

with the stamp of the Comptroller, and any Notary Public who shall violate this provision shall, for every such offence, be liable to a fine of five hundred dollars, to be recovered by indictment in the Circuit Court for the county or in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, as the case may be, one-half for the use of the State and one-half for the informer; but in no action or other proceeding in law or equity shall any protests be rejected as evidence, if otherwise admissible on account of the absence of the stamp of the Comptroller therefrom.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect on the first day of April next. In force.

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### CHAPTER 109.

AN ACT to make valid a deed from Charles Johnson to Elizabeth and Franklin Duyer. Passed March 6, 1862.

WHEREAS, by a deed dated the twenty-ninth day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, a certain Charles Johnson, of Harford county, executed a deed and duly acknowledged the same, conveying a certain piece of land therein described, to Elizabeth and Franklin Duyer, recorded among the land records of said Harford county, in Liber W. G., number twelve, folio three hundred and eighteen; but the said deed although signed by said Charles Johnson is defective, for the want of the proper seal and attestation of the said grantor, and the said grantor has since died; therefore, Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That said deed be and the same is hereby made valid to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been sealed with the seal of the said Charles Johnson, and had been by him attested in due form of law. Deed made valid.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage. In force.