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BILL.

An Act to amend the Statutes of this Province respecting. Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property in Upper Canada, and to consolidate the same.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend and consolidate the Law of Upper Preamble Canada concerning mortgages and sales of personal property, and to repeal the Statutes now in force on that subject : Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enact as follows :

I. Every Mortgage, or conveyance intended to operate as a Mortgage, of What shall be goods and chattels, made in Upper Canada, which shall not be accompanied the validity of by an immediate delivery, and an actual and continued change of posses- a mortgage of sion of the things mortgaged, shall be absolutely null and void as against creditors of the Mortgagor, and against subsequent purchasers or Morga10 gees in good faith, unless the Mortgage or conveyance, or a true copy thereof, together with an affidavit of a witness thereto, sworn as hereinafter provided, of the due execution of the said Mortgage or conveyance, or of the due execution of the Mortgage or conveyance of which the copy filed purports to be a copy, together with an affidavit of the Mortgage, in writing, a copy of

- which authority shall be registered therewith (if such Agent be aware of all the circumstances connected therewith), that the Mortgagor therein named is justly and truly indebted to the Mortgagee in the sum mentioned therein, that it was executed in good faith and for the express purpose of securing the
- 20 payment of the money so justly due, and not for the purpose of protecting the goods and chattels mentioned therein against the creditors of the Mortgagor, or preventing the creditors of such Mortgagor from obtaining payment of any claim against him, shall be registered as hereinafter provided within five days from the execution thereof: And every Registration. 25 sale of goods and chattels, which shall not be accompanied by an What shall be
- immediate delivery and followed by an actual and continued change of necessary to a possession of the goods and chattels sold, shall be in writing, and such writ- such property. ing shall be a conveyance under the provisions of this Act, and shall be accompanied by an affidavit of a witness thereto of the due execution there-
- 30 of, and an affidavit of the bargainee, or his agent duly authorized in writing to take such conveyance, a copy of which authority shall be attached to such conveyance, that the sale is *bona fide* and for good consideration, as set forth in the said conveyance, and not for the purpose of holding or enabling the bargainee to hold the goods mentioned therein against the 35 creditors of the bargainor, and shall be registered as hereinafter provided, within from the executing thereof, otherwise such sale shall be absolutely void as against the creditors the bargainor and as against subsequent purchasers or Morgagees in good faith.

II. Any Mortgage of goods and chattels executed in good faith after the Mortgages of 40 passing of this Act, for the purpose of securing any past or future advances personals may be validly

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