CAP. LII.

An Act to legalize the Articles of Notarial Students who have neglected to have them enregistered within the delay prescribed by law.

[Assented to 10th June, 1857.]

Notarial Students executed in Notarial form, and which have not been registered within the delay prescribed by law: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. The Articles of Notarial Students, executed in Notarial Articles may form, the registry of which was not made according to law, shall be considered to have been duly registered, if the said Articles are hereafter registered in conformity with the next section; Provided always, that the word "Articles" in this Act, shall include transfers of the Articles of Notarial Students, made in Notarial form.

II. If the registry of the said Articles has not already taken Registrymust place, the said registry shall be made within one year from the passing of this Act.

III. This Act shall apply to Lower Canada only.

Act limited to L. C.

CAP. LIII.

An Act further to amend the Acts relative to the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, and to the University of M'Gill College.

[Assented to 27th May, 1857.]

W HEREAS since the passing of the Act of the Parliament Preamble.

of this Province, made and passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled, An Act to enable the Corposition of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning to dispose of certain portions of land for the better support of the University of M'Gill College, and of the Act of the Parliament of this Province, made and passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled, An Act to amend two certain 16 V. c. 58. Acts therein mentioned, and for other purposes connected with the administration of M'Gill College, by which Acts the said Recital. Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning were in effect authorized to alienate and dispose in perpetuity of such portions of the lands, tenements and estate by them held or to be held in trust for M'Gill College aforesaid, as they may deem expedient

expedient for its support and advantage, the said lands in fact being holden en franc-aleu roturier, for an annual irredeemable ground rent (rente foncière non rachetable) and not otherwise, subject to such terms and conditions and with such formalities only of procedure as they may deem advantageous for the said College, it has been in effect in and by the Seignorial Amendment Act of 1856 enacted, that no land holden en franc-aleu roturier shall be charged with any such irredeemable rent, and that whenever any such rent shall be so stipulated, the capital thereof may be at any time redeemed at the option of the holder of the land charged therewith, on payment of the capital of such rent, calculated at the legal rate of interest; And whereas the said Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, Governors of M'Gill College aforesaid, have by their petition set forth the prejudice to the said College resulting from the fact of their being thus not authorized to dispose in perpetuity of their land otherwise than by a form of Contract which the law regards with disfavor and in effect prohibits, and of their being liable continually to have their investments thrown upon their hands without notice and at times favorable to their debtors, and therefore presumably unfavorable for re-investment, and have prayed for relief in the premises, and have also prayed that in order to enable them as well to defray certain unavoidable and unexpected expenditure which they have had to incur by reason of the recent destruction by fire of Burnside Hall, without sacrifice of real estate, as also to realize the full value of certain parts of their land which may not for some time be advantageously disposed of, they should be authorized to be row a further sum or sums of money upon the security of their real estate, or of any part or parts thereof, to an amount not exceeding Two Thousand Pounds over and above that of Three Thousand Pounds which at present they are authorized so to borrow; And whereas it is expedient to grant the said prayer of the said Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, and to empower them to dispose of their real estate, held or to be held, and also to borrow upon the security of the same, as hereinafter is provided: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

Lands belonging to M'Gill for a ground rent, which need not be stipulated as redeemable.

I. It shall be lawful for the said Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning to alienate and dispose in perpetuity of college may be disposed of all such portions of all lands, tenements and estate by them held or to be held in trust for M'Gill College aforesaid, or for any department or branch thereof, or for any Institution of Royal Foundation wholly or in part under their control, as they may deem expedient for the ends of such trust, for a ground rent (rente foncière) or otherwise, subject to all such terms and conditions, whether in reference to time and mode of redemption of any such rent or otherwise, and with such formalities only of procedure, as they may deem advisable; and no such rent which they shall thus stipulate shall be redeemable nor the capital capital thereof exigible, otherwise than at such time or times and in such mode and after such notice as may have been stipulated: Provided always, that if such rent be stipulated But it shall stipulated: Provided always, that it such tent be superacted always be re-irredeemable, or not redeemable within at least thirty years, it deemable after shall ipso facto become and be redeemable and exigible at the 30 years. expiration of such thirty years.

II. All sums of money from time to time to be received by Investment of the said Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, on funds received account of purchase money of any real estate by them alienated than as inor to be alienated, or on account of the capital of any ground rent come. shall be by them dealt with as capital only, and not as income, and shall be invested either in productive real estate, or upon security thereof, or in public stocks or securities of the United Kingdom or of this Province, as soon as possible, and in such wise as the said Royal Institution may deem most for the advantage of their trust; and such investments may from time to time be changed as occasion may require, so always as that all proceeds thereof be ever kept as capital and re-invested in the like manner; and the said Royal Institution for the Ad- Yearly statevancement of Learning shall at all times in their yearly state-ment of investments to ment of account rendered to the Governor of this Province be made to the specially and in detail state all such receipts and all such Governor. investments and re-investments as may have taken place during the year covered by such statement.

III. The said Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learn- Royal Instiing may further, from time to time, obtain and take any loan or tution may loans of money, upon such security, whether by hypothecation on hypothec, of their said lands or of any part or parts thereof or otherwise, &c. and upon such other terms and conditions as they may stipulate and assume: Provided always, that the total amount of such loan Proviso. or loans shall not at any one time, in the whole, exceed the sum of Five Thousand Pounds.

IV. This Act shall be a Public Act.

Public Act.

CAP. LIV.

An Act further to amend the Act intituled, An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in Lower Uanada.

[Assented to 27th May, 1857.]

THEREAS the Act passed in the twelfth year of the Preamble. VV Reign of Her Majesty, intituled, An Act to encourage 12 V. c. 57. the establishment of Building Societies in Lower Canada, provides that Building Societies formed under the provisions of the said Act, shall have the power of investing in the names of the President and Treasurer for the time being, any surplus funds, in the stock of any of the chartered Banks or other public securities of the Province; And whereas from the enhancement