

pay over any excess to the owner of the property thus sold. No sale shall be set aside if the provisions of the law shall appear to have been substantially complied with, and the burden of proof shall be on the exceptant; and in all cases of the sale of real estate under said section, the owner thereof prior to the sale, may redeem the same at any time within a year and a day by repayment to the purchaser thereof the amount paid by him, with interest thereon at the rate of six per cent. per annum from the day of the sale.

SEC. 58b. All taxes so levied as aforesaid shall be collected by the collector and treasurer within three years after the levy thereof; and if the same be not collected within the said three years, the parties from whom such taxes may be demanded may plead this section in bar of any recovery thereof; and the said collector and treasurer shall be liable for all such taxes if he fails to enforce the payment thereof within the time herein specified.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 6, 1908.

#### CHAPTER 727.

AN ACT to authorize the Mayor, Counsellor and Aldermen of the city of Annapolis to borrow money and to issue bonds for a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), to be divided into two separate items not to exceed \$30,000 and \$10,000, respectively, for the purpose of providing payment for such permanent improvements as may be found necessary; provided, that before said loan has been contracted and such bonds issued such improvements and the approximate amount to be expended therefor shall receive the assent of a majority of the voters of the taxpayers of the city of Annapolis.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Mayor, Counsellor and Aldermen of the city of Annapolis, a municipal corporation, is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow on the faith and credit of the said corporation a sum of money not to exceed forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), to be divided into two separate items not to exceed thirty thousand dollars and ten thousand dollars, respectively, and to issue bonds therefor in addition to all other indebtedness of the said corporation under the conditions hereinafter set forth.