CHAP. 97.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That James Roe, John Campbell, Thomas Jones, George F. Mason, Charles Lane, Bennet Downes, Richard Jarrell, Benjamin Willson, Thomas Clendenning, John McFarlin, Joel Clements, John Thawley, Philemon Skinner, Jonathan Spencer, James S. Baynard, John W. F. Jackson, Thomas Roe, Charles Adums, Marselliers E. Keen, John H. Straughn, William F. Harrison, William F. Jarrell, William R. Keep and James Merrick, and all others the owners of the lands through which the said Long Marsh Ditch passes, and all those persons who shall be deemed benefitted by opening said ditch, as hereinatter will be provided, shall compose a company called the Long Marsh Ditch Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, plend and be impleaded.

Annual meet-

Sign 2. Ind be it enacted, That the said company shall hold their first meeting at the village of Bridgetown, in Caroline county, on the first Saturday in April in the present year, and at such place and such time every year thereafter as the said company may determine, and the said annual meeting may be adjourned from time to time, as occasion may require.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That John B. Thomas and

Commissioners

Samuel Viciers, of Queen Ann county, and John M. Camon, of Caroline county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, and in case of a vacancy or vacancies occurring in said board of commissioners, by reason of refusal to serve, resignation, death, isiqualification or renoval, such vacancy or vacancies, on the application of ofliers of the board of commissioners to the Governor of this State, shall be filled by appointment made by the Governor, said appointment to be from the county from

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Commissioners whence such vacaincy shall have occurred; the duties of duties specified said commissioners shall be, as soon as appointed, to proceed to examine said ditch, and all the lands through which it passes, together with the tributary streams and ditches emptying into said ditch, and shall determine and fix a fair valuation upon all such lands or tracts of land through which the said ditch passes, and shall fix and de-

fix a fair valuation upon all such lands or tracts of land through which the said ditch passes, and shall fix and detentine also, cases where persons own land on each side of said ditch opposite, as said ditch may be the line between such owners; and the said commissioners shall also particularly examine Long Marsh Ditch, all the tributary streams and ditches emptying into said Long Marsh Ditch, and shall also fix and determine whether any or what individual or individuals is or are benefitted by said Long