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any special or common warrants, and which have been compounded upon, a complete title for the same shall be vested in such taker up or those claiming under him, her or them.

Time limited for compounding.

3. And be it enacted, That all certificates of surveys of land made after the passage of this act in Allegany county, and returned to the land office of the western shore, and which shall not be compounded upon within twelve months from the date of such certificate, shall be and the same are hereby declared to be null and void, and the lands therein mentioned, shall be liable to be taken up again as all other vacant lands are in said county of Allegany.

Passed Feb 10, 1823. Privilege granted. CHAPTER 129.

An act for the relief of John W. Berry of the city of Baltimore. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That John W. Berry of the city of Baltimore, and his legal representatives, be, and they are hereby authorised and permitted to improve and use in such manner as he or they may think proper, a certain lot of land situated and lying in the city of Baltimore as lately extended, and enlarged, which was demised and leased to him by M'Lane Stinchcomb and wife in the year eighteen hundred and eighteen, said lot being a front of about fifty seven feet on Catharine now Chatsworth street and extending north easterly to the Reister's town turnpike road, now Pennsylvania avenue; and whenever by authority of any law heretofore passed, it shall be necessary to open Preston street, which by the commissioners appointed by an act of assembly passed at December session, eighteen hundred and seventeen, has been located through or upon said lot, and before the opening of the same, the said John W. Berry and his representatives shall be entitled to receive a fair and reasonable compensation as well for the ground taken for Preston street as for any improvements that shall in the mean time have been made thereupon, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAPTER 130.

Passed Feb 10, 1825. An act to revive and continue in force the act of Assembly therein mentioned, and the several supplements thereto and for other purposes.

Preamble.

Whereas, it is represented to this general assembly of Maryland by the petition of sundry citizens of the village of Denton, that doubts have arisen respecting the validity of the laws for the appointing of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of said village in consequence of the commissioners thereof, having neglected to act agreeably to the provisions of said laws; therefore,

Former laws revived.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the passage of this act, the act of assembly passed at November session, eighteen hundred and two, chapter twenty five, entitled, An act appointing commissioners for the regulation and improvement of Denton in Caroline county, and the supplement to the said act passed at November session, eighteen hundred and four, chapter fifty four, and the further supplement to the aforesaid act passed at November session, eighteen hundred and seven, chapter one hundred and thirteen, (except the seventh section of the last recited supplement, be, and the same are hereby revived and declared to be in as full force as if the commissioners of said village had acted in conformity to the provisions of the aforesaid act and the supplements thereto, any thing in any law, custom or usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Commission- 2. And be it enacted, That Thomas Saulsbury, James Sangston,