

limited a scale, in consequence of the insufficiency of the laws now in force to provide for an improvement of such importance, and have prayed that a law be passed to enable them to proceed with the said works; and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition: Be it therefore enacted, &c. &c.

Ten proprietors interested may call a meeting, and the proprietors present at such meeting may elect Commissioners for deepening the River, &c.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That at any time within months from the date of the passing of this Act, on a requisition signed by at least ten proprietors of lands in the parishes above mentioned, interested in the said canal or water course, such requisition being published and posted up in both languages at the church doors of the said parishes after morning service, on two consecutive Sundays, the inhabitants of the said parishes interested in the said Works, that is to say: the proprietors of lands in shall meet on the day and at the place mentioned in the said requisition, (with power to any ten of them to adjourn or to call another meeting in case at least fifty proprietors be not assembled to elect Commissioners as herein- after provided,) and a majority of proprietors present at such meeting or at any adjourned or subsequent meeting, shall elect from among themselves twelve Commissioners, whose duty it shall be to proceed with the works mentioned in the Preamble to this Act, in the manner hereinafter mentioned, and who for the purposes of this Act are hereby authorized to sue and be sued under the name of "*The Commissioners of the River du Chêne Canal*," without otherwise naming them or any of them.

Commissioners to elect a President and Secretary.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Commissioners shall elect from among themselves a President, and shall also appoint from among themselves or the other interested parties, a Secretary-Treasurer, who shall be paid a reasonable salary at the discretion of the Commissioners, and shall