affected by their decision, he may appeal to the Circuit Court for Wicomico County, by giving written notice within twenty days from said decision, filed with the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners, of his desire to appeal; and on the filing of said notice, it shall be the duty of the Clerk to deliver the papers connected therewith to the Clerk of said Court, and the same proceedings shall be had on the appeal as in cases of appeal from judgment of Justice of the Peace; provided, nevertheless, that the Board of Commissioners may decline to open, lay out, extend, widen, grade or straighten any street, alley or highway, or any square, waterway or drain, notwithstanding the decision of said Court; but in case of refusal to do so, they shall be liable for all costs incurred, and shall pay the same. All benefits assessed by virtue of the above provisions shall be liens on the respective lots or parcels of ground on which they are assessed, from the time of the final ratification of the aforesaid return. and shall be collected as taxes are collected, or may be collected by action at law. On appeal, the Court or jury may alter the award so returned, whether of damages or benefits, and award costs in its discretion.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 4th, 1914.

## CHAPTER 303.

An Act to correct the rank of Captain Carroll Edgar, Ordnance Department, Maryland National Guard.

WHEREAS, Captain Carroll Edgar, formerly Captain of Company "E," First Maryland Infantry, located at Elkton, Maryland, did remove his residence from said town of Elkton, to Baltimore, Maryland, in the Fall of 1912, and in consequence thereof, resigned as Captain of said Company, and received a "Full and Honorable Discharge," dated January 7th, 1913, and

Whereas, The said Captain Carroll Edgar was appointed Ordnance Officer of the Fifth Infantry, Maryland National Guard, but on account of delay in filing the necessary papers, his Probationary Commission, as Captain, Ordnance Department, was not dated until January 27th, 1913, leaving an interval of twenty days between said "Full and Honorable Discharge," and said Probationay Commission, as Captain, Ordnance Department, Maryland National Guard.