

at his election, and according to such rule or practice as he may prescribe.

Sec. 11. *And be it enacted*, That the judicial records which may have been wholly or partially destroyed by fire, shall be inquired into and restored by the said Commissioners upon proper evidence, in the same manner as prescribed in relation to the restoration of other records and papers, and the finding and re-establishing of such records or papers, shall be certified by the said Commissioners to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for said county, who shall refile or re-record the same as the case may be.

Judicial records.

Sec. 12. *And be it enacted*, That whenever any records or dockets which have been injured by fire shall have been already made up and restored by the Clerk of the said Circuit Court, it shall be the duty of the Commissioners to examine said records or dockets, and if the same shall be approved by them, to certify such fact by endorsement on the said records or dockets under their hands and seals and such records or dockets, shall be as valid and effective, as if the same had not been destroyed or injured by fire; *provided*, said docket or dockets shall have been certified to, and approved by the Judge of the Circuit Court, as provided by the ninth section of this act.

Examination of records or dockets restored.

Proviso.

Sec. 13. *And be it enacted*, That at the close of this commission, all the partially burnt papers, records and dockets which may have been renewed by the substitution of other papers, records or dockets, by the said Commissioners, shall be properly endorsed and filed away by the Clerk of the said Circuit Court in his office, and preserved as other records and papers are now preserved in said office.

Restoration of records, &c., partially destroyed.

Sec. 14. *And be it enacted*, That the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore county shall cause all the papers ordered to be recorded or filed or records to be recorded anew, to be so recorded, indexed and filed; and shall cause to be made such indexes as may be ordered, and shall supply for that object the necessary books, material and labor, and for the expense of such labor, the said Clerk shall receive seven cents for each hundred words or figures recorded, and pro-rata, and for indexing the same compensation which is now allowed by law for similar service, and for refileing anew

Duty of Clerk of the Circuit Court—compensation, &c.