

vey, the same shall be void, so far as that the land which is included by running from the end of the course and distance to the end of the next course and distance, or to the next boundary, if any, shall be liable to be effected as vacancy.—Nov. 1781, c. 20, § 14.

11. Any person seized of land held under courses and distances only, as to any of the lines thereof, whether courses and distances only are mentioned in the grant or deed under which such land is held, or by the loss of boundaries called for, the person seized is confined to course and distance, or seized of the reversion or remainder on an estate for life or lives therein, having given two months notice by advertisement set up at the court house door of the county, and by such advertisement set up at the doors of the churches, and other houses for public worship if any, in the hundred where such land lies, of his intention to apply to the court for a commission to mark and bound his land named, or otherwise described, in such advertisement, and also giving notice in writing to the persons holding the adjoining lands, if residing thereon, or if absent, leaving such notice at the houses of such persons, 30 days before the meeting of the county court of the county where such land lies, and if no person lives on the adjoining land, giving notice 4 successive weeks in the Baltimore and Annapolis newspapers; and also giving personal notice to the owner of the adjoining land, or to his agent or attorney, if known and in the state 30 days before the meeting of the county court, as aforesaid, may apply, by petition in writing, to such court for a commission to mark and bound such land agreeable to the directions of this act; and upon proof being made to the satisfaction of the court, that such advertisements were duly set up, and notice given as aforesaid, or upon the other persons interested appearing, the court may issue a commission to any 5 or 3 persons, agreed on by all parties, empowering them, or a majority of them, to mark and bound the land mention in such commission, according to the directions of this act; but if the persons interested, or any of them, shall not agree on the persons for commissioners, then shall the court appoint 3 or 5 discreet persons, skilled in land affairs, not interested in the lands, nor related to either of the parties, to whom a commission shall issue in manner aforesaid.—1786, c. 33, § 2.

12. The said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall cause advertisements to be set up at the door of the court house of their county, and such other public places as they may judge most effectual, notifying the time of their meeting, 30 days at the least before their meeting, and shall meet on the land, to proceed in the execution of their commission, agreeable to the notice given by them as aforesaid; but before any commissioner shall proceed in the execution of any such commission, otherwise than by giving notice as aforesaid, and issuing summonses for witnesses, he shall take an oath or affirmation before some justice of the peace, or some other of the commissioners, that he will settle and adjust the
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