



BILL.

An Act for the relief of WILLIAM HENRY BERESFORD.

INASMUCH as William Henry Beresford, of the City of Preamble.
Toronto, Esquire, late a Captain in Her Majesty's Rifle
Brigade, hath by his Petition humbly set forth, that in the
month of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight
5 hundred and fifty, he was married to Emma Catherine Law-
rence, a spinster, then living in Montreal, that he and the
said Emma Catherine Lawrence, lived and cohabited together
as man and wife from the time of their marriage until the
month of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight
10 hundred and fifty-one, that unhappy differences caused by
great violence of temper and uncontrollable bursts of passion
on the part of the said Emma Catherine Lawrence, during
which his life was endangered, rendered it impossible for them
to continue to reside together, and that it was agreed between
15 them to live separate and apart, that at the time of their
separation the said Emma Catherine Lawrence left the abode
of the said William Henry Beresford with her brother, to
return to Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia, in the
month of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one,
20 that in the early part of last summer the said William Henry
Beresford had reason to believe that the said Emma Catherine
Lawrence had entered into and carried on an unlawful familia-
rity and criminal intercourse with Daniel Gallagher, a servant
in the employ of the said William Henry Beresford, before his
25 separation from the said Emma Catherine Lawrence, that
while the said William Henry Beresford was taking the ne-
cessary steps to satisfy himself of the guilt of the said Emma
Catherine Lawrence and obtain proof thereof at Rochester, in
the State of New York, near to which she resided with her
30 brother, as the said William Henry Beresford had been
led to believe, she the said Emma Catherine Lawrence
disappeared from her residence and afterwards was traced
to the City of Rochester aforesaid, where she and the
said Daniel Gallagher passed as man and wife under
35 the name of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bradfield, and whither
she had gone to be delivered of a child, that after
being discovered she the said Emma Catherine Lawrence
returned to her residence near Rochester, and on the four-
teenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and
40 fifty-two, she was delivered of a female child which died
on the thirtieth day of January now last past, that
in consequence of the residence abroad of the said Daniel
Gallagher, the said William Henry Beresford has been
unable to institute legal proceedings against him for such