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Commission-
ers to be ap-
pointed, &c.

VI. **And be it enacted,** That the president and directors be and they are hereby authorized to appoint three commissioners, neither of whom shall be directly or indirectly interested in any of the lands through which the said roads may or shall pass, and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall lay out and make a public road from Ritter's-town towards Hanover-town to the line of Baltimore county, on as straight a line as the nature of the country and public convenience will admit; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall, in like manner, lay out and mark a public road from Ritter's-town aforesaid to the town of Westminster, from Westminster to Taney-town, from Taney-town to Emmitsburgh, from Emmitsburgh to the Pennsylvania line; provided, that the said roads, or either of them, shall not be carried through any buildings, garden or yard, without the consent of the owner and possessor thereof; and provided also, that the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall locate the road from the line of Baltimore county, through Westminster-town, Taney-town, Emmitsburgh, to the Pennsylvania line, in the manner the same has been heretofore located, cleared and confirmed, by the justices of Frederick county court, unless they, or a majority of them, shall in their judgment and opinion think it necessary to straighten and amend the same; and the president and directors shall pay and satisfy, out of the monies of the said company, all reasonable costs and charges incurred by the said commissioners in laying out and marking the aforesaid roads.

Who shall
take an oath,
&c.

VII. **And be it enacted,** That the said commissioners, before they proceed to the execution of the powers vested in them by this act, shall take the following oath, or affirmation: "I, A. B. appointed a commissioner to lay out and mark a public road from Ritter's-town, by virtue of an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company for making several turnpike roads through Baltimore and Frederick counties, until they intersect the divisional line between Maryland and Pennsylvania, do swear, or affirm, that I will lay out and mark the same according to the best of my skill and judgment, and according to the directions of the said act; and I do further swear, or affirm, that I am not interested in any lands through which the said roads are likely to pass."

And return
the courses,
&c.

VIII. **And be it enacted,** That the commissioners aforesaid, after they shall have laid out and marked the said roads, are hereby directed to return the courses, bounds and plots thereof, to the clerk of Baltimore county court, and a duplicate thereof to the clerk of Frederick county court, to be by them recorded at the expence of the said body corporate; and that the said roads, so laid out and returned as aforesaid, shall be for ever thereafter taken, held and adjudged, public roads and common highways.

President, &c.
may agree
with persons,
&c.

IX. **And be it enacted,** That the said president and directors, and their successors, or a majority of them, assembled, shall have full power and authority, from time to time, to agree with and employ any person or persons, on behalf of the said company, to grub, clear, stone and make said roads sixty-six feet in breadth, in the manner hereafter directed, and to do all other things for the completion of said roads in the manner required by this act; and that the president and directors may establish rules and regulations for conducting the business of the corporation, and appoint the various officers and labourers, and pay all expences, which they may find necessary.

Sums sub-
scribed to be
paid to the
directors, &c.

X. **And be it enacted,** That the sums so subscribed before the said directors shall be appointed as aforesaid, shall be paid to the directors as follows, to wit: One fourth thereof at the end of one month after the election of the directors, one fourth at the end of one year after the election of the directors, one fourth at the end of eighteen months after the election of the directors, and the residue at the end of two years after the election of the directors; and that all subscriptions which shall be so made, after the election of such directors, shall be paid in such manner, and in such proportions, as the said directors shall from time to time order and direct; provided nevertheless, that the directors for the time being may, in their discretion, suspend, or totally release, the payments of any part