

The Person appointed to carry the land through which a road is proposed to be opened upon the Petition of Samuel B. Jones, and to report the same, has had the honor to do so, and will result as well to the Public as to individuals, if the case is so that he should be allowed to prepare the day make their report in the words and figures following to wit -

"The Commission appointed by two orders of the honorable House of Representatives, the first bearing date the 1st June 1816, for the purpose of viewing the grounds along which a road is proposed to run, commencing at the Philipps road near Frederick City, and the swampy tract, through the length of the Plantation to the road leading to Springfield, and so to distant the Commission and recommendations which will result as well to individuals as to the Public, if such way shall be opened, being duly qualified, by leave to make the following report. The Commission at the Petition of the said Jones, and proceeds along the line, here between the lands of John Jones and George Jones, to the swampy tract, nearly an east course, through the swamp, following the same course, at the place of George Jones, thence through the Plantation of John Weymouth and Richard Blow to the Smiths field road. In our opinion the best route thence by a Mill, be very nearly straight. The section, from its commencement to its termination, about north 60 degrees east its distance about 5 miles, viz to the Swamp 1/2 mile, through it, not an 1/4, and the remainder between 3 and 5 miles. The road will not keep over low angles, and it, and there not very steep, with the exception of two or three slight hills, but will run over a fine level and the surface, the clearing will be in the corolla (except the Swamp) that its surface is tolerably smooth, because to be intended. It will nearly be all cut through the fields, that have but a small then growth on them, the remainder will be through fields already cleared and a straight course, which will compose a part of the road of two miles length, and only require small pieces. We have reason to calculate on any of distance in the road, the road will, from the Public spirit liberality of the proprietors who appear to be desirous to furnish many hands to work its completion, the price and labor will be chiefly required on the Swamp. And it would be hardly possible, from the imaginary cost, for a Central examination of the selecta Petition for the way and bridge. (We think it admirably adapted to the object. One bridge across the swamp, which will not be less than 1000 yards long and two very small ones, with the 5 mile road, one more considerable Buttrick, and no such) about 5 years in length will suffice, the balance of the swamp will require 2 or 3 more small ones that the ways, ensuring the whole perfect for a Public road way. We are of opinion that no individual injury can accrue to any other Person than John Weymouth, and Richard Blow. They having consented that the road may pass through their lands, the single obstacle is removed, and no Private measurement sustained. On the other hand, will at a Place where the Commission the road will be, by calling to mind the way existing road, the neighborhood are compelled to take in going to Springfield or Norfolk independent of neighbors and interests, which would be very considerable if practicable. We are also of opinion that from the straightness of the direction, its consequent diminution of the distance, and the facility of the road, from its passing over level high land, it will be of great Public advantage - So largely will the balance of our own, and as respects our remaining duty, we have only now to state as our sacred opinion, that the Public will sustain no measurement whatever from opening this road. Where we take into consideration the advantage it may be sustained by the Public in by measurement, and that in any measurement can be sustained by the Public in by measurement, we cannot but be, without manifestly recommending it to your worship, as an undertaking worthy of our Country and consistent with the liberal spirit of improvement, which now pervades our State - George Blow, William Briggs, John Jones & whenever it is shown that the several Persons through whose lands the case