with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

Students may -be examined at the meeting nearest the expiration of their arti-

Proviso: Whether before or after such expiration.

I. Notwithstanding any thing contained in the Act of the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, chaptered twenty-one, any candidate may present himself for examination and admission to the Notarial Profession, in conformity with the law, at the regular and ordinary meeting of the Board of Notaries which shall be held within the shortest period from the expiration of his Articles of Clerkship, whether such meeting takes place before or after the expiration of the said Articles of Clerkship: Provided always, that no candidate shall, if the Board of Notaries agree thereto, be excluded from permission to present himself for examination in order to admission to the Notarial Profession, at any extraordinary or special meeting of the Board, which in the opinion of the said Board will be the nearest in date to the expiration of the Articles of Clerkship, whether the said extraordinary or special meeting takes place previous to or after such expiration.

Transfers of articles may be registered within six months after this Act.

II. Any deposit and registration made by any Notarial Student within the six months next after the passing of this Act, of an authentic copy of the transfer or transfers of his Articles which may have been executed before this Act shall come into the passing of force, shall be as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as though such deposit had been made within the period prescribed by the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's reign, and chaptered forty-seven.

CAP. LVII.

An Act to amend the Act authorizing disinterments in certain cases in Lower Canada.

[Assented to 19th June, 1856.]

Preamble.

16 V. c. 174.

THEREAS it is expedient to amend the Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act to permit of disinterments in certain cases, and for other purposes therein mentioned: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

General permove all bodies from old to new ground.

I. Whenever it shall have been determined by competent mission to re- authority of the Roman Catholic Church in Lower Canada to remove any old burial ground, or to open a new burial ground, within any parish or mission of that Church in Lower Canada, it shall be lawful for any Judge of the Superior or of the Circuit Court for Lower Canada, on a petition being presented by the Parish Priest or Missionary, and by the majority of the Church Wardens of the Roman Catholic Church or Congregation to which such old burial ground belongs, or to whose use it is applied,

applied, to grant them a permission to cause or to allow all or any of the bodies buried in such old burial ground to be removed to such new burial ground.

II. It shall be the duty of such Parish Priest, Missionary or Register to Church Wardens, as the case may be, to cause a register to be be kept of kept of all bodies which shall be removed from such old burial such removals. ground, shewing, as far as may be possible, the names and surnames of the deceased whose bodies are so removed, and also the names and surnames of those requiring such removal, or that they were removed by order of such Priest or Missionary, and of the Church Wardens of such Church or Congregation.

- III. Such register shall be certified by such Priest or Mis-Register to be sionary ministering to the Church or Congregation to which certified. such old burial ground shall belong.
- IV. No application made to any such Priest or Missionary, Special applior to any such Church Wardens, for the removal of any particular body, shall be granted unless accompanied by an affibe supported by affidavit. davit as required by the first section of the Act hereby amended.

V. Such affidavit may be sworn to before a Judge or Com- How such missioner for receiving affidavits, or before the Priest or Mis- affidavit shall sionary, or before any of the said Church Wardens, all of be sworn. whom are hereby empowered to administer the requisite oath.

VI. The expression "burial ground" shall apply to any Interpretation. portion of a burial ground which shall be removed as aforesaid, and the words "Church Wardens" shall include any officers of a Roman Catholic Church or Congregation having the management of its burial ground, by whatever name they may be

VII. Before proceeding to any disinterment in any burial Permission for ground under this Act, permission to that effect shall be ob-disinterment tained from the Superior Ecclesiastical authority of the Roman to be obtained from Superior Catholic Diocese in which the same is situate.

Ecclesiastical Authorities.

CAP. LVIII.

An Act to amend the Act establishing Mutual Fire Insurance Companies in Lower Canada.

[Assented to 19th June, 1856.]

HEREAS it is expedient to amend the Act of the Legislature of Lower Canada, passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, King William the Fourth, intituled, An Act to authorize the establishment of Mutual Fire Insu- Act of L. C., rance Companies, so far as relates to double insurance, and to the 4 W. 4, c. 33. competency of witnesses and judges in suits where Insurance Companies