

An. Code, sec. 15. 1904, sec. 15. 1888, sec. 15. 1792, ch. 15, sec. 4.

15. All warrants taken out for the purpose of taking up land under the preceding section shall be directed to the county surveyor of any adjoining county who, before he executes the same, shall take the following oath to be endorsed on the warrant, to wit: "I, A. B., do swear that I will well and truly execute this warrant to the best of my skill and judgment, without favor, affection or partiality."

An. Code, sec. 16. 1904, sec. 16. 1888, sec. 16. 1787, ch. 9, sec. 4.

16. If in any cause, plots made under the order of the court are not returned from the neglect of the surveyor, the court may order him to pay the costs of the term and may impose on him such fine as the circumstances of the case may require.

Ordinarily surveyors' fees are part of the costs to be taxed in the case. *Andrews v. Scotton*, 2 Bl. 629.

As to fees chargeable by surveyors, see art. 36, sec. 32.

An. Code, sec. 17. 1904, sec. 17. 1888, sec. 17. 1779, ch. 25, sec. 12.

17. If a surveyor shall return a certificate for the examination of the commissioner of the land office and the same shall be found by him to be erroneous, the party for whose use the survey was made shall not pay any fees to the commissioner or surveyor on such erroneous certificate, but the surveyor shall pay to the commissioner of the land office one-third the usual fees thereon.

An. Code, sec. 18. 1904, sec. 18. 1888, sec. 18. 1781, ch. 20, sec. 14.

18. No surveyor shall mention any boundary in his certificate of any survey, unless he shall actually run and measure the distance to such boundary and the boundaries by him returned shall be at the end of the line as expressed and his certificate shall not contain more land than certified by him therein.

State Geological and Economic Survey.¹

An. Code, sec. 19. 1904, sec. 19. 1896, ch. 51, sec. 1. 1922, ch. 29, sec. 19 (p. 58).

19. There is established a state geological and economic survey, which shall be under the direction of the Regents of the University of Maryland, who shall have general charge of the survey and shall appoint as superintendent of the same a geologist of established reputation, and, upon his nomination, such assistants and employees as they may deem necessary; and they shall also determine the compensation of all persons employed by the survey, subject to the provisions of the Budget, and may remove them at pleasure. There is also established a State Geological and Economic Survey Advisory Commission, composed of the President of the Johns Hopkins University and two other members, appointed by the Governor biennially, except that the two members first appointed under this Act shall be appointed on January 1, 1923, and hold office until the

¹ Under art. 41, sec. 103, all the powers, duties, etc., of the Geological and Economic Survey vest in the Regents of the University of Md.