which was designed and intended to be vested by the original paper or instrument of writing, and record thereof, as fully and effectually as if the record had not been destroyed by fire.

- 13. In all cases where the records have been only partially destroyed or injured by fire so that they may be restored by their own intrinsic evidence, or by the aid of other evidence accessible to the said commissioners, it shall be the duty of the said commissioners to cause the said records to be restored to their original condition, and to be recorded anew by the clerk of the Circuit Court for said county, accompanied by a certificate to that effect, and for the purpose of preserving the said records as continuously together as they were before burnt, the said commissioners are hereby authorized, if they see fit, to cause the binding of any of the record books to be renewed so that the folios may be separated, the burnt portions detached, and the new record thereof and correspondent thereto, be substituted in the place of said burnt part, and to have the said record book, thus restored to its original condition, rebound, and a certificate to that effect recorded therein.
- 14. In all cases wherein process may be issued to summon parties before the commissioners which shall be returned non est, no final order shall be passed in the premises until public notice shall have been first given in some one of the newspapers published in said county, once a week, for at least three weeks, and no order shall be passed upon any record or paper alleged to be destroyed or injured by fire which shall in anywise have the effect to impair or interfere with the rights of third parties not appearing to or contesting any issue before the said commissioners, and any party to any issue or examination had before said commissioners, shall have the right, at any time within thirty days, of appeal from any order passed by them to the Circuit judge for said county, and the said commissioners shall be and they are hereby required to carry into effect the order of the said judge in the premises.
- 15. When any docket shall have been wholly or partially destroyed by fire, the said commissioners shall cause the same to