

be equitable and promotive of the public convenience, provided however, that the cost of lighting such lamps shall in no event exceed the cost of lighting them with oil at the time of making such contract, and provided also, that the said contract shall not be made for a longer period than one year.

II. And be it enacted and Ordained, That so much of the Ordinance to which this is a Supplement, and so much of an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance to provide for more effectually lighting the Streets, Lanes and Alleys of the City of Baltimore," as is inconsistent with and Contrary to the provisions of this Supplement be and the same is hereby Repealed.

Approved, March 10th 1820

Edward Johnson Mayor.

An Ordinance for the Improvement of the Cove.

Whereas the proprietors of property binding on Milkes Street, Bond, Thames and Queen Streets, and extending into the water from the East line of Starpa Street to Point Street are desirous of contracting with the City Authority to fill their respective lots or pieces of ground as aforesaid for the purpose of removing the nuisance.

1. Be it enacted and Ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the City Commissioners and Wardens of the port, with the approbation of the Mayor, be and they are hereby authorized to contract with the proprietor or proprietors of property in the aforesaid Cove to fill up their lots as far into the water as the Board of Health may deem necessary, with sand taken from Sone's Falls, at fifty cents per scow load. - Provided as much sand can be obtained from said falls as may be necessary to complete the work: but should the quantity of sand prove insufficient then the contract to cease and be null and void, the owners of the property paying for as much work as shall then be done.

II. And be it enacted and Ordained, That in the event of an application from the proprietors of the above mentioned property to the City Commissioners

and Wardens of the port, to make a new contract for filling up their property, that they be authorized to make a new one upon such terms as will indemnify the City for the actual cost thereof.

Provided, however, the aforesaid Contract or Contracts reserved to the Corporation the right of filling up the remainder of said Cove, whenever the future interests of the City, in the opinion of the Corporation shall require the same.

III. And be it further enacted and Ordained, That in case any owner or owners of the property above mentioned be unable to pay the expence of filling up the same, or should such Owner be a minor, having no Guardian, or if having a Guardian, such Guardian shall neglect or refuse to pay the Expence of filling up the property of such minor or minors, that it shall be the duty of the City Commissioners and Wardens of the Port, to require from such Owner, if not a minor, a deed to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, conveying to them a fee simple interest, if such Owner had a fee simple Estate, or a leasehold interest, if such Owner had only a leasehold interest therein for such portions of the property of such Owner, so to be filled up, not less than one half thereof, as shall be agreed upon by and between the Owner of such property and the City Commissioners and Wardens of the Port, prior to commencing the filling up of the property, of such owner, and in case the owner be a minor having no guardian or having a guardian, in case such Guardian shall neglect or refuse to pay the expence of filling up the Lot of such minor, then and in that case the expence of filling up such property of such minor, shall be a tax to be levied by the City Commissioners and Wardens of the Port, on the property so to be filled up, and a lien thereon, until the sum aforesaid be paid, with interest from the time of such assessment:

IV. And be it enacted and Ordained, That in case of the neglect or refusal of any proprietor or proprietors of the property aforesaid to contract with the City Commissioners and Wardens of the port as aforesaid, the aforesaid Commissioners with the approbation of the Mayor, shall proceed to fill up the same and the expence of filling up the said Lots shall be a tax to be levied by the City Commissioners on the property so to be filled up and a lien thereon until the sums aforesaid be paid with interest from the time of such assessment, and such proprietor or proprietors shall be also liable to any act and debt or expence for the amount of the expence incurred in filling up the property of such proprietor or proprietors.

V. And be it enacted and Ordained, That the City Commissioners and Wardens of the port, shall on the first Monday of January Eighteen hundred and twenty four, and on