ACT No. XV of 1917.

[Passed by the Indian Legislative Council.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 13th September, 1917.)

An Act further to amend the Indian Registration Act, 1908.

THEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Registration Act, 1908; It is hereby XVI of 1908: enacted as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be called the Indian Registration (Amendment) Act, 1917.

Insertion of new section

2. After section 23 of the Indian Registration Act, 1908, the following section shall be inserted, XVI of 1908. 23A in Act ACt, 1900 XVI of 1908. namely:—

Re-registra-tion of certain documents.

"23A. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Act, if in any case a document requiring registration has been accepted for registration by a Registrar or Sub-Registrar from a person not duly empowered to present the same, and has been registered, any person claiming under such document may, within four months from his first becoming aware that the registration of such document is invalid, present such document or cause the same to be presented, in accordance with the provisions of Part VI for re-registration in the office of the Registrar of the district in which the document was originally registered; and upon the Registrar being satisfied that the document was so accepted for registration from a person not duly empowered to present the same, he shall proceed to the re-registration of the document as if it had not been previously registered, and as if such presentation for re-registration was a presentation for registration made within the time allowed therefor under Part IV, and all the provisions of this

Act, as to registration of documents, shall apply to such re-registration; and such document, if duly reregistered in accordance with the provisions of this section, shall be deemed to have been duly registered for all purposes from the date of its original registration:

Provided that, within three months from the twelfth day of September, 1917, any person claiming under a document to which this section applies may present the same or cause the same to be presented for re-registration in accordance with this section, whatever may have been the time when he first became aware that the registration of the document was invalid."