

*Proviso.* of such documents respectively : And provided also that the registers which have been so kept, and the several entries therein, according to the laws of Lower Canada aforesaid, as well as authentic copies of such entries, shall, to all intents and purposes, be good and available in law as if the said registers had been kept pursuant to any Act, Statute, or Law of or in Lower Canada previous hereto, in relation to registers of births, baptisms, or deaths : Provided further, that all and every the regulations and requirements of Acts, Statutes, or Laws with respect to the registers therein mentioned, be also observed with respect to the registers to be kept pursuant to this Act. 5 10

*Duplicate register to become property of congregation when their connection with pastor ceases.* III. Provided always, That whenever the connection between any such Minister or Pastor and the said Congregation shall cease, the duplicate of the registers kept by the said Ministers or Pastors shall be the property of the said Congregation, and shall be deposited with the Trustees thereof, to be kept by the successor of such Minister or Pastor for the use of the said Congregation. 15

*Laws to be complied with in keeping of Registers.* IV. The said Ministers or Pastors shall in all respects comply with and be governed by the Acts, Statutes, and Laws at present in force, in the keeping of the said registers. and shall in case of disobedience to the requirements thereof be liable to the penalties in like cases therein imposed, which penalties shall be recoverable, paid, applied, and accounted for in the same manner as the penalties imposed by them are therein directed to be paid, applied and accounted for. 20