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convey a certain parcel of land to said Lannon, lying and being in Allegany county, and which said deed was regularly recorded in Liber H. R., No. 11, folio 385, one of the land records of said county; and whereas also, the said Llangollen Mining Company executed a certain other deed to William Lannon of Allegany county, purporting to convey a certain parcel of land to said Lannon, lying and being in Allegany county, which said deed bears date the twenty-seventh day of June, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and is duly recorded in Liber H. R., No. 11, folio 422, one of the land records of said county; which two several deeds are signed by H. F. Tallmadge, president of the said company, and the corporate seal of said company affixed by the said president; and whereas doubt exists as to the validity of said deeds by reason of certain defects in the acknowledgment of the said deeds; therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assem- Made valid. bly of Maryland, That the acknowledgments of both of said deeds be, and they are hereby, ratified and made valid to all intents and purposes, as if said deeds contained a power of attorney from the Llangollen Mining Company authorising and empowering the said H. F. Tallmadge to make said acknowledgments, and as if said acknowledgments were made in conformity to all and every of the laws of this State regulating the acknowledgment of deeds by corporate bodies.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the title of said William Lannon, under and by virtue of said deeds, is made as valid and good in law, as if said deeds and acknowledgments were made and executed in accordance with the laws of this State; Provided Proviso. however, that nothing in this act contained shall effect the rights of bona fide purchasers or creditors without notice, who may have become so before the passage of this act.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That this act shall take In force. effect from the date of its passage.