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## BILL.

An Act to enable James Carlton Grant and others to confirm the Sale of certain Lands in the Town and Township of Hope, in the County of Durham, late of Reuben Pitkin Grant, deceased, and to execute conveyances of the same, notwithstanding their disability.

**W**HEREAS Reuben Pitkin Grant, late of the Town of Port Hope, <sup>Preamble.</sup> deceased, departed this life on or about the third day of September one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, having first made and published his last Will and Testament in writing, duly executed and attested in such manner as is by Law required for the bequest of Personal Estate but not sufficient for the devise of Real Estate, and which Will bears date on or about the Twenty-third day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and is, so far as the same relates to the Lands hereinafter mentioned, in the words and figures or to the purport and effect following (that is to say) “I will and positively order all my debts to be first paid, and next I will and positively order, that my dear and loving wife Elizabeth may have free and full controul of all my remaining worldly effects and estate, through and during her natural life, and at her decease to be equally divided amongst my children, but in case of her Marriage, then, I order that, at that period my dear Wife shall share equally with my children; And further, I do constitute and appoint James Grant of Port Hope, and Isaac B. Ostrom of Bowmanville, to be joint Executors to and with my loving Wife Elizabeth, to see to the legal and just execution of this my last Will and Testament”; And Whereas, the Personal Estate of the said Reuben Pitkin Grant was insufficient for payment of his debts, and the said James Grant, Isaac B. Ostrom and Elizabeth Grant, under the erroneous supposition that they were empowered to dispose of the said Testator’s real estate, for the purpose of the payment of his debts, without the intervention of the Courts of Law or Equity, sold and disposed of certain parts thereof, being the several lands mentioned and set forth in the Schedule to this Act marked A, comprising sixty-three Acres, and seventeen one-hundredths of an Acre, to one George Tate, Esquire, for the price or sum of seven hundred and eighty-nine pounds twelve shillings and sixpence, and they also sold and disposed of certain other parts thereof, being the several lands mentioned and set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed marked B, comprising a Building in the Town of Port Hope, to one John Knatchbull Roche, Esquire, at or for the price or sum of one hundred and thirty-seven pounds ten shillings, and by an Indenture of Bargain and Sale, bearing date on or about the ninth day of July now last past, and made between the said James Grant, Isaac B. Ostrom and