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Which was read and assented to.

After the word "act," in the second line of the second section, strike out the rest of the section, and insert, "It shall have the same effect, notwithstanding said imperfect acknowledgment, as is allowed to deeds, recorded after the time prescribed by law, by the act of December session, of the year 1831, chapter 304."

The bill was then read the second, and by special order the third time, and passed.

Mr. Wootton, from the committee on internal improvement, to which was referred the bill entitled, An act incorporating a company to make a turnpike road, from the turnpike near Westminster, to Taney Town, thence through Emmitsburg to the Maryland and Pennsylvania state line, reported, that the committee had had said bill under consideration, and were of opinion it ought to pass, with the following amendment,

Which was read and assented to:

Insert the following, between the first and second sections:

"And be it enacted, That the President and Managers of said Company may agree with the owners of land, for the purchase of land required for said road, and also for the purchase of stone, gravel, earth and sand, for said road; and, in all cases where they are unable to agree with the owners, or the owner should be a feme covert, non compos mentis, or under age, the said president may apply to a justice of the peace, for the county aforesaid, which justice shall thereupon issue his warrant to the sheriff of said county, commanding him to summon twenty disinterested persons, qualified to act as jurors in the county court, to meet upon the land, and after four are stricken off the pannel, by the president or his agent, and four by the person or persons interested; and in his, her, or their absence or refusal, by the sheriff, the said sheriff shall qualify the remaining twelve jurors, either by oath or affirmation, as the case may be, justly, truly, and impartially, to value the damages which may be sustained by the owner, or owners, of such materials or land, required by the said Company; and the said jurors shall, after valuing said damages, return the same, under their hands and seals, to the clerk of Frederick county court, to be