in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 26.

AN ACT to amend section 1, of chapter 288, laws of 1891, relating to defects in recorded instruments.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1, of chapter 288, of the Amends sec. 1. laws of 1891, amendatory of section 1, of chapter issi. 404, laws of 1889, is hereby amended by adding after the word "acknowledged" in the twentythird line of said section the words "and said seal had been duly recorded;" so that said sec-tion when amended shall read as follows: Section 1, of chapter 404, of the laws of 1889, is hereby amended by adding at the end Defective rethereof the following: And whenever any instru-ments, when ment or conveyance affecting the title to lands good. which has been or shall be recorded for twenty years in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which such lands are situated, recites therein that an official or corporate seal is thereto attached, and a copy of said seal shall have been or shall be omitted from the record, and all contracts, bonds or agreements for the sale or conveyance of land or any interest therein, purporting to be executed by any person as vendor or contractor but not acknowledged, may, when the said instrument or instruments or contracts, bonds or agreements have been or shall be recorded in the proper register's office for twenty years, be proved and admitted in evidence by the production of the record or a duly certified copy thereof, in the same manner and with the same effect as if any such instrument had been duly sealed, attested and acknowledged, and said seal had been duly recorded, and such

record or certified copy shall be presumptive evidence of the execution of any such instrument, contract, bond or agreement, without its being shown that the same was duly or properly entered upon the general index or reception book; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall affect any pending suit or proceeding or the right, title or interest of any purchaser in good faith for value without notice.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 27.

## AN ACT to amend chapter 40, of the private and local laws of 1855, being the charter of Ripon college.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Amends sec. 7, ch. 40, private and local laws of 1855.

Board of trustees, powers of.

**SECTION 1.** Section 7, of chapter 40, of the private and local laws of 1855, is hereby amended by striking out the words "provided always, that the annual income arising from the same, shall never exceed twenty thousand dollars," where they occur in lines five, six and seven of said section, so that said section 7 when amended shall read as follows: Section 7. The board of trustees shall have full power in their corporate name to sue and be sued; to plead and be impleaded; to have a common seal, which they may alter at pl ure; to acquire, use, hold and convey property, real and personal, to see that every donation or bequest made to the institution, be applied in conformity to the condition on which the same is made; to establish and maintain such departments, male and female, as they may deem important for the qualification of teachers, or for instruction in any of the ornamental branches, arts and sciences; to make all necessary by laws