

BILL.

An Act to declare the intention of the Law organizing the Notarial Profession with respect to the study of that Profession.

5 **W**HEREAS serious inconvenience results from the interpretation put upon the fourteenth Section of the Act passed in the Session held in the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "*An Act for the organization of the Notarial Profession in that part of this Province called Lower Canada;*" Be it therefore declared and enacted, &c.,

Preamble, 10 and 11 V. c. 21.

10 That the intention of the said Act expressed in the words "has *bona fide* served a regular clerkship, (under articles in writing deposited among the minutes of some practising Notary,) during five consecutive years, with a Notary duly appointed, practising as such in Lower Canada, or during four consecutive years, if, &c.," is that the candidate for admission to the Notarial Profession shall prove that he has served a sufficient length of time as provided by the Act above cited, and that the word "consecutive" means that there shall not have been an interruption of more than three months in the service of such candidate.

Certain words in Sect. 14 explained.

II. And be it declared and enacted, That an interruption of not more than three months in the service of any candidate for admission to the Notarial Profession, shall not prevent his examination or constitute in any manner an objection to his being admitted.

Interruption not less than three months to be no objection.

20 III. And be it enacted, That this Act shall extend and be applied to any student presenting himself before any Board of Notaries in Lower Canada, whether the interruption herein before referred to occurred before or after the passing of this Act.

To what cases the Act shall extend.