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4th Session, 6th Parliament, 24 Victoria, 1861.

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**BILL.**

An Act respecting Forfeited Estates in  
the County of Waterloo.

*(See correct Title inside.)*

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Received and read, first time, Saturday, 23rd  
March, 1861.

Second reading, Tuesday, 2nd April, 1861.

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Mr. FOLEY.

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## An Act respecting Forfeited Estates in Upper Canada.

HER MAJESTY, &c., enacts as follows:—

Preamble:

- I. It is hereby declared to have been meant and intended by the Act of the Parliament of the late Province of Upper Canada, passed in the fifty-fourth year of the reign of His Late Majesty, King George the Third, and intituled, "An Act to declare certain persons therein described, aliens, and to vest their Estates in His Majesty," that no person found to come within its provisions could have held or transmitted, or could or can hold or transmit lands in Upper Canada, by will or otherwise.
- 10 II. The acts of the Commissioners appointed under and by virtue of the said recited Act, are hereby declared to have been and to be good and valid, notwithstanding any defect or supposed defect in any acquisition made by them, or any of them, or any want of authority in the said Commissioners, or any or either of them, to inquire of lands not in the district for which any such Commissioner, or Commissioners, was or were appointed.
- 15 III. All titles to land acquired by virtue of sales or grants made, or purporting to have been made, by or by the authority of the Crown, as of lands of which the Crown had become seized under and in pursuance of the provisions of the said recited Act, are hereby declared to have been and to be good and valid in law and equity, to all intents and purposes, and the Crown shall be held to have been legally seized of such lands, under the said Act, at the time of such sales or grants, notwithstanding any defect or supposed defect in the carrying out of the provisions of the said Act.

Intent of Acts of U. C., 54 G. 3. c. 9. declared.

Acts of Commissioners under that Act declared valid.

Titles to lands sold under that Act declared valid.

*This is in reference to the cases of  
Wallace Hewitt - 20 Q.R. Rep: 87.  
Wallace Alderson. 10 C.P. Rep: 310.  
but I do not see that anything  
further is required on the decisions  
of the two courts -*