

judgment may be entered by the court, and such judgment shall be good in law, notwithstanding the death of either of the parties; and in case any arbitrator, or arbitrators appointed by the parties upon any reference aforesaid should die, or refuse to act, the court shall, upon motion of either of the parties, appoint an arbitrator or arbitrators in the stead of those dying or refusing to act, who shall have the same power and authority to decide the matter in question, as if appointed by the parties; and if an award be not returned within 8 months after the cause may be referred as aforesaid; the court may, by order, compel the arbitrators to return their award, or give their reasons for not returning an award, or the court may in their discretion, upon motion of either of the parties, reinstate the cause, and take such order therein as they may think proper, to have the same fairly tried in court, in the same manner as if such cause never had been referred; and in all cases where awards may be made upon references aforesaid, the party in whose favour the award is given shall cause a copy thereof to be delivered to the adverse party or his attorney, at least 3 days before judgment is moved for upon such award, and the clerk of the court shall not enter judgment upon any award returned without a motion to and direction from the court, and the court shall always have satisfactory proof by the party's own oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, or otherwise, that a copy of the award hath been delivered to the adverse party or his attorney before judgment shall be directed to be entered on any award.—1785, c. 80, § 11.

REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE.

1. **T**HERE shall be two registers of the land-office, one upon the western and one upon the eastern shore; and short extracts of the grants and certificates of the land on the western and eastern shores respectively shall be made in separate books, at the public expence, and deposited in the offices of the said registers, in such manner as shall hereafter be provided by the general assembly. *Const. 51.*

2. The land office for the western and eastern shores respectively, shall be under the direction and care of the registers of those offices; who shall have the possession and care of the extracts of the grants and certificates of the land on their respective shores, which shall hereafter be made agreeable to the directions in the form of government; and such registers shall grant warrants for the resurveying, proclaiming or escheating, any land within any of the counties on their respective shores; and shall also, on the order or titling of the treasurer of their shore, issue common or special warrants of vacant cultivation, for the surveying any vacant land cultivated or uncultivated, in any of the counties on their respective shores; and such warrants shall be directed to, and executed