

ment warning all persons interested in the property sold to be and appear in said Court by a certain day to be named in said order, to show cause, if any they have, why said sale should not be ratified and confirmed; and after hearing the objections, if any, the Court in its discretion shall in one order ratify and confirm all sales so made and then entitled to be ratified and confirmed, and the purchaser or purchasers thereof shall, on payment of the purchase money, have a good title to the property sold; but if in the judgment of the Court, good cause be shown against the ratification of the sale of any parcel of land or other property so sold, the said sale shall be set aside as to such parcel or property; in which case the said treasurer shall within thirty days proceed to a new sale of said property and bring the proceeds into Court, out of which shall be repaid the purchase money paid to the treasurer on said rejected sale, and all taxes assessed on said property since said sale, and all costs and expenses properly incurred in said Court, with interest on all such sums from the time of payment; but such sale shall not be set aside if the provisions of law shall appear to have been substantially complied with, and the burden of proof shall be on the exceptant to show the same to be invalid; and for the purpose of making a just distribution of the proceeds of any sale ratified and confirmed, the said Court may pass all such other or subsequent orders as may be just and equitable, and shall have as full and complete jurisdiction as though it were sitting as a Court of Equity.

*Shanahan v. Maulsby*, 129 Md. 494.

1916, ch. 680, sec. 479.

**480.** After the expiration of twelve calendar months from the date of such sale, provided the same has been finally ratified by the Court, the treasurer then in office shall by good and sufficient deed duly executed and acknowledged according to law, convey to the purchaser or purchasers the parcels of land sold to them respectively, and the deed of the successor in office of the treasurer who made such sale shall be as good and valid in law as though it had been executed and delivered by the said last-named treasurer.

1916, ch. 680, sec. 480.

**481.** Whenever real estate shall be sold by the treasurer the owner thereof prior to the sale, his or her heirs, may redeem the same by paying into Court to be paid to the purchaser thereof, within the period of twenty-four calendar months from the date of such sale, the amount of the purchase money and all subsequent taxes paid by the purchaser, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per centum from the date of sale, and the date of such payment of taxes, respectively.

1916, ch. 680, sec. 481.

**482.** The County Commissioners of Harford County are hereby authorized and empowered in their discretion to purchase any property for sale for the payment of taxes; provided they shall not bid a sum greater