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An Act to explain and amend the Laws relating to the Recognizances of Registrars of Deeds in Lower Canada, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS in and by an Ordinance of the Legislature Preamble.
of the Province of Lower Canada passed in the Fourth
Year of Her Majesty's Reign and intituled, "An Ordinance
"to prescribe and regulate the Registering of Titles to Lands
5 "tenements and hereditaments real or immoveable Estates,
"and of charges and incumbrances on the same, and for the
"alteration and improvement of the Law in certain particulars
" in relation to the alienation and hypothecation of Real Estates
" and the rights and interests acquired therein," it was amongst
10 other things in effect ordained and enacted that the Registrars
of Deeds for the several Districts in the said Ordinance men-
tioned should severally and respectively, before taking upon
themselves the duties of their offices enter into recognizances in
the several and respective penal sums therein mentioned, con-
15 ditioned for the due and faithful performance of the said
duties: and whereas in and by an Act of the Parliament of
this Province passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's
Reign, intituled "An Act to amend the Ordinance provid-
"ing for the Registration of Titles to Real Property or in-
20 "cumbrances thereon in Lower Canada; and further to
"extend the time allowed by the said Ordinance for
"the Registration of certain claims," so much of the said
Ordinance as provided for the establishment of a Registry
Office and the appointment of a Registrar in and for each
25 of the Districts therein mentioned was repealed, and it
was amongst other things in effect enacted that a Registry
Office should be established and a Registrar should be ap-
pointed in and of each and every County in Lower Canada;
And whereas by various subsequent Acts several of the said
30 Counties have been divided into Districts or Divisions for the
purposes of the said Ordinance and Act and of other Acts
relating to the registration of Deeds and other documents
affecting real property in Lower Canada; And whereas
doubts have arisen as to whether the Registrars of and for
35 Counties or portions of Counties as aforesaid are bound to
enter into such recognizances as aforesaid; And whereas also
the several penal sums in the said Ordinance mentioned are
disproportioned to the extent and population of the Counties
severally and respectively substituted to the Districts in the
40 said Ordinance mentioned, and still more so to the extent and
population of the Registration Districts and Registration