said stenographer shall not be compelled to take such notes when the said court is sitting as a court of equity.

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

Approved March 30, 1908.

CHAPTER 619.

AN ACT to add certain new sections to article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Prince George's County," subtitle "Clerk," subject, "Recording of Plats," to follow section 85, and to be designated as sections 85A, 85B, 85C, 85D, 85E, 85F, 85G, 85H and 85I.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That certain new sections be and the same are hereby added to article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Prince George's County," sub-title "Clerk," subject, "Recording of Plats," to follow section 85, and to be designated as sections 85A, 85B, 85C, 85D, 85E, 85F, 85G, 85H and 85I.

SEC. 85A. Whenever the owner or owners of lands in Prince George's county shall sub-divide their lands for town villa sites, streets, lanes or alleys, and shall desire for purposes of description and identification a plat of said sub-division to be recorded among the land records of said county or whenever any street, avenue, public roads, lane or alley shall be acquired by condemnation or otherwise by the County Commissioners of said county, the clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince George's county is hereby directed to receive and record same as hereinafter directed, but said clerk shall not receive for record, nor allow to be recorded in his office any such plat, until the requirements of the succeeding sections of this Act shall have been complied with.

SEC. 85B. Such plats shall be made or drawn upon tracing linen or parchment of the uniform size of eighteen inches by twenty-four inches, shall contain the directions and distance of all lines drawn thereon or such of them as will enable each lot, block, avenue, lane or alley thereof to be accurately described by metes and bounds, courses and distances, calculated to the time meridian, there shall be endorsed upon each of such plats, a certificate of the surveyor making the same, that the lots or blocks and squares therein indicated are a part of the whole lands conveyed to the maker of a plat by a deed or conveyance, of which the date and place of record shall be given; that the lines of said sub-division do not conflict with the lines