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An Act for the Protection of British and American Patentees of Inventions and the encouragement of Arts and Manufactures in this Province.

WHERAS, it is highly desirable that the Inhabitants of this Province should be placed in a position to derive advantage from discoveries in the useful Arts and Manufactures made in other parts of the British Empire and in the United States of America, so far as may be consistent with justice to the parties making such discoveries ; Be it therefore enacted, &c.

Preamble.

That any person, or the assignee of any person, who has obtained in Great Britain or in any of the British Colonies or in the United States of America, Letters Patent of Invention for any new and useful Art, Manufacture, Machine or Composition of Matter, or for any new and useful improvement upon any Art, Machine, Manufacture or Composition of Matter, may secure to himself all the privileges conferred by Letters Patent of Invention issued in this Province under the now existing laws, by causing such Letters Patent so as aforesaid obtained to be enregistered at full length in the Office of the Registrar of the Province within six months from and after the passing of this Act ; and any person, or the assignee of any person, who may hereafter obtain in Great Britain or in any of the British Colonies, or in the United States of America, Letters Patent of Invention for any new and useful Art, Manufacture, Machine or Composition of Matter or any new and useful improvement upon any Art, Machine, Manufacture or Composition of Matter, may secure to himself all the privileges conferred by Letters Patent of Invention issued in this Province under the now existing laws by causing such Letters Patent so as last aforesaid obtained to be enregistered at full length in the Office of the Registrar of the Province within six months from and after the date of such last mentioned Letters Patent.

Holders of Letters Patent of Invention obtained in Great Britain or in any British Colony or in the United States of America may by enregistering the same in Canada, secure to themselves all the privileges conferred by Canadian Letters Patent.

II. And be it enacted, That every such Patentee or Assignee of a Patentee, for the purpose of causing such Letters Patent to be enregistered in this Province, shall make a written application, signed by himself or by his duly appointed Attorney, to the Minister of Agriculture, and shall transmit to him duly authenticated copies in duplicate of such Letters Patent, and of the Specifications, Descriptions and Drawings attached or belonging thereto, and shall, at the time of his

Proceedings to be adopted for causing such Letters Patent to be enregistered