

from ten o'clock A. M. to three o'clock P. M. until every parcel shall have been offered. Should the treasurer, by reason of illness or other disability, be unable to attend or conduct such sale or sales in person, a deputy shall conduct such sale or sales, and in such cases the deputy shall make the affidavit to the report of sale provided for in Section 496. And in the case of a sale of personal property only, the purchaser or purchasers of the articles sold shall have a good title to the same, and the treasurer shall deliver the said personal property to said purchaser or purchasers upon payment of the full amount of the sale price thereof. Provided, that in order to facilitate the operations of this section during the year 1933, the treasurer may, if he should find it necessary or expedient to do so in that year, extend the time limits prescribed in this section as follows: 1. For publishing the list and notice of delinquent taxpayers he may have until the second Monday in May, instead of the second Monday in March; for holding the tax sales in pursuance of said notice he may have until the second Monday in June, instead of the second Monday in April; and for his final settlement, until the first day of October, instead of the first day of June. After the year 1933, the time limits prescribed in this Article shall be strictly adhered to and shall be mandatory upon the treasurer.

496. When any real estate shall be sold for taxes under the provisions of this Article, said sale or sales in each and every case shall be reported by the treasurer to the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County within thirty days from the date of said sale, in which report shall be shown to whom and at what price such several parcels of land and articles of personal property were respectively sold, the amount of taxes, of interest accrued, of the proportionate cost of advertising such sale and the prescribed costs of making and reporting said sale. Upon which report, if the court shall find the proceedings regular, and that the provisions of the law in relation thereto have been complied with, there shall be a brief order nisi passed in each case and a copy thereof published, as in the case of judicial sales by trustees, in the newspaper or newspapers then having the contract for the county publishing, and if no sufficient cause be shown to the contrary, the sale shall be finally ratified by said court, separately in each case or, in the court's discretion, in one order, ratifying and confirming all of such sales where there has been no sufficient cause shown. But if sufficient cause in any case be shown to