An Act to prevent Claims secured by special Privilege or Hypothec on Real Property in Lower Canada, duly registered, from being lost by any subsequent Judicial Sale or Confirmation of Title.

HEREAS the Registry Laws are intended for the pro-Preamble. tection of those who comply with their requirements. and since the establishment of Registry Offices in Lower Canada, the hypothecs specially charged upon any real property 5 and duly registered, can be readily ascertained, and it is unjust that parties who have lent money, or allowed credit for the price of property sold, on the security of such hypothecs, should be exposed to lose the same if they fail formally to oppose proceedings of which they receive no personal notice and of which 10 they may be wholly unaware; and this risk of loss discourages the introduction of Capital into Lower Canada, and the loan thereof for the improvement of real property, and obstructs the sale of land on credit; And whereas the reasons which formerly rendered such risk unavoidable no longer exist: 15 Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. It shall not hereafter be necessary that any opposition be Special prityled in any case of application for a judgment of confirmation, vileges and 20 under the Act of Lower Canada, 9 George the Fourth, chapter hypothecs duly registertwenty, for the more effectual extinction of secret incumbrances ed not to be of lands, in order to preserve any privilege or hypothec for discharged by a sum of money specified and upon real property described confirmation of title, unless in the instrument or memorial registered for preserving such special pro-25 privilege, or any conventional hypothec duly constituted under ceedings are the twenty-eighth section of the Lower Canada Registry Ordi-this Act. nance, 4 Victoria, chapter thirty, for securing any sum of money specified in the instrument creating such hypothec, on real property therein specially described, if such privilege or 30 hypothec be duly registered under the said Ordinance and the Acis amending it before the first publication of the notice that such application will be made: and unless special proceedings under the next following section of this Act are taken in such case, the judgment of confirmation shall not discharge any such 35 privilege or hypothec as aforesaid, but shall be obtained subject thereto.

II No privilege or conventional hypothec for securing any Hypothecs for life-rent (rente viàgèrs) or any payment depending on a con-payments detingency, shall be within the meaning of the first section of this lending on