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An Act for the relief of certain Law Students in Lower Canada.

WHEREAS certain Students at Law in Lower Canada have in good Preamble. faith, though erroneously, supposed that Articles of Clerkship are not necessary to enable those who have served three years with a practicing Attorney and taken a Degree in Law in a University or College to be admitted to the Bar in Lower Canada, and have studied and served for some time under such erroneous impression, and it is expedient to afford relief to such Students by giving them the benefit of such study and service: therefore Her Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

I. It shall be lawful for the Council of any Section of the Bar of Lower Canada to admit to practice as a Barrister, Advocate, Attorney, Solicitor and Proctor, any Student at Law, otherwise duly qualified, who shall in any incorporated University or College in which a Faculty of Law is established have followed, before the passing of this Act, a regular and complete course of Law, as provided by the Statutes or regulations of the said University or College, and shall, before the passing of this Act, have taken a Degree in Law in such University or College, provided it shall appear to such Council that such Law Student has served a *bonâ fide* and continued Clerkship of three years, before the passing of this Act, with a practicing Attorney, and that Articles of Clerkship were duly entered into by him at least two years before the passing of this Act, and duly enregistered.

Students at Law otherwise qualified may be admitted to the Bar in Lower Canada on proof of having taken a Degree in Law and served three years with practicing Attorneys before the passing of this Act, if articled two years before its passing.