

for reclaiming and filling in when lands are low and wet, or overflowed altogether or at times, and entirely or partly; for city buildings, waterworks, pounds or other corporation purposes; for the abatement of any existing nuisances; for the promotion of proper sanitary measures; for the use of water pipes and for sewerage and drainage purposes, and the absolute fee simple title to all lands so taken and acquired shall vest in the city.

SEC. 147. The mode of exercising the right of eminent domain aforesaid, shall be as follows, to-wit: The Board of Public Works, in the name of the city, shall cause to be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Duval county a petition to be addressed to the Judge of said court, signed and sworn to by the chairman of said board or the attorney of the corporation, which shall contain a description and designate the location of the land sought to be appropriated, and state for what purpose and for what reasons such land should be acquired, that it is expedient, or desirable or necessary for some one of the uses above set forth that the city should acquire such land, that the city has made a survey and map thereof by which the boundaries are designated, and that it intends in good faith the appropriation to be made for the purpose named, that in case it has been prevented or finds it impracticable to survey and plat the land, such facts recited in the petition will relieve the corporation of that necessity; said petition shall also state the name or names of the party or parties in possession of such land, and the name or names of those who own, or claim to own, the same; Provided, The said owners or claimants are known to petitioner, and if any such persons are infants, their ages, as near as may be, must be stated, or if idiots or of unsound mind, or unknown, such fact must be stated, and where known, the place or residence of owner or owners.

Mode of exercising right of eminent domain. Sec. 3. Ch. 3953.

Infants and persons of unsound mind.

SEC. 148. On the presentation of such petition to the Judge of the Circuit Court aforesaid, he shall appoint some disinterested resident freeholder to be the guardian of each of such infants, idiots or persons of unsound mind, for the purposes of such proceedings, and thereupon shall make an order directed to the Sheriff or other officer qualified to serve process, to summon twelve disinterested freeholders, registered voters of the city, as a jury, to meet at a time and place to be named in such order, not more than seven days from the day of the service of said order, to proceed to organize and take steps to appraise and determine the damage the owner or owners will sustain in consequence of said appropriation, on their oaths well and truly so to do, to be administered by any officer authorized to administer oaths, and to fix

Guardian of infants. Sec. 4. Ch. 3953.

Jury.

Oath.