

*recorded in
Prothonotary's
office*

of an exemplification of the same, to the Superior Court for Lower Canada, or any of the Judges thereof, to require and have the same recorded in the office of the Prothonotary of the said Court in any one of the Districts of Lower Canada; and when so recorded, a copy thereof certified by the Prothonotary under the seal of the said Court, shall have the same force and effect, and to the same extent as such exemplification in all or any of the cases in the preceding Section of this Act mentioned and referred to.

*Invalidity
may be es-
tablished*

IV. Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall prevent any party in any such suit, action or proceeding from establishing, by proper means of evidence, the invalidity of such will or of the probate thereof.

*Penalty of
forgery, signa-
tures, &c.*

V. And be it enacted, That if any person shall forge the seal or signature to any such exemplification or certified copy as is hereinbefore mentioned, or shall tender in evidence any such exemplification or certified copy, with false or counterfeit seal or signature thereto, knowing the same to be false or counterfeit; or if any person shall forge the signature of any Judge as aforesaid, to any decree, order, certificate, affidavit or other judicial or official document, or shall tender in evidence any order, decree, certificate, affidavit or other judicial or official document, with a false or counterfeit signature of any such Judge as aforesaid thereto knowing the same to be false or counterfeit, every such person shall be guilty of felony, and shall, upon conviction be liable to imprisonment in the Provincial Penitentiary for any term not less than two nor more than five years: in the discretion of the Court before whom the conviction shall be had.

*Certificate of
marriage &c.,
duly signed to
be authentic.*

VI. And be it enacted, That any certificate of a marriage of persons married without the limits of Lower Canada, any certificate of a baptism of a person baptized without the same limits, and any certificate of a person having been buried without such limits under the hand of the Clergyman or Minister who may have officiated at such marriage, baptism or burial, shall, in all Courts of Justice in Lower Canada, be held to be authentic, and no other evidence shall be required of the truth thereof.

*Extract from
register of
marriages &c.,
duly certified
to be au-
thentic.*

VII. And be it further enacted, That an extract from a register of marriage, births and burials, kept without the limits of this Province shall, if certified by the Clergyman or Minister, or public officer, having the legal custody thereof, be, in like manner, held to be authentic, and no further proof of the contents thereof required.

*Proviso.
Parties may*

VIII. Provided always, That it shall be competent to any party to a suit to deny the truth of any of the said certificates or extracts,