

UPPER CANADA
CHANCERY BILL.

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An Act for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery of the late Province of Upper Canada.

WHEREAS by an Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Upper Canada, passed in the seventh year of the 4 Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled, *An Act to establish a 6 Court of Chancery in this Province*, it was amongst other things enacted, That the judicial powers of the said Court should be exercised by a single Judge to be called 10 "The Vice-Chancellor of Upper Canada"; And whereas it is expedient to alter the 12 constitution of the said Court: Be it therefore enacted, &c.

Preamble.

Act of U. C. 7
Will. 4. c. 2.

14 And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That notwithstanding any thing 16 contained in the said Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Upper Canada 18 hereinbefore recited, the said Court of Chancery shall be presided over by a Chief 20 Judge, to be called the Chancellor of Upper Canada, and with two additional Judges to 22 be called Vice-Chancellors.

How the Court of Chancery shall be constituted hereafter.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be 24 lawful for Her Majesty to appoint by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of this Province, one person being a barrister at law of not less than ten years' standing to be 28 Chancellor of the said Court, and two persons being barristers of not less than ten 30 years' standing at the bar to be Vice-Chancellors of the same, and from time to time, to 32 supply any vacancies in the number of the said Judges; and the Chancellor of Upper 34 Canada, shall have rank and precedence next to the Chief Justice of the Court of 36 Queen's Bench.

Chancellor and vice-chancellors to be appointed,

Rank of the chancellor.