

favour of the plaintiff, against the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada, and such judgment shall confer upon the said person all the privileges and immunities which a license of the same purport from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada would or could confer: Provided also, that it shall be lawful for any person who may be prosecuted within twelve months from the passing of this Act, by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada, before any Justice of the Peace within Lower Canada, for practising Physic, Surgery or Midwifery without a license, to allege and prove in defence to such action the facts which would entitle him to a license to practice as aforesaid under the provisions of this Act, and if the said facts shall be duly proved, such Justice of the Peace shall dismiss such prosecution or action with costs against the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada.

Proviso: facts which would entitle to a license to be a defence for practising without one.

VI. And be it enacted, That if any person shall forge the seal or signature or signatures to any Medical Degree or Diploma, hereinbefore mentioned, or shall tender in evidence any such Medical Degree or Diploma with a false or counterfeit seal or signature or signatures thereto, knowing the same to be false or counterfeit, or if any person shall forge the signature or signatures of any licensed Physician or Physicians or of a Justice of the Peace, to any certificate of qualification or affidavit hereinbefore mentioned, or shall tender in evidence before any Court of Justice, or before the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada, any such certificate of qualification or affidavit with false or counterfeit signature or signatures, knowing the same to be false or counterfeit, every such person shall be guilty of felony, and shall, upon conviction, be liable to imprisonment in the Provincial Penitentiary for any term not less than *two* nor more than *five* years.

Forging Diploma, &c., to be felony.

SCHEDULE (A.)

We the undersigned licensed Physicians, residing in the District of _____, in the Province of Canada, hereby severally certify that we believe C. D. of _____ in the County of _____ in the said Province, to be qualified to practise Physic, Surgery and Midwifery in Lower Canada.

Dated at _____

this _____

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