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## THE SENATE OF CANADA.

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### BILL.

[1900

An Act for the Relief of Gertrude Bessie Patterson.

**W**HEREAS Gertrude Bessie Patterson, of the Bayfield Preamble.  
Ranch, near the City of Calgary, in the District of  
Alberta, in the North-west Territories of Canada, wife of  
George Patterson, of the same place, rancher, has by her  
5 petition set forth, that on the eighth day of January, one  
thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, they were lawfully  
married at the City of Calgary aforesaid; that they cohabited  
together as husband and wife until in or about the month of  
10 October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, when  
he deserted her and has not since resided or cohabited with  
her; that shortly after he deserted her as aforesaid she learned  
that he had committed adultery at various times between the  
month of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six,  
15 and the date of his said desertion; that he has, since the month  
of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven,  
committed adultery on several occasions; and whereas she has  
humbly prayed that the said marriage may be dissolved and  
that she may be authorized to marry again, and that such fur-  
ther relief may be afforded her as is deemed meet; and  
20 whereas she has proved the said allegations of her petition,  
and it is expedient that the prayer thereof should be granted:  
Therefore Her Majesty by and with the advice and consent of  
the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as  
follows:—

25 **1.** The said marriage between the said Gertrude Bessie Marriage  
Patterson and George Patterson, her husband, is hereby dis- dissolved.  
solved and shall be henceforth null and void to all intents and  
purposes whatsoever.

**2.** The said Gertrude Bessie Patterson may, at any time Right to  
30 hereafter, marry any man whom she might lawfully marry marry again.  
if the said marriage with the said George Patterson had not  
been solemnized.