

REGISTRATION.

Cap. 25—Provides for the renewal of Registry books when worn out, and the authentication of new books before and after the transcription of the contents of the old into them. The new book then has the same authenticity as the old. An article (2176 a) is added to the C. C., in which it is provided that a copy of a plan of any part of a registration division, made under c. 37 of C. S. L. C., and 27 and 28 V., c. 40, may by order of the L. G. in C. be filed in the Registrar's office, and the deposit announced by proclamation, after which the provisions of the Code apply. The C. C. L. may publish the books of reference of any society in the *Official Gazette*, after which such published copy has the force of the original. The part of Acton comprised in St. Fulgence de Durham forms part (and has since 15 October, 1861) of the Registration division of Bagot, but registrations made hitherto in Drummond are valid. The part of St. Hyacinthe, formerly part of St. Rosalie, forms part of the division of Bagot, with same reserve. The part of Kildare comprised in the parish of St. Liguori since the 30th June, 1864, has formed part of the division of Montcalm, with same reserve. That part of the parish of St. Jacques le Mineur, formerly in Napierville, is declared to have been since 2 November, 1867, in the second division of Huntingdon, under art. 2168 of G. C., with same reserve. Registrations there may be renewed until 2 Nov., 1870. To meet expenses of inspection and of making plans, &c., the L. G. may levy a percentage not exceeding 15 per cent. on Registrar's fees for renewal of registration in the first three of these cases, and Registrars are bound to account quarterly for such fees.

REGISTERS OF CIVIL STATUS.

Cap. 26—Art. 1236 C. C. P. is amended—the seal of the circuit as well as that of the superior court authenticates; and all Registers heretofore so authenticated are declared valid. In art. 45 strike out words, “or to the clerk of the circuit court instead of the Prothonotary in the case” &c., and insert, “or to the clerk of circuit court in the county, to be by such,” &c. Out of art. 47, strike out all referring to clerk of circuit court. Out of art. 48 strike the words, “or clerk.” Within 3 mos. after the passing of this act all clerks of circuit court must deliver the registers of Civil Status in their possession, to the Prothonotary of the superior court of the district. Besides the portions of the C. C. required by art. 1237, C. C. P., a copy of this act must be attached to the duplicate register.

BAR OF LOWER CANADA.

Cap. 27—The words “Province of Quebec” are everywhere substituted for “Lower Canada” in 29 and 30 V., c. 27. The general council may take legal recourse against any section for arrears of dues, and if on execution a sufficient sum is not produced to pay them the council may suspend such section from its privileges; but any member of such section paying his dues through another section may be rehabilitated. The general list of advocates and the list of each section, containing only the names of those who have paid their current dues and arrears, shall be published in each year before 1st May. But they may be amended in accordance with the by-laws of the council. Subscriptions and arrears may be collected in the district where due. The provisions of the 1st subs. of s. 31 of said act must be fulfilled under penalty of \$40, recoverable after 1 mo.'s notice, if meantime the name is not inscribed. Accused members may tender their own evidence. Not more than 20 members of each section are to be elected, after each general election, a committee of examination. No students shall be admitted except in the district in which he has studied for the last 6 mos. before examination. If rejected by one section or his examination adjourned, then he cannot present himself before another until after 6 mos. study in the latter. New sections hereafter constituted will not have the power of examination or admission to practice. Students who have not now registered their articles, may do so within 12 mos. before examination. Examiners are to meet every 6 months. The course of preliminary study must include, Latin Rudiments, Syntax, Method, Versification, Belles Lettres, Rhetoric and Philosophy, or the complete classical course of an incorporated college, seminary or university. Provision is made for the formation of advocates' associations in the new districts, for the purpose of acquiring a library for themselves and the judge of the district. Subscription to be \$5 per annum. Members of such association will only pay \$1 per annum under 29 and 30 v. c. 27 s. 33. Such association shall cease to exist as soon as a section of the bar is formed, when its books, &c., pass to the bar. Arthabaska forms part of the old district of Quebec, not of St. Francis or Three Rivers. Ss. 22, 23 and 24 of the C. S. L. C., c. 93, are repealed, except that portion of 24 applicable to payment of arrears due at the passing of this act.

THE LEGAL PROFESSION.

Cap. 28—Provides that any person duly admitted to practice law in any Province of B. N. A. which reciprocates, may be admitted to practice in this Province, upon production of proper credentials of having there passed, and of good character and conduct, and passing an examination before some section of the Quebec bar. Any person admitted to practice in any of the Provinces of the Dominion, which reciprocate, is entitled to appear and practice before any Court having penal or criminal jurisdiction in Quebec.

FIRE MARSHALS OR COMMISSIONERS.

Cap. 29.—Ss. 14 & 15 of 31 Vic., c. 33, are repealed, so far as relates to Montreal, and it is provided that the salary of the Fire Marshal shall there be \$1600 (to be equally divided between the incumbents of the office when more than one.) payable by the city, together with 20 cts. for each subpoena, and 5 cts. for each copy; and 50 cts. for each warrant of arrest or commitment. Two-thirds of the amount is recoverable from the Insurance Companies doing business there. In both cities the Fire Marshals are hereafter to be known as “Fire Commissioners.”

SEIGNIORIAL CADASTRES.

Cap. 30—Provides that the cadastres are a final title to the constituted rents established thereby to the seignior of any fief or seigniority until their redemption, and no renewal deeds are necessary by reason of mutation of the seignior or the censitaires. S. 90 of C. S. L. C.,