

respect, to all such limitations, conditions and incumbrances, as their former estate and interest were subject to, and as if the same had been actually reconveyed pursuant to the said deed in trust.

See 1793, ch. 58, sec. 3.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That where the proprietor or proprietors, possessor or possessors, of any lands within the limits of the city of Washington, or within the limits of Carrollsburgh or Hamburgh, who have not already, or who shall not, within three months after the passage of this act, execute deeds in trust to the aforesaid Thomas Beall and John M. Gantt, of all their lands within the limits of the said city of Washington, and on the terms and conditions mentioned in the deeds already executed by Notley Young, and others, and execute deeds in trust to the said Thomas Beall and John M. Gantt, of all their lots in the towns of Carrollsburgh and Hamburgh, on the same terms and conditions contained in the deeds already executed by the greater part of the proprietors of lots in the said towns, the said commissioners, or any two of them, shall and may, at any time or times thereafter, issue a process, directed to the sheriff of Prince George's county, commanding him, in the name of the state, to summon five good substantial freeholders, who are not of kin to any proprietor or proprietors of the lands aforesaid, and who are not proprietors themselves, to meet on a certain day, and at a certain place, within the limits of the said city, to inquire of the value of the estate of such proprietor or proprietors, possessor or possessors, on which day and place the said sheriff shall attend, with the freeholders by him summoned; which freeholders shall take the following oath, or affirmation, on the land to be by them valued, to wit: 'I, A. B. do solemnly swear, (or affirm,) that I will, to the best of my judgment, value the lands of C. D. now to be valued, so as to do equal right and justice to the said C. D. and to the public, taking into consideration all circumstances,' and shall then proceed to value the said lands; and such valuation, under their hands and seals, and under the hand and seal of the said sheriff, shall be annexed to the said process, and returned by the sheriff to the clerk appointed by virtue of this act, who shall make record of the same, and the said lands shall, on the payment of such valuation, be and is hereby vested in the said commissioners in trust, to be disposed of by them, or otherwise employed to the use of the said city of Washington; and the sheriff aforesaid, and freeholders aforesaid, shall be allowed the same fees for their trouble as are allowed to a sheriff and jurymen in executing a writ of inquiry; and in all cases where the proprietor or possessor is tenant in right of dower, or by the courtesy, the

Commissioners, in certain cases, may issue process, &c.