

the damages which will be caused, or the benefits which will accrue by the construction of the aforesaid works of improvement; and to secure to every owner or possessor of any property, or right to property, which the said mayor and city council thus proposes to acquire, or which may be thus decided to be damaged or benefitted, the right, on application within a time to be prescribed by any ordinance of said mayor and city council, to have decided by a jury trial, the true value of the property proposed to be acquired for the purposes aforesaid, and whether any and what damage will be caused, or any, and what benefit will accrue to the owner or possessor of the property so assessed for damages and benefits respectively; and further to provide for collecting and paying over the amount of compensation adjudged to each person entitled or investing it in stock of the said corporation, bearing not less than five per cent. interest for the use of the person so adjudged to be entitled to the same; and to provide for the collection by sale of the property assessed, or otherwise, of all sums assessed as benefits as aforesaid; and generally to enact and pass all ordinances, from time to time, which shall be deemed necessary and proper to exercise the powers, and effect the objects, for the exercise and accomplishment of which this act is passed.

970. The mayor and city council of Baltimore is authorized and empowered to define and locate the limits of Jones' Falls within the city of Baltimore, and to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, under proceedings for which provision is made in the second section of this act, the absolute and exclusive right and title to all the land and rights of property embraced within the said limits; and in the ground covered by all the streets or avenues which the said mayor and city council shall lay out and condemn on the sides of said stream, the said mayor and city council of Baltimore shall have an estate in fee simple; and the said mayor and city council of Baltimore shall have power, and is authorized, to construct wharves or quays

*Ibid.* s. 3.  
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