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To MM. the REGISTRARS members of the "Association of the Registrars of the Province of Quebec."

GENTLEMEN,

I am happy to lay before you the fifth Annual Record

and the third issue of the Repertory.

You must be indulgent in your appreciations of this work, which is continually increasing, but I am sorry myself to admit the relative inferiority of such a work which should be more finical and worthy of attention.

The only merit, to my sense, is the agglomeration of a certain quantity of questions with a discussion on the matter, which I would have been so happy to study much more, in order to elucidate all controversible rights therein contained, and therefore arrive to a more

accurate and perfect solution.

The want of time and the weakeness of my sight deprived me of this pleasure, and I thought it better to offer you an opuscule which your talents and your knowledge of the law will induce you to study more attentively, in order to provoke a more elaborate and scientific discussion at our next sesion.

As usual, I have been always expecting, but without success, your active cooperation in favor of our Annual Record. I must admit a great want of perfection which

I cannot fill myself.

It seems to me that our association should have had a better tendance against the routine and should aim at a better and nobler destiny, viz:—The perfection of our hypothecary system. And who, more than the Registrar, should be more apt and in a better position to advocate the best reasons in favor of such a perfection?

Would you believe, for a moment, that our association should limitate its action to the annual meeting of its members for the only sake of promoting the politeness and urbanity which is so becoming amongst them?