

to procure a new book, well bound for that purpose, and transcribe therein, in a fair, plain and legible hand, a complete Index to the Land Records in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court aforesaid, from the year seventeen hundred and ninety-one to eighteen hundred and fifty, and the said new book, when furnished and completed, shall and is hereby declared to be substituted in the place and stead of the old one, and the matter and contents thereof shall be treated, considered and held as valid and effectual, in all respects, as were the matters and contents of the said original.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That upon completion of said General Index as hereinbefore provided for, and upon the approval and acceptance of the same by the Commissioners of said county, they, the Commissioners, shall levy, for the use of the said clerk, as other county charges are now levied, such a sum of money as the said County Commissioners may deem a just and reasonable compensation, not exceeding six hundred dollars. Amount levied.

Sec. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage. In force.

CHAPTER 41.

AN ACT to incorporate the Gunpowder Copper Works. Passed Feb. 17, 1864.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Enoch Pratt, William W. Taylor, Galloway Cheston, Edward M. Clymer and William Pinkney Whyte, their associates, successors and assigns, be and they are hereby created a body corporate by the name and style of the "Gunpowder Copper Works," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable in law to hold and dispose of property, real, personal or mixed, fee simple or leasehold, Incorporated.