

CHAP. 138 of two warrants of resurvey, issued out of the land office for the Western Shore, to Richard Caton, on the sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven, and since assigned to the said Charles Carroll of Carrollton, by the said Richard Caton, which said warrants of resurvey were issued to authorise the resurvey of sundry lots and parcels of land which were conveyed in trust by the said Charles Carroll of Carrollton, on the fourteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and twenty two, to Robert Patterson, John Eager Howard, junior, and Henry M. Murray, and the survivors and survivor, and the heirs of the survivors of them, for the use of Richard and Mary Caton, under such limitations and for such uses as are set forth in said deed; and whereas it appears that the rules of the land offices do not permit the issuing of a patent upon any surveys made under warrants of resurvey under such circumstances: Therefore,

Certificate to be received—patent issued

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the register of the land office for the Western Shore be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to receive any certificate or certificates of survey which shall be made and returned under said warrants of resurvey, or either of them, at any time hereafter, by the said Charles Carroll of Carrollton, to the said land office; and that the said register shall be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to issue patent or patents for the same to the said Charles Carroll of Carrollton, for the land included in any such certificates thus made and returned, after the said certificate or certificates shall have become ready for patent, according to the rules of the land office.

CHAPTER 139.

Passed March 8, 1828. *An act authorising the trustees of Primary Schools in Queen Anns county, to condemn ground for the purposes of building school houses thereon, in said county.*

Authority granted—proceedings directed

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in case the trustees of any school district should not be able to purchase or lease a suitable site for the erection of their school house, they shall have power to value and assess a convenient lot, with the improvements thereon, if any, not exceeding one acre of land, for that purpose, and the decision of the said trustees, as to the worth of the said land and improvements, if any, shall be final and conclusive, unless an appeal shall be prosecuted as hereinafter provided, and the amount of damage for the land and improvements, if any, so valued and assessed as aforesaid, being paid or offered to be paid to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, of which payment or offer to pay, a certificate signed by a majority of the said trustees, and recorded among the land records of the proper county, or a copy of such record duly