

ings, or pursuant to any power contained in said mortgage or deed of trust, the purchaser or purchasers thereof, or his or their survivor or survivors, representatives or assigns, may, together with their associates, if any, form a corporation for the purpose of owning, possessing, maintaining and operating such railroad, or such portions thereof as may be situated within this State, by filing in the office of the Secretary of this State a certificate of the name and style of such corporation, the number of Directors of the same, the name of its first Directors, the period of their service not exceeding one year, the amount of the capital stock of such corporation, and the number of shares into which it is to be divided, and the par value thereof, which may consist wholly of common stock, or partly of common stock and partly of preferred stock, and the whole or any part thereof may be issued as fully paid up stock in payment or part payment for the road as purchased, and for the construction and equipment thereof, shall not in the aggregate exceed the amount of stock which the corporation, whose road shall have been purchased as aforesaid, was entitled to issue, and the persons signing such certificate, and their successors, shall be a body corporate and politic by the name specified in such certificate, with power to sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and to own, maintain, possess and operate the railroad referred to in such certificate, and to transact all business connected with the same; and a copy of such certificate, attested by the Secretary of State or his deputy, shall, in all Courts and places, be evidence of the due organization and existence of such corporation, and of the matters specified in such certificates.

To incorporate purchasers of railroads.

Evidence.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That such corporation shall possess all the powers, rights, immunities, privileges and franchises in respect to such railroad, or the part thereof included in such certificate, and in respect to the real and