

instead of furnishing one copy of a deed would furnish two and would receive the fees now paid to the registrar.

On the other hand the public would no longer need be apprehensive of errors by copyists in the books of the registrar, and the government would no longer suffer any loss on the sale of registration stamps.

All such copies made on such uniform stamped paper would afterwards be bound up in volumes and the work of the registrar would thereby be greatly diminished.

I can at present merely suggest a few ideas touching the changes in the manner of registering deeds, but much more is required and a complete code of registration should be enacted.

This would be much better than be constantly amending the registration laws at each session as at present.—All will probably acknowledge the necessity and utility of such work, but who shall undertake it?

Well! I would not be disinclined to recommend that the Board of Notaries should appropriate a certain portion of the funds which it has in hands, to have this task performed by some person having sufficient leisure and endowed with the necessary ability to undertake such a task and follow it up to success and I do not hesitate to say that such a use of our funds, would be very profitable to every member of our profession.

The board has found another way of utilizing its funds in the interest of each member of the profession, viz: by purchasing for gratuitous distribution among notaries having paid their contribution, the statutes of each session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec.

In this way notaries who formerly, by negligence or otherwise did not acquire these statutes—and the number of such Notaries was unfortunately too great—may now follow the course of our Provincial Legislation. For want of pecuniary means our Board has for a long time necessarily remained inactive and has been unable to take any action, respective legislative measures too often accepted without serious and mature consideration.