

credit of the fund authorized and appropriated by the provisions of this act.

143. The said commissioner shall adopt such measures as he may deem most expedient and proper to fully inform the public of the fact and object of his appointment, and as will notify and request all persons who have been or are at present interested in the title to any lands in Baltimore county, to examine their title papers and ascertain if they have any original deeds, mortgages, bills of sale or other papers or instruments of writing which have been recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for said county and the record of which has either been wholly or partially destroyed by fire; and the said commissioner may arrange for the time and places of his sitting for the transaction of the business of the commission as in his judgment he may deem best; *provided*, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of said county and they are hereby required to provide the said commissioner with a room in the court house in Towson-town to facilitate him in the transaction of the business of the commission.

Ibid. s. 4.
To notify public to produce deeds, &c.

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144. In all cases where, in the judgment of the commissioner appointed by this act, any record in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for said county shall have been so burnt or defaced as to be wholly destroyed by fire, and the general index or the index to such record, may supply the titling to such record, he shall take and accept such index as auxiliary evidence, and shall, if any original paper or a certified copy thereof, properly evidenced as of record be produced, order and direct such original paper or copy, as the case may be, to be recorded anew; and shall endorse such order on said paper, which endorsement and new record of such paper shall be *prima facie* evidence of the verity of the record so made and available for all purposes for which the original record if it had not been destroyed by fire would have been available in evidence.

Ibid s. 5.
Destroyed or defaced records.