SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication. Approved April 17, 1891.

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CHAPTER 293.

AN ACT to amend section 2219 of the revised statutes, relating to the acknowledgment of conveyances.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2219 of the revised statutes Amends sec. of 1878 is hereby amended by striking out the 2219, R. S. 1878. last four words and inserting in place thereof the following: "May certify that fact in lieu of acknowledge." other proof thereof. All conveyances heretofore ments. executed and acknowledged according to the laws of such state, territory or district, but not according to the laws of this state, and not being certified by the acknowledging officer to be so executed and acknowledged, are hereby declared to be and to have been as good and valid as if so certified by him, and proof of such facts may be made by any proper and competent evidence; but nothing herein contained shall affect the right, title or interest of any purchaser in good faith, for value without notice, so that said section, when so amended, shall read as follows: Section 2219. In the cases provided for in the next preceding section, unless the acknowledgment be taken before a commissioner appointed by the governor of this state for that purpose, a clerk of a court of record, with its seal attached, a notary public, with his seal attached, or the commanding officer of a military post, such conveyance shall have attached thereto a certificate of the clerk, or other proper certifying offi-cer of a court of record of the county or district within which such acknowledgment was taken, under the seal of his office, that the person

whose name is subscribed to the certificate of acknowledgment was, at the date thereof, such officer as he is therein represented to be, and that he believes the signature of such person subscribed thereto to be genuine, and if such deed be executed and acknowledged according to the laws of such state, territory or district, such certificate shall state that fact. If any such deed, the acknowledgment of which shall be taken by any such commissioner, clerk of a court of record, notary public or commanding officer of a military post, shall be executed and acknowledged according to the laws of such state, territory or district, the certificate of acknowledg. ment may certify that fact, in lieu of other proof thereof. All conveyances heretofore executed and acknowledged according to the laws of such state, territory or district, but not according to the laws of this state, and not being certified by the acknowledging officer to be so executed and acknowledged, are hereby declared to be and to have been as good and valid as if so certified by him, and proof of such facts may be made by any proper and competent evidence; but nothing herein contained shall affect 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. Approved April 17, 1891.