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Legis Council

BILL.

An Act to make better provision for the protection of the Property of persons dying intestate in this Province.

WHEREAS, it frequently happens that
persons die intestate in this Province,
possessed of considerable property, and without
leaving any near relatives residing therein;
5 and whereas in many instances such rela-
tives, being in indigent circumstances, may
be unable to procure satisfactory security for
the due administration of the effects of such
intestate, and whereas it is expedient that
10 every precaution should be used to prevent
the property of such persons so dying intestate
from being squandered or wasted; Be it there-
fore enacted, &c.

Preamble.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority
15 of the same, That the Register of each Coun-
ty, in each and every District in this Pro-
vince, shall be Administrator of the County
within which he is appointed, whose duty
it shall be to apply for and take out letters
20 of administration to all persons as aforesaid,
dying intestate within such County. Pro-
vided always that nothing herein contained
shall prevent administration from being
granted in the discretion of the Judge having
25 authority to grant the same to the next of
kin residing within this Province, upon giv-
ing good and sufficient security to the satis-
faction of the Judge of the Court granting
such administration, duly to administer the
30 personal estate and effects of the said person
so dying intestate as aforesaid.

Governor may
appoint an Ad-
ministrator in
each district.

Proviso.

III. And be it enacted, That each of such
County Administrators shall, before entering
upon the duties of his Office, give security to

Administra-
tors shall give
security.