

according to its tenor, as if it had been executed before Notaries, and shall, as well as the copies thereof duly certified, be taken and received as valid and authentic in all Her Majesty's Courts of Law in this Province, as if executed before Notaries, any Law, Statute, or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

And also, those
executed subae-
quently to 1st
May, 1840.

Proviso.

II. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that any Will, Act, or Agreement in writing, Inventory, *Partage*, Donation, or Contract of Marriage, executed within the said Inferior District of Gaspé, after the said first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty, in the manner prescribed by the tenth Section of the Act last mentioned, and with regard to which all the requirements of the said Section shall have been complied with, shall bear Hypothec, and shall have the same legal effect, according to its tenor, as if it had been executed before Notaries, and shall as well as the copies thereof, duly certified, be taken and received as valid and authentic in all Her Majesty's Courts of Law in this Province as if executed before Notaries : Provided always, that this Section shall have no force or effect with regard to any Will, Act, or Agreement in writing, Inventory, *Partage*, Donation, or Contract of Marriage so executed, if there shall have been two Notaries resident and practising in the County in which the same shall have been executed at the time of the execution thereof, and during two months before that time, but the proof that there were two Notaries so residing and practising shall in all cases lie upon the party disputing the validity of any such Act or Instrument as aforesaid, and if such proof be not adduced, it shall be held and considered that there were not two Notaries so resident and practising at the time such Act or Instrument was executed.

C. POULETT THOMSON.

Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, and passed in Special Council, under the Great Seal of the Province, at the Government House, in the City of Montreal, the Thirtieth day of April, in the third year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk Special Council.

C A P.