Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, CHAP. 306. That all the right, estate, interest and claim of the State of Maryland, in and to the piece or parcel of ground fronting thirty-one feet three inches on the west side of Commerce street, in the city of Baltimore, with the appurtenances which was conveyed by Henry Thompson to Henry Child, by deed, dated the twenty-eighth day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, shall be and the same is hereby released to and vested in John W. Thompson, of the city of Baltimore, his heirs and assigns forever.

CHAPTER 306.

An act to regulate proceedings against Corporations.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of When proceed Maryland, That whenever hereafter the attorney general of this State, shall be authorised or directed by the General Assembly of Maryland, to institute proceedings against any corporate body, to ascertain whether such corporate body's charter and corporate powers and franchises ought, by reason of abuser or non-user of such powers or franchises, to For abuse be vacated and annulled, and, if lawful and proper, to cause user seven fac the same to be vacated and annulled, it shall and may be lawful for the attorney general to cause to be issued a scire facias, in the name of the State of Maryland, from the county court, against such corporate body, so abusing or not To show cause using such powers and franchises, to shew cause, if any the said corporate body may have, why the act of incorporation thereof and the said powers and franchises should not be vacated and annulled; and on appearance of said corporate body, to said process, the court shall proceed in the case reced, in manner and form, and subject to all the rules and regulations and right of appeal, lawful and proper, in cases of Appeal allowed. writs of scire facias, and shall determine and render judgment in the premises, either for said corporate body, or Judgment that said corporate body be ousted, and that the act of incorporation thereof be vacated and annulled, and that its corporate franchises shall cease and be void.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That if said corporate body in ease of not as shall be summoned, and shall not appear at the return pearing on term of said process, or shall not appear after being summoned, under any alias writ of scire facias, or if the return on