

## BILL.

### An Act to amend the Heir and Devisee Act.

**W**HEREAS by the second section of the Act of the Preamble.  
Parliament of this Province, passed in the eighth  
year of Her Majesty's Reign, chaptered 8, and intituled,  
"An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to 8 Vict. c. 8.  
5 "make better provision for the relief of parties claiming  
"lands in Upper Canada for which no patent hath issued, as  
"representing the original Nominees of the Crown," it is en-  
acted that it shall be lawful for the Governor of this Pro-  
10 vince, from time to time to issue such and so many commis-  
sions, under the great seal of this Province, to the Chief  
Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench  
for Upper Canada, the Vice-Chancellor of Upper  
Canada and the Puisné Justices of the said Court of  
15 Queen's Bench, and to such and so many other per-  
sons as he shall see fit; and such Commissioners,  
or any three of them, of whom the said Chief Jus-  
tice, the said Vice-Chancellor or one of the said Puisné  
Justices shall be one, shall form a *quorum* and have full  
power and authority for all the purposes of the said Act;  
20 and whereas, by a certain Act, passed in the twelfth  
year of Her Majesty's Reign, chaptered 63, and intituled,  
"An Act to make further provision for the Administration 12 Vict. c. 63.  
"of Justice by the establishment of an additional Superior  
"Court of Common Law, and also a Court of Error and  
25 "Appeal in Upper Canada, and for other purposes," an  
additional Court of Common Law, called the "Court of  
Common Pleas," consisting of a Chief Justice and two  
Puisné Judges, has been constituted and established; and  
by a certain other Act, passed in the said twelfth year of  
30 Her Majesty's Reign, chaptered 64, and intituled, "An 12 Vict. c. 64.  
"Act for the more effectual Administration of Justice in  
"the Court of Chancery in the late Province of Upper  
"Canada," it is enacted that the said Court of Chancery  
shall be presided over by a Chief Judge, to be called the  
35 Chancellor of Upper Canada, and two additional Judges,  
to be called Vice-Chancellors; and whereas it is expe-  
dient that the said second section of the first herein  
recited Act should be repealed, and power given to the  
Governor or person administering the Government to  
40 issue Commissions under the said first recited Act, as  
well to the said Chief Justice and Puisné Justices of the  
Court of Common Pleas, and the said Chancellor and  
Vice-Chancellors, as to the said Chief Justice and  
Puisné Justices of the said Court of Queen's Bench:  
45 Be it therefore enacted, &c.,