

CHAPTER 137.

Passed AN ACT to incorporate the village of Bladensburg, in
Mar. 9, 1854. Prince George's county.

Preamble. WHEREAS, it is represented to this General Assembly, That it would greatly contribute to the advantage and improvement of the village of Bladensburg, in Prince George's county, if the same should be placed under the care and regulation of certain commissioners, to be elected by the citizens thereof, and vested with sufficient powers to forward and effect the purposes intended; Therefore,

Incorporated. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the citizens of the village of Bladensburg, in Prince George's county, shall be, and they are hereby constituted and made a body corporate, by the name of the President and Commissioners of the Village of Bladensburg, and as such shall have succession, and by their corporate name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, grant, receive and do all other acts as natural persons, and may purchase and hold real and personal and mixed property, or dispose of the same for the benefit of the said village, and have and use a common seal, which may be changed at pleasure.

Election of commissioners. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That all free white male citizens of the village of Bladensburg, aforesaid, above twenty-one years of age, who shall have resided in said village for the space of four months, and twelve months in the State, next preceding the election, shall, on the first Monday in June next, at the primary school house in said village, and on the first Monday in June in each and every year thereafter, at such house as shall hereafter be designated, as the town hall, by the said municipality, be authorised to elect five discreet persons commissioners for the said village, and who shall have resided within the limits of said village for at least twelve months next preceding the election.

Magistrates to be judges of election. SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That any justice of the peace for the county aforesaid, shall in the first instance, be the judge of the said election, who shall open the polls at twelve o'clock, M., and close the same at six o'clock of the same day, and shall return his certificate of the persons elected to the said commissioners on the day first appointed for their meeting, and the same shall be filed and recorded among their proceedings.