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| Should defendant fail to appear and plead, judgment shall be entered for claimant and amount of claim ascertained as in other cases | 63 | 34 | 987 |
| Judgment may be enforced by execution. | 63 | 35 | 988 |
| Court, for good cause shown, may permit claimant to dismiss his <i>sci. fa.</i> without prejudice. | 63 | 35 | 988 |
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| Court, on motion of party interested, may require claimant to prosecute the claim. | 63 | 37 | 988 |
| Lien to be good for five years from the date of filing. | 63 | 38 | 988 |
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| Claimant to file sworn statement of his claim within six months, with the clerk of the circuit court for the county, or superior court of Baltimore city. | 63 | 45 | 990 |
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