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An Act for the relief of Hugh Hunter.

[Reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure, 10th May, 1878; Royal Assent given 29th June, 1878, and proclaimed 17th August, 1878.]

WHEREAS Hugh Hunter, of the Township of Egremont, Preamble.
in the County of Grey, in the Province of Ontario and
Dominion of Canada, farmer, has, by his petition, humbly set
forth that he and Catherine Hunter, formerly Catherine
McPhee, are both British subjects and residents of this
Dominion, and that a marriage was in due form of
law had and solemnized between them on the seventeenth
day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and seventy-four; that at the end of two
weeks after the said marriage, the said Catherine Hunter
deserted her said husband and eloped with one Andrew
Tait, with whom she has ever since lived, and now lives, in
adultery, at Toronto, in the said Province, and has borne
children to the said Andrew Tait; and whereas the said
Hugh Hunter has prayed that he may be divorced *à vinculo
matrimonii* from his said wife; and whereas the said Hugh
Hunter has made proof of the facts above recited, and it is
expedient that the prayer of the said petitioner 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:—

1. The said marriage between Hugh Hunter and the said Catherine Hunter, his wife, shall from henceforth be null and void; and the same is hereby declared, adjudged and enacted to be null and void to all intents and purposes whatsoever. His marriage annulled.
2. It shall and may be lawful for the said Hugh Hunter hereafter to contract matrimony with any other woman with whom he might lawfully marry in case the said marriage had not been solemnized. Hugh Hunter may marry again.