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In a new country where foreign capital is absolutely required not only to stimulate agricultural prosperity, but to encourage manufactures to induce capitalists to invest, it is necessary that the true condition of real estate be easily ascertained as regards titles in order to offer good security. The present system has proved successful in affording, this much to be desired result.

Fully convinced of the effectiveness of the new law, we consider that we are offering great advantages to professional men and all others engaged in business by publishing an extract of the books of reference and a copy of the official map of the Saint Ann's Ward.

These maps have been lithographed under the special supervision of Messrs. Blaiklock & Lionais surveyors and draughtsmen connected with the office of the *Cadastre*.

This publication is merely the first part of a complete work which shall be issued for the whole City of Montreal accordingly as the survey and *cadastre* shall have taken place.

The book of reference is accompanied by an alphabetical table carefully compiled.

All the names of the different proprietors will be found therein, even in the case of proprietorship *par-indivis*. If the names of any heirs in a particular succession be known, the number or numbers of the lots belonging to each shall be found opposite the respective names, so also in the case of possession in copartnership or in case of possession by a wife separated as to property from her husband. By this means of reference it may at once be ascertained who are heirs in any succession, the names of persons forming a partnership and the names of husband and wife where the latter is proprietor.

Despite all the efforts that have been made to ensure correctness in this cadastre a few errors may have been overlooked. Persons interested in rectifying such errors, if any there be, can always do so by applying to the Registrar of this Division.