

Contents of
act of death.

or other priest or minister of a church of the religion to which the deceased belonged, and to cause such act of death to be inscribed. It shall contain the day of the death, the names, surname, and quality or occupation of the deceased, and mention of the place where the body was found, or of the institution where the death occurred, and of the school of medicine or university to which the body has been delivered; and it is signed by the inspector of anatomy and by the person inscribing the act.

Place of this
act in a
divided vol.
of registers.

4. Whenever the duplicate registers are divided into volumes and are in printed forms, a sufficient number of blank pages shall be placed at the end of the volume for the acts of death mentioned in the two last sections.

Penalty
against ins-
pector of
anatomy.

5. Every omission by the inspector of anatomy to cause an act of death to be inscribed, shall be punishable by a penalty not exceeding eighty dollars, nor less than eight dollars.

Alphabetical
index after
each dupli-
cate of the
register.

6. An alphabetical index shall be made at the end of each duplicate of the registers of civil status for each church, congregation or other religious community, by the person entitled by law to keep such registers.

C A P . I X .

An act to declare valid certain sales of moveables belonging to successions.

[Assented to 9th March, 1878.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS, in virtue of articles 1320 and 572 of the code of civil procedure, the sale of moveables belonging to a succession of which one of the co-heirs is a minor, cannot be made before the expiration of eight days to be reckoned from the Sunday when such sale was announced by public notice, that is to say, the second Tuesday after the Sunday aforesaid; whereas, since the putting into force of this code, several of these sales have been made on the second Monday, instead of the second Tuesday, after the Sunday aforesaid, as was the custom previous to the code; and whereas this irregularity may be prejudicial to the interests of a large number of families, and that in consequence, it is urgent that these sales should be made valid; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Every sale of moveables belonging to successions of which one of the coheirs was a minor, made since the coming into force of the code of civil procedure until the coming into force of this act, the second Monday instead of the second Tuesday following the first Sunday on which such sale ought to have been announced, according to articles 1320 and 572 of the code of civil procedure, is declared valid and shall be so considered in law; provided always, that all the other formalities required by law shall have been observed.

Sales declared valid.

2. This act shall not affect pending cases.

Pending cases.

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

Act in force.

C A P . X .

An act respecting the proof of Heirship.

[Assented to 9th March, 1878.]

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

1. Whenever, in this province, an *abintestate* succession devolves, having property situate outside of its limits or debts due by persons not residing therein, the heirs, or one or more of them, may apply to the Superior Court, or to one of the judges of the court, in the district in which the deceased had his domicile, or if he had none to the superior court or to one of the judges of the court in the district in which he died, for "letters of verification" of the heirs to whom the succession has devolved.

In what cases application may be made for letters of verification.

2. The application is made by a petition, setting forth the death of the person whose succession has devolved, the fact that he died without leaving a will, and having property situate outside the Province or debts due by persons not residing therein, the persons who are his heirs, their relationship to him and their filiation, and praying for letters of verification which declare what persons have been proved to be the heirs of the deceased and in what proportions.

Petition and its allegations.

3. The petition must be accompanied with an affidavit of the petitioner, or of a competent person, attesting the truth of the facts therein alleged.

Affidavit.