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An Act to regulate the amount of security to be given by the Registrars of Lower Canada.

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An Act to regulate the amount of security to be given by the Registrars of Lower Canada.

WHEREAS by an Act passed by the Legislature of the Province of Canada, in the eighteenth year of Her

Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act to establish a Registry Office in and for each Electoral County in Lower Canada*,^{18 V. c. 99.}

5 the responsibility attached to Registrars has been greatly diminished by the reduction of the limits within which their duties are confined; And whereas the several penal sums required by *An Act to explain and amend the Laws relating to the registration of Deeds in Lower Canada*,^{14 & 15 V. c. 93.} passed in the

10 session of the said Legislature held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, to be inserted in any recognizance entered into by any Registrar, were fixed for Counties of greater extent than those to which the first above mentioned Act refers, and it is therefore just to reduce the amount of the same:

15 Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

I. Notwithstanding any thing contained in the second section of the said *Act to explain and amend the laws relating to the registration of Deeds in Lower Canada*, the penal sum in any recognizance to be entered into by any Registrar hereafter for any County for Registration purposes, under the first above mentioned Act, shall be one thousand pounds; Provided always, that the foregoing provisions of this Act shall in no wise affect or alter the amount of security given or to be given by the Registrars of the Registration divisions of Quebec, Montreal, Three-Rivers, and Sherbrooke, which shall continue to be the amount established for them respectively before the passing of this Act.

20 II. No Registrar appointed since the passing of the said first mentioned Act, nor his sureties shall be liable henceforth, under recognizance entered into and now in force, for any greater amount than the said penal sum of one thousand pounds which would require to be inserted in a recognizance entered into by such Registrar after the passing of this Act; but the penal sum in any such recognizance heretofore entered into, and now in force as aforesaid, is hereby reduced to the amount by this Act fixed and prescribed.

Amount of security to be given hereafter reduced, notwithstanding
14 & 15 V. c. 93.

Proviso : Exceptions as to certain Registration divisions.

Amount of existing security reduced.