amended by striking out the figures "1880" in the tenth line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "1881," so that said section will read: Section 1. Section four of chapter ninety-two of the laws of Wisconsin for 1874, entitled an act to amend chapter one hundred and twenty-six, private laws of 1867, entitled an act to incorporate the Milwankee and Brookfield Macadamized turnpike company, is hereby amended by adding as follows: provided, said company Road to be com- build and complete said road to a point one-half the distance between the east line of the town of Brookfield and Fox river, on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1881; otherwise this act shall be null and void, and of no force whatever.

pleted January 1, 1881.

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

Approved February 12, 1880.

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CHAPTER 9.

AN ACT empowering commissioners of United States courts to administer oaths and take and certify the acknowledgment of deeds and other instruments in writing.

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

U. S. Commissioners may administer oaths and take acknowledgments.

Section 1. Commissioners of the United States circuit or district courts residing in the state of Wisconsin are hereby authorized and empowered to administer oaths and take and certify the acknowledgment of deeds and other instruments in writing, in the same manner and with the same effect as if taken or administered by a court commissioner of the circuit courts of this state: provided, however, that before exercising the powers herein conferred, such court commissioner shall file with the clerk of the circuit court of the county in which he resides, his certificate of appointment as such court commissioner or a duly certified copy thereof.

This act shall take effect and be in force Section 2.

from and after its passage and publication.

Approved February 12, 1880.