

tion thereof, by the said court were directed to issue a requisition in favor of the builder of the said bridge, on the collector of Somerset county, for a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, all which appears reference being had the said act, *and whereas*, it has been represented to this General Assembly, that the said commissioners after locating the said bridge, did publish a contract for the building thereof, in the newspaper aforesaid, according to the said act, and on the day named in the said publication, offered the said contract at public auction, having first altered the same in some slight particular, and Alexander Donoho, of said county became the lowest bidder therefor, and the purchaser thereof, and the said commissioners reported the said contract so as aforesaid, purchased by the said Alexander, to the levy court of the said county, and the said Alexander in pursuance of the said act, entered into bond with Security to the said levy court, for the building of the said bridge, *and whereas*, it has been represented that the said Alexander hath completed said bridge, but the said levy court have wholly failed and refused to issue their requisition in favour of the said Alexander, on the collector of the said county, for the price of building said bridge, *and whereas*, disputes have arisen between the said levy court, and the said Alexander in reference to the matters hereinbefore detailed, and the said Alexander has been advised that he is without remedy, except by the interposition of the General Assembly, *and whereas*, at the present session of the General Assembly, the said levy court of Somerset county has been abolished, and a corporation called Commissioners of the county, has been substituted in its place, *and whereas*, it is the opinion of this General Assembly that the said Alexander Donoho should be paid for the building of said bridge, such sum as he is in equity, and good conscience entitled to:—Therefore for the purpose of doing justice between the parties.

SECTION. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That upon the petition in writing of Alexander Donoho, to the judges of Somerset county court, it shall be the duty of the said judges as speedily as possible to hear, consider and determine all disputes

Commissioners shall duly examine