

by H. F. Talmadge, President of said mining company, and the corporate seal of said company affixed by the said president; and whereas doubts exist of the validity of said deed by reason of certain defects in the acknowledgement of the said deed, Therefore.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* ^{Made valid.} That the acknowledgement of the aforesaid deed from the Llangollen Mining Company to the said John Kight, be and the same is hereby ratified, and made as valid in law to all intents and purposes as if said deed contained a power of Attorney from the Llangollen Mining Company, authorising and empowering the said H. F. Talmadge to make said acknowledgement, and if said acknowledgement were made in conformity to all and every of the laws of this State regulating the acknowledgement of deeds by corporate bodies.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the title of said John Kight, under and by virtue of said deed, is made as valid and good in law as if said deed and acknowledgement were made and executed in accordance with the laws of this State. ^{Proviso.} *Provided,* however, that nothing in this act contained shall affect 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.

CHAPTER 183.

AN ACT prescribing when, where, and before whom, ^{Passed March 8, 1856.} the Governor of the State shall take the oath of office.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, ^{Oath of office.} That from and after the passage of this act, the Governor elect of the State of Maryland, shall take and subscribe the oath of his office, as prescribed in the