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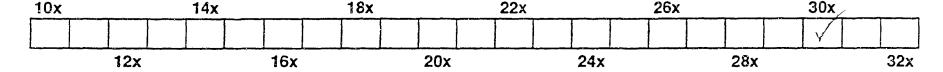
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4th Session, 3d Parliament, 14 Victoria, 1851.

## BILL.

An Act to render vacant the seats of Members of the Legislative Assembly. in certain cases.

Received and read a first time. Wednesday, 18th June, 1851.

Second reading, Monday, 23rd June, 1851.

Mr. Ross.

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An Act to render vacant the seats of Members of the Legislative Assembly, in certain cases.

HEREAS by the Statute of the Parliament of the Preamble. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland passed in the Session held in the third and fourth years of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to re-unite the Union Act 5 " Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada and for the cited. " Government of Canada," it is enacted that the Members of the Legislative Council of this Province shall vacate their seats in certain cases; and whereas it is necessary to make similar provision in regard to the Members of the 10 Legislative Assembly thereof, and their qualification and election to represent the several Counties, Ridings, Cities and Towns of this Province; Be it therefore enacted, &c.

That from and after the passing of this Act, if any Mem-Seats of ber of the Legislative Assembly of this Province shall for Members of Legislative 15 two successive Sessions of the Legislature of this Pro-Assembly vince, fail to give his attendance in the said Legislative vacated in certain cases. Assembly without its permission signified through the Speaker, or shall take any oath or make any declaration or acknowledgment of allegiance, obedience or adherence

- 20 to any foreign prince or power, or shall do, concur in, or adopt any act whereby he may become a subject or citizen of any foreign state or power, or whereby he may become entitled to the rights, privileges or immunities of a subject or citizen of any foreign state or power, or shall 25 become bankrupt, or take the benefit of any law relating to insolvent debtors, or become a public defaulter, or be attainted of treason, or be convicted of felony or of any infamous crime, his seat in the said Legislative Assembly shall become vacant.
- 30 II. And be it enacted, That any question which shall Legislative arise respecting any vacancy in the said Legislative As-Assembly to be the judge sembly on occasion of any of the matters aforesaid, shall in any such be heard and determined by the said Legislative Assembly, whose judgment therein shall be final and conclusive to 35 all intents and purposes.

III. And be it enacted, That if any person who, after Penalty on the passing of this Act, shall take such oath or make any person disqualified by any such declaration or acknowledgment of allegiance, this Act who obedience or adherence to any foreign prince or power, himself as 40 or shall do, concur in or adopt any act whereby he may Candidate for headens ontitled to the rights mainly act whereby he may Candidate for headens ontitled to the rights mainly act whereby he may Candidate for become entitled to the rights, privileges or immunities of a seat in the

Legislative Assembly.

a subject or citizen of any foreign state or power as aforesaid, or shall become a public defaulter, or be attainted of treason, or be convicted of felony or of any infamous crime, shall propose or offer himself as a candidate to become a representative of any County, Riding, City, Town or other place now or hereafter entitled to send a representative to the said Legislative Assembly, and be convicted thereof on the oath of one or more credible witnesses or other legal evidence to the satisfaction of any competent tribunal, he shall forfeit and pay the sum 10 Application of of five hundred pounds currency, whereof one-half shall be paid to the party prosecuting for the same, and the other half to the Municipality of the County, Riding, City or Town, for the representation of which he shall have so offered himself, to form part of the funds of such Muni- 15 cipality, and if elected as such representative his election

shall, upon production of the Record or judgment of conviction, be by the joint Legislative Assembly declared

penalty.

null and void.