

and the reserves of the city of Annapolis and Baltimore town) shall be taken off, and any land within the said reserves may be taken up as other vacant land, at the price of 7s. 6d. current money per acre, or at such other price as such vacant land hereafter may be directed by the legislature to be taken up.—*ibid.* § 6.

18. Any person or persons holding lands within the limits of this state, granted and patented by the proprietors of Pennsylvania antecedent to the settlement of the said divisional line, and which were, before the running and settling the divisional line, considered as lying within the limits, and subject to the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, may take out patents from the land office of this state; and the register of the said office of the Western shore, may on application of any of the above-described landholders, and upon their producing their Pennsylvania patents or authenticated copies, which shall be lodged in the land office; grant a patent or patents for the lands expressed in such original grant or grants, and the person or persons thus receiving patents in exchange shall not be liable to pay any purchase or caution money, or be liable to any charge or demand, except the common fees of office.—*ibid.* § 7.

19. Whenever a caveat is entered in the land office, and the composition money due upon the certificate so caveated hath not been paid, the time during which the caveat shall remain undetermined shall not be considered as part of the time limited for payment of the said composition; provided the proprietor of such certificate will make oath or affirmation, that he hath not procured such caveat to be entered for the sake of delay, nor in any manner endeavoured to postpone the determination on the said caveat longer than was necessary to obtain a full hearing of the real merits in the cause.—1789, c. 35, § 5.

20. For certain fees payable for services done in the land office, See *Chancery*, 36, 37, 38.

21. All certificates of surveys made on the eastern shore, by virtue of warrants of whatsoever kind which may be issued out of the land office of the said shore after the 1 day of March next, shall be returned, by the respective surveyors making the same, to the register of the land office for the said shore, to be by him delivered to an examiner, to be appointed, for the said shore; and if any certificate shall be found defective or imperfect, the said examiner shall forthwith return the same to the said register, to be by him transmitted to the surveyor who made the same, for correction, but if the same shall pass the examination of the said examiner, he shall deliver it to the register of the land office for the said eastern shore, to be by him recorded in a proper and sufficient book, to be kept by him for the purpose of recording all such certificates, which it shall be his duty to do immediately after patent shall issue