

enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled "An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada"; and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the said Attainder of the said Aaron Stevens shall be and the same is hereby reversed, and the corruption of blood and forfeiture wrought by the said Attainder shall be and are hereby avoided and taken away so far as the same shall or may in anywise affect such portions of the Estate of him the said Aaron Stevens as have not already been declared forfeited and been sold under authority of Law; And such portions of the Estate of the said Aaron Stevens not already forfeited and sold as aforesaid are hereby vested in the same person persons or parties, whether claiming by will or otherwise, in the same manner and with the same and no other effect or consequence as to the rights of third parties in upon or with regard to such Estates as if the said Aaron Stevens had died without being so attainted as aforesaid: Provided always nevertheless that nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to or affect any goods or chattels, lands or tenements actually sold or conveyed by the said Commissioners of forfeited Estates under the said Act, or otherwise, or by any Public Officer or Minister of Justice acting on behalf of the Crown in that behalf, but all such goods and chattels, lands and tenements shall belong to the same parties and be dealt with in all respects as if this Act had not been passed.

Attainder reversed and consequent forfeiture avoided.

Proviso:
Except as to property sold under 59 Geo. III. c. 12, &c.

Recital.

II. And whereas it may be that certain parties have entered either wrongfully or otherwise into the possession of certain of the Estates of the said Aaron Stevens not so forfeited and disposed of, but whose cases as between the Crown and such parties could not be dealt with on strict legal or equitable grounds alone; and it is therefore Her Majesty's Royal pleasure that power be reserved to Her Majesty's Governor General of this Province for the time being to deal with such cases in such manner as may appear reasonable and just in the exercise of a sound and liberal discretion; be it therefore enacted, that in the event of the heirs devisees or assigns of the said Aaron Stevens being compelled to seek the recovery of any such last-mentioned lands or tenements by proceedings in any Court of Law or Equity, it shall and may be lawful for the party against whom he she or they shall be so proceeding to apply to the Court in which such proceedings shall be pending to stay all such proceedings till Her Majesty's pleasure shall be taken whether the heirs devisees or assigns of the said Aaron Stevens shall be at liberty to proceed for the recovery of such lands or tenements or any

Heirs &c. of Aaron Stevens may be compelled to obtain permission of the Crown to proceed for the recovery of his real estate.