

first article of the constitution of the United States and with the acts of congress in such cases made and provided.

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 have the land condemned for the use and benefit of the United States, such condemnation proceedings to be instituted and conducted in accordance with sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 of this article; provided, however, that the quantity of land condemned under the provisions of this section shall not be subject to the limitation prescribed in section 16 of this article.

Ibid. sec. 21.

21. The provisions of sections 17 and 18 of this article shall apply to all property or lands purchased or acquired by the United States under the provisions of sections 19 and 20 of this article.

Public Buildings and Land.

1900, ch. 593, sec. 1.

22. The consent of the State of Maryland is given to the purchase by the United States of America of a lot or lots of ground in Laurel, Prince George's county, for the purpose of erecting a public building thereon.

Ibid. sec. 2.

23. Jurisdiction over said lot or lots of ground after the same shall have been conveyed to the United States of America is ceded, released and relinquished to the United States of America over the said lot or lots of ground; provided, however, that all civil and such criminal process as may issue under the authority of this State against any person or persons charged with crimes and misdemeanors committed without said lot or lots of ground may be executed thereon in the same way and manner as though this cession had never been made or granted, and that the land over which such juris-