

Which was read and assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled, an act to make valid a deed in Worcester county;

Endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments :"

Amendments proposed.

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

"Whereas, a deed of mortgage was heretofore made and executed by a certain Josiah W. S. Heath of Oktibbeha county, in the State of Mississippi, conveying a certain lot of ground and premises, lying and being in Snow Hill, in Worcester county, known on the plot of said farm as lot number forty, to a certain Robert M. R. Smith and certain John W. Smith of said county; and whereas, the said deed of mortgage is defective in its execution, by reason of the acknowledgment of the same being made before a clerk of a court of probate, instead of being acknowledged before a judge of a court of record, and in consequence of the said acknowledgment not containing a certificate of the identity of the party grantor—therefore,

"Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said deed of mortgage from Josiah W. S. Heath of Oktibbeha county and State of Mississippi, bearing date on or about the fifteenth day of February, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty nine, and duly recorded amongst the land records of Worcester county, be and the same is hereby declared valid in the same manner as if the said deed of mortgage had been duly executed and acknowledged according to law; provided that nothing in this act shall be construed to interfere with the rights of judgment creditors, or bona fide purchasers without notice."

Amend the title by striking out the same and inserting:

"An act to make valid a certain deed of mortgage therein mentioned."

Which were read, assented to and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled, an act for the incorporation of La Grange Lodge, number thirty-six, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows;

The bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Sharpsburg Martial Musical Band;

Severally endorsed "will pass,"—ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill entitled, an act to make valid a deed therein mentioned;

Endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendment ;"

Amendment proposed.

After the word "hereby" in the sixth line, strike out the residue of the bill, and insert "declared valid in the same manner and to the same extent as if the said William Newton, the grantee in the said deed, had been a naturalized citizen of the United States at the time of the execution thereof;"