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Sec. 22. *And be it enacted*, That any person or persons having possession of any bill of sale, mortgage or other instrument of writing, relating to personal property that appears to have been heretofore recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the said county, and the record thereof has been destroyed, may have the same enrolled again, and the Clerk of the said court is hereby required to record the same, together with the endorsement thereon, of the former enrollment at the cost and expense of the party or parties requiring the same, and the same when recorded shall have the same effect and operation in law, to all intents and purposes, as if the records aforesaid, in which the said papers were heretofore recorded had never been destroyed.

In force.

Sec. 23. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage, and all acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with this act be, and the same is hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 147.

Passed March 24, 1866. AN ACT to incorporate the Empire Coal Company, of Allegany county.

Incorporated
—rights and
privileges.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That James A. Ferguson, John Rhind and Charles B. Thurston, and such other persons as may become associated with them, in the manner hereinafter provided, shall be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic by the name of the Empire Coal Company of Allegany county, and by that name shall have succession and be able and capable to sue and be sued in any court whatever, and may have and use a common seal and the same alter and renew at pleasure, and shall have all the powers, faculties, franchises and rights necessary and proper for the carrying on the mining of coal and the beneficial management of its property, and for the