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the said town, respectively, a reasonable allowance for their services, to be rated by the said commissioners on the property aforesaid, by equal assessments; and generally to order and promote such regulations and improvements for the benefit and advantage of the said town, as the said commissioners or the inhabitants thereof shall determine to be necessary.

Persons ag-
grieved may ap-
peal to com-
missioners.

8. AND BE IT ENACTED, That any person or persons who may think him, her or themselves aggrieved by the valuation of the said assessor, may, at any time within six weeks after the completion and return of such assessment, appeal to the said commissioners, who may thereupon, and in all cases where they shall judge the valuation of such assessor to be unequal, make such alteration therein as to them shall seem just and reasonable.

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9. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the bailiff of the said town shall be appointed annually on the first Monday in May; and before he shall proceed to execute his office, he shall take an oath or affirmation before the said commissioners, or any one of them, that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties required of him as bailiff of the said town by this act, according to the best of his skill and judgment, and without favor, affection or prejudice; and the duties of the said bailiff shall be, to attend the meetings of the said commissioners whenever he shall be required; to perform such services for more effectually accomplishing the objects of this act, as shall be directed by the said commissioners; to prevent the tumultuous and irregular meeting of slaves, negroes and other dissolute and disorderly persons, within the limits of the said town, or if so assembled, to disperse them by reasonable and lawful means, and to punish with moderate correction, under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the said commissioners, all such negro and other slaves as shall be found wandering or strolling about the streets in the night time, or frequenting the houses of other persons in the said town, without the permission or consent of their masters, mistresses or overseers.

Limits of said
town.

10. AND BE IT ENACTED, That for the purposes of this act, the limits of the said town shall be as follow: Beginning at the mills called Polk's mills, thence running with a road leading therefrom east-