

Westcott,	Boulden,	Silverwood,
Claude,	Hance,	Stockbridge,
Iglehart,	Clarke,	Dundon,
Henkle,	Herbert,	Cushwa,
Ireland,	Pierce, of Q. A's,	Miller,
Hoffman,	Tolson,	Zeigler,
Poteet,	Duncan,	Young,
Wright,	Smith,	Greene,
Pearce, of Balt. co,	Murray, of Wor.,	Shaw,
Lusby,	Hammond,	Brown,
Lester,	Buhrman,	Hebb,
Kerr,	Biggs,	Ecker,
McNeal,	Rinehart,	Waters,
Mathews,	Trail,	Sykes,
Douglass,	McCoy,	Tyson—53.
Elliott,	Hitchcock,	

NEGATIVE—None.

The said bill was then sent to the Senate.

Mr. Stockbridge, from the committee, on the Judiciary, submitted the following

#### REPORT:

*To the House of Delegates :*

The committee on the Judiciary reports unfavorably upon the bill entitled, "An Act to make valid a deed from John Elliott, from Caroline county, to Tilghman Hubbard, &c.,"

The informality which this bill was designed to remedy, was the neglect of the grantees in the deed to have it recorded within six months from its date, as required by section 13<sup>d</sup> of article 24, of the Code of Public General Laws.

But the deed can be rendered valid as between the grantor and grantees, by recording it at any time; it being so expressly provided by the 19th section of said article 24.

The committee desires particularly to call the attention of the House to this provision of the Law, as, besides relieving them from the consideration of a large number of special private bills, it will assure the public mind and quiet doubts with reference to titles where there is no valid legal difficulty, and place in the hands of grantees themselves the means of remedying the difficulties growing out of their neglect or inadvertance.

HENRY STOCKBRIDGE,

*Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary.*

*House of Delegates, Jan. 20, 1864.*

Which was adopted.