Advocates relinquishing practice may obtain exemption on certain conditions.

II. And be it declared and enacted, That any and every person who, at the time of the passing of the first of the aforesaid Acts, was, now is, or hereafter shall be, in the practice of the law in any of the Courts of Lower Canada, and who may be desirous of relinquishing such practice, and to withdraw himself from the profession and practice of the law, and from the liabilities imposed by the above recited Acts, is and shall be free and at full liberty so to do, on giving to the Prothonotary of the Court in which he may have practised, to be preserved 10 by him among the records or remembrances in his office. a written notice, signed by himself, and signifying his intention to that effect, and on paying up all arrears that may be due by him at the time of his relinquishment. including the subscription, contributions, due or dues to 15 the common fund for the current year, which requirements being complied with and accomplished, the person complying with and accomplishing the same shall thereupon and for ever thereafter be exempt from the operation of either and both of the aforesaid Acts, and from the pay- 20 ment of the subscriptions, contributions, taxes or charges thereby imposed on practitioners of the law.

Such persons may return to practice.

III. Provided always and be it enacted, That any person who already has so relinquished, or hereafter shall relinquish the practice of the law may, when he shall see 25 fit, resume it; in which case he shall again be subject and liable to the provisions of the two aforesaid Acts.