

partiality or prejudice, and in the event of the death or refusal to act, of either of the said commissioners, the county commissioners shall appoint one or more persons to fill any vacancy or vacancies thus occurring.

Notice of survey.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That previous to the survey of said road, at least ten days notice in the newspaper printed in Kent county, shall be given of the time of such survey.

In force.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

CHAPTER 15.

Passed Feb. 9, 1853. AN ACT to make valid a deed from John W. Ratcliffe and Margaret Ratcliffe, his wife, to Lewis Barrett.

Deed made valid.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the deed from John W. Ratcliffe and Margaret Ratcliffe, his wife, to Lewis Barrett, executed on the twenty-eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and recorded on the twenty-eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, in Liber S. T. S., number five, folios two hundred and seventy-four and two hundred and seventy-five, one of the land records of Montgomery county, and acknowledged before two justices of the Peace, in and for Washington county, District of Columbia, be, and the same is hereby confirmed, and made as valid and effectual in law, as if the said deed had been duly acknowledged before the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of the United States, for Washington county, in the District of Columbia, and his official character had been duly certified thereto.