under the act to which this act is amendatory, substantially in the form prescribed in the preceding section, shall be and are hereby declared to be and to have been valid and legal, and no additional matter contained in such certificates shall in any way affect or invalidate the same.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 15, 1880.

[No. 217, S.]

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CHAPTER 279.

AN ACT to amend the subdivision entitled "additional powers of peculiar corporations," of chapter eighty-six of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled "of the organization of corpo-

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

SECTION 1. Add to the foot of section seventeen Lorging and numbering cor hundred and seventy-seven, in the subdivision entitled porations. "additional powers of peculiar corporations," of chapter eighty-six of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled "of the organization of corporations," the words and figures following, to wit: Section 1777 a. Any corporation formed under this chapter for the improvement of any stream, and storing, sorting and delivering thereon saw logs, square and round timber, or other timber thereon, which shall have taken prior possession of such stream or portion of stream for that purpose, shall have the exclusive power to improve such stream or portion thereof by clearing and straightening the channels thereof, cutting canals, closing sloughs, driving piles and erecting piers and other works in the bed or on the banks thereof, and by constructing all such booms of all kinds as may be necessary or suitable for the purposes aforesaid; but shall. in no case in any manner materially obstruct or impede navigation upon such stream or navigable sloughs thereof, or erect any dam or other obstruction below the head of steamboat navigation; but shall leave a free, open and unobstructed passage way, at least eighty feet in width, on at least one side of such stream or navigable slough. Every such corporation shall have all the powers, grants and privileges, includ. Powers of coring the right to collect toll or boom charges, and have liens therefor, and be subject to all the conditions, limitations, and restrictions conferred, imposed or provided by said section one thousand seven hundred and

seventy-seven, upon corporations for the improvement of streams and driving logs thereon, so far as the same may be applicable, excepting in the cases wherein special provisions relating thereto are berein made. Such corporations shall have power to acquire the title to lands and easements therein, in, upon and contiguous to such streams and sloughs within the limits of its proposed line of piers and booms, either by purchase, lease or license, or the exercise of the right of eminent domain, and in case it shall be necessary to take, flow or injure lands and property in the construction of the works of improvement hereby authorized, such lands and property or easements therein may be acquired in the manner prescribed by the subdivision entitled "acquiring lands by the right of eminent domain," of chapter eighty-seven of the said revised statutes, entitled "of railroads," so far as the provisions thereof may be applicable. The provisions of sections twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, eighteen and twentyfour of chapter forty-five of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for the year 1871, entitled an act to incorporate the Wausau boom company, as the same are amended, shall apply to corporations formed hereunder: provided, this act shall not apply to the Chippewa river or any of its tributaries.

Act of 1871 to apply.

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

Approved March 15, 1880.

[No. 194, S.]

[Published March 23, 1880.]

CHAPTER 280.

AN ACT to authorize the commissioners of public lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to the county of Lincoln.

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

Amount of loan, \$55,000. SECTION 1. The commissioners of public lands are hereby authorized to loan a portion of the trust funds of this state, not exceeding fifty five thousand dollars, to the county of Lincoln, in this state, and the said board of supervisors is hereby authorized to borrow a sum, not exceeding the amount above named, of said commissioners, and to issue to said commissioners certificates of the indebtedness so contracted. Said indebtedness shall bear interest at the rate of seven per cent, per annum, and said interest shall be paid annually, together with, after one year from the date of such loan, not less than one tenth of the principalsum, until the whole is paid.

Rate of interest; payment of principal.