

Add the following section:

And be it enacted, That if the owner or owners of the land required by the provisions of this act, for the public road or landing therein mentioned, shall not be satisfied with the amount of damages ascertained by the commissioners aforesaid, or be a minor, feme covert or non compos, it shall be the duty of said commissioners, to apply in writing, to some justice of the peace for the county in which said lands lie, stating the facts; and the said justice shall thereupon issue his warrant to the sheriff of the county aforesaid, to summon a jury of twelve freeholders of said county, not in any way interested in the road or landing, or connected with owners or commissioners, to meet on the land required, at some day not less than twenty days from the date of said warrant, and summon also the guardian, committee or husband of the owner to appear if he deem fit; and the said sheriff on the day of return of said warrant, shall administer an oath or affirmation to said jurors on the premises, "well and truly to appraise the value of said land and damages which the owner or owners may sustain by the establishment of said landing or opening of said road" and the inquisition of said jury, under their hands and seals and the seal of said sheriff, shall be returned to the clerk of the county court of said county to be ratified or set aside, as to the court may seem fit; and when the said inquisition shall be ratified, it shall be the duty of the levy court aforesaid, to levy the amount of damages and costs on the said county, for the use of the owner or owners; and if the said county court shall set aside the said inquisition, they shall order another to be made, and returned and ratified as aforesaid: whereupon the said levy court shall levy the amount of the same and costs of the proceedings as aforesaid; and in no case shall the levy court assess the damages ascertained by the commissioners, unless the owner or owners assent in writing to the same.

The bill was then read the second and by special order the third time; passed and returned to the house of delegates.

On motion of Mr. Bruce,

The bill entitled, an act to guard against fraud in the exercise of the elective franchise, and to secure the rights of voters in the city of Baltimore, and to establish with greater certainty the rules of evidence to be observed at all elections in said city, was being read the third time by special order, when

Mr. Bowie moved to strike out the 31st section.

The question was put and determined in the negative.

The bill was then read through, passed and sent to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following message,

By the House of Delegates,

March 21, 1838.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We respectfully ask your honorable body to reconsider the reso-