were not *executed*, as the lands were surveyed,
the claim to them might be *disputed*. But this
would be proving *too much*, for it would *destroy
the claim of the younger children of the U. E.
Loyalists to their U. E. rights,* for which deeds
were not executed till *many* years had elapsed,
in a great majority of cases, after the Governor
in Council was authorised to grant them their
200 acres a-piece.

The case of the Canada Company may aid us
in obtaining a correct view of this question.—
About the year 1827 the Crown,—that is, the
Imperial Government in England,—for reasons
which, no doubt, appeared to them good, sold
that company "the Crown Reserves" and the
Huron Tract. The *right* of the Crown to do this,
and the title of the Company to these reserves
and this rich and valuable tract has *never*, as
yet, been called in question.

In like manner at an early day large grants
of land were made to various persons about the
Government of the Province: to Legislative
Councillors, to members of the House of Assem-
bly, and other leading men. The *right* of the
Government to make these grants, and the title
of these gentlemen and their children to these
properties, has *never*, as yet, been called in
question.

But, about thirty years ago, a small but restless
and unprincipled faction, anxious to raise them-
selves at the expense of others, imagined that
the "Clergy Reserves" would afford them a
good subject on which to agitate the country.
They accordingly raised a hue and cry against
them, because all did not share in the proceeds
of them; defamed the clergy of the church in
the most unscrupulous manner; and, finding
many jealous of the standing of the clergy, suc-
ceeded in exciting a feeling against the Reserves,
and the Church as holding them. The Govern-
ment, in 1889, anxious to pacify these agitators,
or, at least, hoping to divide their forces, proposed
to the twelve judges of England the question, whe-
ther the term "a Protestant Clergy" might not
be so construed as to include the Church of
Scotland? which *at that time* took a prominent