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## BILL.

An Act to repeal certain portions of the Act to assign fixed annual salaries to certain Officers of Justice in Lower Canada, and to form a special Fund out of the salaries, fees, emoluments and pecuniary benefits attached to their offices.

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An Act to repeal so much of the Act 13 and 14 Vict., cap. 37, as relates to the compilation and publication of the decisions of the Tribunals in Lower Canada.

**W**HEREAS great changes have been made in the Judicial System of Lower Canada since the passing of the Act 13 and 14 Vict., cap. 37, intituled "*An Act to assign fixed annual salaries to certain officers of Justice in Lower Canada, and to form a special Fund out of the salaries, fees, emoluments and pecuniary profits attached to their offices,*" the Districts then existing having been subdivided into divers new Districts; And whereas there are Officers of Justice at present receiving no salary, and who are paid only by fees of office amounting to very moderate sums, and it is unjust to make them pay an equal portion of the cost of the compilation and publication of the decisions of the Courts and Tribunals of Lower Canada; And whereas the compilation and publication of the said decisions in the manner provided by the said Act cannot now answer the purpose contemplated by the Legislature, and it would be more advisable to leave it open to competition; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. From and after the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, the thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth sections of the said Act, and any other provisions thereof which relate to the compilation and publication of the decisions of the Tribunals of Lower Canada shall be repealed, and shall cease to have force and effect, except that all rights actually accrued by virtue of the said sections and provisions before the repeal thereof, shall remain valid and may be enforced, and all the sums due under the said repealed provisions may be recovered under the said Act as though the said sections and provisions had not been repealed.

So much of the Act as relates to the compilation and publication of judicial decisions in Lower Canada repealed: saving rights accrued.