office of such officer had not expired at the time of such act, and the same as though the said acting notary public had not been at the time of said act an alien; and the record of all such conveyances or other instruments is hereby declared to be legal and valid and effectual for all purposes.

Provided, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any action or proceeding now pending in the

courts of this state.

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

Approved March 21st, 1895.

S. F. No. 281.

## CHAPTER 347.

Public buildings.

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An act to provide for the use of stone in the construction of public buildings for which funds shall be appropriated by the state of Minnesota.

Said stone shall be quarried, cut and dressed within

this state.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Minnesota:

Home quarries to be patronized. SECTION 1. All natural stone which shall hereafter be used in the construction of public buildings or other structures for which funds shall be appropriated by the state of Minnesota, shall be quarried, cut and dressed within the boundaries of this state;

Provided that this section shall not be construed as prohibiting the use of stone of at least as good a quality for such institutions and buildings, wherever the cost thereof is less than that of native stone.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall in no way prohibit the use of slate, marble or other stone for interior decorations.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be inforce from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 21st 1895.

H. F. No. 710.

## CHAPTER 348.

An act to authorize the state treasurer to cover into the general revenue fund a certain certificate of deposit now held by him.

Whereas, the state treasurer in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine (1879) received from A.