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the Registrars of Deeds should receive and file the certificates so proved, &c., and enter the same in a Record Book to be kept for that purpose, for which entry he should be entitled to a fee of 1s. 3d.

The Book to be open at all times to inspection on payment of a fee of 1s.

That such certificates, as soon as filed, should be published in the *Royal Gazette* for two consecutive weeks.

Penalties of £15 for omitting to make, file and publish the certificate; and a further penalty of £2 10s. for each days' neglect in omitting to do so, after notice from a creditor, or any persons dealing with the firm, are imposed, and are made recoverable by the Clerk of the Peace, for the use of the County.

The rights of third parties, as against the firm, were not to be affected by the Act; and provision was made, that copy of the certificate filed, certified by the Registrar, should be *prima facie* evidence of the co-partnership.

In *Ontario and Nova Scotia*, there is no Act of this nature establishing penalties; and in *New Brunswick* it is comparatively nugatory—the right of third parties not being affected, no private prosecution for the penalty being given, and the fine, when collected, going to the County, no one seeks to enforce the penalties, and certificates are not filed as required by law.

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