

and Cedar Valley Times, without expense to the State.  
Approved March 4th, 1858,

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Cedar Valley Times on the 11th day of March, 1858.

ELIJAH BELLS,  
Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER 33.

### DOWER.

AN ACT to give greater security to purchasers and mortgagees of real estate.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That in every conveyance of real estate the joining of the wife with her husband shall be deemed sufficient to pass any and all right which the said wife had or has in said property in said conveyance, either in her own right independent of the husband, or as his wife, unless the contrary appears on the face of the conveyance.

SEC. 2. That any deed, mortgage or other instrument of writing, heretofore executed in pursuance of law, by husband and wife, for the purpose of conveying or incumbering the estate of the wife, or her right of dower in any lands, tenements or hereditaments situated in this State, shall be received in evidence in any of the courts of this State as conveying or incumbering the estate or interest of the wife, or as releasing her right of dower, as the case may be, although the magistrate taking the acknowledgment of such deed shall not have certified that the grantors or wife were personally known, or that he read or made known the contents of such deed, mortgage or other instrument of writing to such wife, or that she relinquished her right of dower, before or at the time she acknowledged the execution thereof.

This Act having remained with the Governor three days, (Sunday excepted) the General Assembly being in session, has become a law this 8th day of March, A. D. 1858.

ELIJAH BELLS,  
Secretary of State.