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**An Act to amend the Act for the organization of the Notarial Profession in Lower Canada.
Assented to 30th May, 1855.**

Whereas great difficulty is frequently experienced, in procuring a *quorum* of the Members of the Boards of Notaries in Lower Canada, to be present on the days appointed for the meetings of the said Boards, more particularly in Districts in which the Members of the Board reside at a great distance from the place of holding the meetings thereof; And whereas it frequently happens that no business can be transacted at several consecutive meetings by reason of a *quorum* of the said Board not being present; And whereas in consequence of the delays to which candidates for admission to the study of the Notarial Profession are thus subjected, from their being unable to pass the examination required by law in order to such admission, the said candidates suffer great injustice and hardship, and it is expedient to provide a remedy therefor: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, as follows:

- I. Any person who shall have *bonâ fide* served under Articles of Clerkship duly executed, with any Notary practising as such in Lower Canada, and who shall previous to the execution thereof, have complied with ail other conditions and formalities prescribed by law in order to admission to the study of the Notarial Profession, but who shall not have undergone the examination required by law in consequence of the want of a *quorum* of Members of the Board for the District in which he shall reside, but who shall after the execution of the said Articles, at the first meeting of the said Board at which such a *quorum* for examination shall be present, have passed the necessary examination, maybe admitted to the practice of the Notarial Profession at the expiration of four or five years, as the case may be, according to the term of study fixed by his Articles of Clerkship, to be computed from the Date of the execution of the said Articles and not from the date of admission to the study of the Profession by the Notarial Board as heretofore; any thing in the Acts of one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven and one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, organizing the Notarial Profession, or in any other Act amending the same, to the contrary, notwithstanding.
- II. The delay for the registration of the Articles of Law Students fixed by the Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, chapter twenty, shall be held to have been in force up to this date, and shall continue to be in force for the period of six months after the passing of this Act.
- III. This Act shall be a Public Act.