CHAPTER 176.

Passed Feb. A supplement to an act entitled, an act relating to the Lien of Mechanics and others upon Buildings, passed at December session eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, chapter two hundred and five.

Proviso.

Supplement. Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the first day of April next, the lien for work done and materials furnished for or about the erection or construction of any building within the limits of the city of Baltimore, shall only be preferred to every other lien or incumbrance, which attached upon such building subsequent to the commencement of the same, and the ground covered by and necessary for the ordinary and useful purposes of such building, as provided for in the second section of the original act, to which this is a supplement; provided, that if the contract for furnishing such work or materials, or both, shall have been made with any architect, builder, or other person, except the owner or owners of the lot upon which such building may be erected, or his, her or their agent, the person or persons so doing work or furnishing materials, or both, shall not be entitled to a lien as aforesaid, unless within sixty days after furnishing such work or materials, or both, as the case may be, he, she or they, or his, her or their agent, shall give notice of the same in writing to such owner or owners, or agent, if resident within the city or county of Baltimore, and of his, her or their intention to claim the benefit of the lien hereby given.

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SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That if the owner, owners or agent aforesaid cannot, on account of absence or other cause, be furnished with the notice aforesaid, then and in that case, it shall and may be lawful for the claimant or claimants, or his, her or their agent, in the presence of a competent witness, and within the said sixty days, to place or cause to be placed said notice upon the door or other front part of said building, and shall file a claim or statement of his, her or their demand in the office of the clerk of Baltimore county court, in the manner prescribed in the original act to which this is a supplement.

Applicable in all cases.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the aforegoing provisions of this act and of the original act, to which this is a supplement, are hereby made and declared to be applicable in every case in which a dwelling house, or other building, shall be repaired, rebuilt or improved to the extent of one-fourth of the value of such house, or other to issue any note, serip, taken, device or evidence of

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