

BILL.

An Act to explain and amend the Act to allow Notaries to call meetings of relations and friends, in certain cases, without being thereto specially authorized by a Judge, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS serious inconvenience has arisen from the different Preamble.
 interpretations which have been put upon the 4th Section
 of the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and 14 and 15 Vic
 fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled "*An Act to* cap. 53.
 5 "*allow Notaries to call meetings of relatives and friends, in cer-*
 "*tain cases, without being thereto specially authorized by a*
 "*Judge,*" with regard to the power of the Judge or Judges of the
 Superior Court or of the Circuit Court for Lower Canada, to homo-
 10 logate or refuse to homologate, according to circumstances, the pro-
 ceedings had before a Notary or Notaries for Lower Canada, under
 the Act above cited; And whereas it is expedient to remove all
 doubts and difficulties on this subject; Be it therefore declared and
 enacted, &c.,

That the true intent of the said Act was and is, that the Judges or The Judges
 15 any one of the Judges of the Superior Court or of the Circuit Court have authority
 for Lower Canada, have and has full power and authority to homo- to homologate
 logate or to refuse to homologate, according to circumstances, all or to refuse to
 or any such proceedings had before Notaries for Lower Canada, homologate
 under the Act above cited, and to do, make and grant such Acts, proceedings
 20 orders and appointments and in as full and ample a manner, as if had before
 the relations and friends had been present, and had personally given Notaries,
 their opinion before such Judge or Judges upon the matter in according to
 question. circumstances.

II. And be it enacted, That this Act shall have force and effect Commence-
 25 immediately after the passing thereof. ment of this
Act.