

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

has elapsed since the date of warrant, and nothing herein contained shall prevent any person from obtaining a proclamation warrant on such certificate as fully as if this section had not been enacted. If the amount involved does not justify in proceeding as above, the Commissioner, after giving at least two months' notice in writing to the owner of the certificate of the amount due thereon for fees and composition money, and the same is not paid within two months after such notice, then such certificate may be vacated and annulled, and the vacant land included in such certificate may be taken up by anyone in the same manner as other vacant land. If, however, the said notice is returned unserved by reason of the owner of the certificate not being found by the sheriff of the county where the vacant land embraced in said certificate is situated or where the owner resides, or is dead, or for any other cause the said notice cannot be served, the Commissioner of the Land Office may then give at least four weeks' notice in some newspaper printed and published in the county where the land lies, that the examiner's fee and composition money is not paid as provided in the notice aforesaid; the Land Commissioner may, after the expiration of two months from the date of the last publication of said notice, the examining fee and composition money still remaining unpaid, vacate and annul such certificate, and the land included in such certificate may be taken up by anyone in the same manner as other vacant land. And the costs of issuing any such notice, service or advertisement, shall be paid by the owner of such certificate, and if dead, be a preferred claim against the decedent's estate, if the said estate is not finally administered; and such costs shall be collected by the sheriffs of the several counties and Baltimore City, as fees of the Land Office are collected.

Manner of collecting costs.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1904.

 CHAPTER 571.

AN ACT to amend the charter of Kee Mar College of Washington County, Maryland, a corporation duly incorporated under the General Laws of Maryland, by changing its corporate name and adding to the corporate powers thereof.