

An Act to prevent the sale of the property of others.

HER MAJESTY, &c., enacts as follows:

1. The sale of an immoveable belonging to another is void.
2. The alienation of any property, the alienor not being the owner, shall be deemed the sale of the property of another.
- 5 3. If the purchaser is not aware that the property belongs to another, he shall have an action of damages, besides the right of reclaiming what he has paid.
4. *Bona Fide* purchasers shall in such cases, retain the profits (*fruits*) which may have accrued to them before being troubled by the
10 true proprietor.
5. The trouble referred to in the next preceding section shall only be established and declared by means of an action at law, brought by the true proprietor.
6. The title under which any person acquires the property of another
15 may serve as the basis for prescription against the right of property, if the purchaser was so *bona fide*, and if such title has been registered; but such prescription shall only begin to operate from the date of the registration of the title.
7. Any party to an exchange, who is evicted from the immoveable
20 which he shall have received in exchange, or from any part thereof, may elect to claim damages, or to demand the return of the immoveable he has given in exchange, and any difference of value (*soulte*) that he may have paid.
8. When one of the parties to the exchange has received the thing
25 given to him in exchange, and he afterwards proves that the other contracting party was not the owner thereof, the latter may be compelled to restore the thing which he has received.