

An. Code, sec. 17. 1904, sec. 17. 1888, sec. 17. 1874, ch. 395, sec. 13.

17. Jurisdiction is hereby ceded to the United States over such lands as shall be condemned as aforesaid for their use for public purposes, as soon as the same shall be condemned, under the sanction of the general assembly of this State hereinbefore given to said condemnation; provided, always, that this State shall retain concurrent jurisdiction with the United State in and over all lands condemned under the provisions of this article, so far as that all processes, civil and criminal, issuing under the authority of this State, or any of the courts or judicial officers thereof, may be executed on the premises so condemned, and in any building erected or to be erected thereon, in the same way and manner as if this article had not been passed; and exclusive jurisdiction shall revert to and revest in the State whenever the said premises shall cease to be owned by the United States and used for some of the purposes mentioned in this article.

An. Code, sec. 18. 1904, sec. 18. 1888, sec. 18. 1874, ch. 395, sec. 14.

18. All the lands that may be condemned under the provisions of this article, and the buildings and improvements erected or to be erected thereon, and the personal property of the United States, and of the officers thereof, when upon said land, shall be exonerated and exempted from taxation for state and county purposes, so long as the said land shall continue to be owned by the United States and used for any of the purposes specified in this article, and no longer.

An. Code, sec. 19. 1904, sec. 19. 1900, ch. 67, sec. 19.

19. The consent of the State is given to the purchase by the government of the United States, or under the authority of the same, from any individual or individuals, bodies politic or corporate, of any tract, piece or parcel of land within the boundaries or limits of the State for the purpose of erecting thereon forts, magazines, arsenals, coast defences or other fortifications of the United States, or for the purpose of erecting thereon barracks, quarters and other needful buildings for the use of garrisons required to man such forts, magazines, arsenals, coast defences or fortifications; and all deeds and title papers for the same shall be recorded as in other cases upon the land records of the county in which the land so conveyed may be; the consent herein given being in accordance with the seventeenth clause of the eighth section of the first article of the constitution of the United States and with the acts of congress in such cases made and provided.

An. Code, sec. 20. 1904, sec. 20. 1900, ch. 67, sec. 20.

20. Whenever the United States are unable to agree with the owners of the land described in section 19 of this article as to the purposes and for the purchase thereof, or if the owners for any cause are incapable of making a perfect title to the said land, the United States may institute proceedings for the condemnation of the said land for the use and benefit of the United States in the circuit court of the State for the county where the land lies, or in the superior court of Baltimore city if the land lies in said city, and