

perform the rites of burial may, and shall, upon being presented for that purpose (notwithstanding that such registers have been used,) be numbered, initialed and attested by the proper civil functionary in the same manner and with the same effect as if the said registers had not been previously used, and one duplicate thereof may in like manner and with the like effect be deposited with and received by the proper civil functionary; and a certificate of the bishop shall be sufficient evidence of any priest having been duly empowered as above mentioned.

8. Whenever the provisions of the preceding section shall have been complied with in respect of any register, such register and any extract therefrom shall be deemed and held to be authentic, and to be as legal and valid as if they had been made and kept in accordance with all the requirements of the law.

Such registers shall thereupon be authentic.

9. The word "Bishop" means the ordinary of the diocese, or his vicar general, or the administrator of the diocese.

Meaning of the word "bishop."

10. This act shall have no other effect than those of authorizing authentic registers to be kept and of legalizing those already kept, in the cases and in the manner hereinabove provided for, and shall have no other legal consequences, nor shall it in any wise affect, beyond its direct intent, the present civil position of parishes or *fabriques* now in existence.

This act shall not affect the rights of any existing parish or *fabrique*.

11. This act shall come into force on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Coming into force of this act.

## C A P. X V I I .

An Act further to amend the law respecting the Sale of the Property of Minors.

[Assented to 24th December, 1872.]

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

1. The act of this province, thirty-fifth Victoria, chapter seven, shall hereafter be read and interpreted as if each of the terms "immovable," "immovables" and "immovable property" included, and they shall hereafter be held to include, any capital sums belonging to minors or other persons incapable of acting for themselves, and all shares or

Interpretation of certain words of ch. 7, of 35 Vic.

interest of minors, or other persons so incapable, in any financial, commercial or manufacturing joint stock company.

### C A P . X V I I I .

An Act further to amend the law respecting the Sale of the Estates of Minors.

[Assented to 24th December, 1872.]

**H**ER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Further interpretation of 35 V., c. 7.

1. The act of this province, thirty-fifth Victoria, chapter seven, shall in future read and be interpreted as if each of the terms, "immovable," "immovables" and "immovable property" comprehended, and they shall be deemed to comprehend all immovable rights whatsoever belonging to minors.

### C A P . X I X .

An Act to amend the Acts relating to Settlers, 31 Victoria, chapter 20, and 32 Victoria, chapter 13.

[Assented to 24th December, 1872.]

**H**ER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, declares and enacts as follows:

Land of settlers exempt from hypothec or seizure except for the price thereof.

1. From and after the passing of this act, public lands which shall be conceded or granted to *bonâ fide* settlers in virtue of and in conformity with the provisions of the act thirty-second Victoria, chapter eleven, intituled: "An Act respecting the sale and management of public lands," and in conformity with the orders in council and regulations made under the authority of the said act shall not, except only for the price of such lands, be mortgaged or hypothecated by judgment or otherwise, nor seized nor sold, under authority of law, for any debt or debts contracted before the grant or concession of such lands, articles 2034 and 2121 of the civil code to the contrary notwithstanding; neither shall the right, title or interest of any settler in or upon any lot, so conceded or granted to him, be liable to seizure or sale under the authority of law.

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