

signing, exacted by article 843 of the Civil Code, to the great loss of the parties interested; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Every will, in authentic form, received before two notaries, or one notary and two witnesses, without mention of the fact that the testator has signed in the presence of the notaries, or of the notary and the witnesses, and with them, or has declared that he could not do so, after the same was read to him, by one of the notaries in the presence of the other, or by the notary, in the presence of the witnesses, up to the time of the coming into force of this Act, shall be considered as authentic and valid, notwithstanding the omission of such mention, in the same manner as if such mention had been made in the said deed; provided always, that the formalities, of which mention should have been made, have been duly complied with.

Wills considered authentic and valid, notwithstanding certain defects in formalities.

Proviso.

2. The provisions of this Act shall not affect pending cases.

3. This Act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

CAP. XXIX.

An Act to legalize certain official acts of Charles J. Powell, deputy-sheriff of the District of Arthabaska.

[Assented to 30th June, 1881.]

WHEREAS during the time that the said Charles J. Powell was discharging the duties pertaining to the office of sheriff of the said district of Arthabaska, he assumed the title of "acting sheriff" and "deputy acting sheriff," instead of that of "deputy-sheriff;" and whereas doubts may exist as to the validity and legality of the official acts of the said Charles J. Powell, done and performed under such assumed titles; and whereas it is desirable to remove any such doubts; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Preamble.

1. All and singular the acts and proceedings of the said Charles J. Powell, deputy-sheriff of the district of Arthabaska, heretofore done and performed by him, either under the name and title of "acting sheriff" or of "deputy acting sheriff," are hereby declared to be and to have

Certain acts of C. J. Powell, deputy-sheriff of Arthabaska, declared valid.

been, when so done and performed, good, legal, and valid, to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

Pending pro-
ceedings not
affected.

2. This act shall not be held to interfere with any case, now pending, before any court in the province.

Act in force.

3. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

C A P . X X X .

An Act to amend chapter 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada

[Assented to 30th June, 1881.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS, according to the provisions of chapter 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, regulating the division of Lower Canada into counties, the county of Argenteuil includes that portion of the township of Morin, situate to the south-west of the line between the lots numbers twenty-four and twenty-five of all the ranges of that township, and that a part of the county of Terrebonne is bounded by the line between lots numbers twenty-six and twenty-five of the same township; and whereas, the said lots, that is to say, number twenty-five of the ranges 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the said township of Morin, thus form part of both the counties of Argenteuil and Terrebonne, it is necessary to rectify the said boundaries; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

C. S. L. C. c.
75, s. 1, §14,
amended.

1. Sub-section 14 of section 1 of chapter seventy five of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, is amended by striking out the words: "twenty-six and twenty-five" in the fifteenth line of the said sub-section and substituting therefor the words: "twenty-four and twenty-five."

Act in force.

2. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

C A P . X X X I .

An Act to amend Chapter 18 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada and the Act 42-43 Victoria, chapter 41, with respect to the erection of certain parishes within the limits of the former parish of Notre-Dame de Montréal.

[Assented to 30th June, 1881.]

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :