

ty of them, to support and maintain the expences which may at any time be incurred in the improvement of said Village.

10. *And be it enacted*, That the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, shall have full power to make all such bye-laws, regulations and ordinances, not inconsistent with the laws and constitution of this state, as from time to time they may deem wise, equitable, and expedient for the comfort, health, convenience and prosperity of the said Village and its inhabitants, for the prevention or removal of nuisances, preservation of health, and suppression of vice and immorality within the limits of the said Village, and shall have power to lay an equal tax on the property within the limits of said Village, to such amount as may from time to time be deemed necessary to accomplish the purpose aforesaid, which tax shall be collected and paid to the President and Commissioners by the collector by them appointed, who shall have the same power to destrain therefor as the collector of the public county assessment had to destrain for the same, and that the said President and Commissioners shall fix the term of office, responsibility and compensation of such collector.

11. *And be it enacted*, That the said Commissioners, or a majority of them shall have full power and authority annually to appoint a bailiff, whose duty it shall be to preserve the peace and good order of said Village, and for this purpose he is hereby invested with the same power and authority as any Constable may now have under the laws of this state.

Dec.Ses. 1823

Powers granted.

Bailiff.

CHAPTER 175.

An act to provide for making the Baltimore Canal.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners appointed in pursuance of a Resolution, passed at December session, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-two, which directed that they, or a majority of them, should lay out and survey a route for a Canal, which should connect the waters of the Susquehanna with the city of Baltimore, beginning at the Conewago Falls, or on a point of said river, which the Commissioners should deem the most practicable; and who were also directed to lay out and survey a route for a Canal from the same point on the Susquehanna, or Conewago Falls to the head of tide water on the Susquehanna, have by their report to this General Assembly, shewn that it is entirely practicable to make a Canal from the head of the Conewago Falls, on the Susquehanna River, passing down along the right margin thereof, to the vicinity of Havre-de-Grace, where a communication may be opened with the tide of that River, and thence to the city of Baltimore; and considering the very great amount of inland commerce which the proposed Canal will be the means of laying open and bringing into the city of Baltimore and the whole state, this assembly are deeply impressed with its great importance and utility, and it being represented to this Assembly that the people of the city of Baltimore are willing to take upon themselves the risk and expense of executing this great work, so far as it has been located within the state of Maryland, provided all right thereto shall be vested in them, and that they shall have and enjoy all the benefits to be derived therefrom, together with the privileges and immunities herein after expressed, and that there may be no delay in the making of this highly important proposed Canal, nor any burthens imposed on this state for its accomplishment—Therefore,

Passed Feb.
23, 1824.
Preamble.