

be appraised, by two disinterested persons, one of whom shall be chosen by each party, and if they cannot agree, they are hereby authorized to choose a third person to decide between them, the said damages to be recovered, before any justice of the peace in and for Allegany county in the same manner as small debts out of court are now recovered. CHAP. 141.

SEC 3. *And be it enacted,* That if either party shall neglect or refuse during the space of five days after notice of such injury to or impounding of such horned or black cattle, sheep or hogs, then the justice of the peace to whom complaint shall be made by the party aggrieved, shall have authority to appoint an appraiser for and on behalf of the party so neglecting or refusing.

Justice to appoint an appraiser.

CHAPTER 141.

*An act for the relief of Joseph Richardson, Clerk of Caroline county court, and for the benefit of all persons concerned in the records of said court, which may have been lost or stolen from the office of the said clerk.* Passed Feb. 17, 1844

WHEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly by the memorial of Joseph Richardson, clerk of Caroline county court, that certain original papers relating to the proceedings in said court have been lost or stolen from the office of the said clerk; and from the loss of said papers great evil may ensue unless prevented by legislation—Therefore, Preamble

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in all cases pending in Caroline county court, and now marked upon the trial docket thereof of March term eighteen hundred and forty-four, and marked on said trial docket with the numbers fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-six and fifty-seven, and so on continuously up to number one hundred eighty-five inclusive, the clerk of said court be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to prepare from the titlings and other memoranda in his possession accurate copies of the original writs which had been filed in said causes and which have been lost or stolen, which said copies he shall file among the papers in his office appertaining to the said several cases respectively, and the said copies when they shall be so filed as aforesaid with the certificate of the said clerk endorsed on each writ respectively, certifying that the same is a Clerk to prepare writs from titlings.