

THE SENATE OF CANADA.

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An Act for the relief of William Henry Featherstonhaugh.

WHEREAS William Henry Featherstonhaugh, of the town Preamble.
of Penetanguishene, in the county of Simcoe, in the
province of Ontario, master mariner, has, by his petition, set
forth that on the sixteenth day of September, one thousand
5 eight hundred and seventy-eight, he was lawfully married at
Penetanguishene aforesaid, to Helen Featherstonhaugh (whose
maiden name was Helen Anderson); that they cohabited
together as husband and wife until on or about the twenty-
eighth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-
10 five, and had issue of the said marriage four children, of
whom two are still living; that on or about the said last
named date the said William Henry Featherstonhaugh had
reason to suspect that she was leading an irregular life, and a
deed of separation was then prepared and executed by the
15 said William Henry Featherstonhaugh and Helen Featherston-
haugh, and since that date they have lived separate and apart
and have not cohabited together; that since the date of the
said separation she has on divers occasions committed adultery
with divers persons, and particularly during the years from
20 one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven to one thousand
eight hundred and ninety-seven, inclusive, on divers occasions
with one Frederick Measam; and whereas the said William
Henry Featherstonhaugh has humbly prayed that the said
marriage may be dissolved and that he may be authorized to
25 marry again, and that such further relief may be afforded him
as is deemed meet; and whereas he has proved the said
allegations of his petition, and it is expedient that the prayer
thereof be granted: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the
advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of
30 Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. The said marriage between the said William Henry Marriage dissolved.
Featherstonhaugh and Helen Featherstonhaugh, his wife, is
hereby dissolved and shall henceforth be null and void to all
intents and purposes whatever.

35 2. The said William Henry Featherstonhaugh may at any Right to marry again.
time hereafter marry any woman whom he might lawfully
marry in case the said marriage with the said Helen Feather-
stonhaugh had not been solemnized.