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No. 153.

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

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## BILL.

An Act to provide for the sale of a portion of the Endowment of St. John's Church in the Town of Peterborough.

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Received and read a first time, Tuesday, 17th June, 1851.

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Second Reading, Monday, 23d June, 1851.

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Mr. HALL.

## B I L L.

An Act to provide for the sale of a portion of the Endowment of St. John's Church in the Town of Peterborough.

**W**HEREAS the Rector and Church Wardens of St. John's Church in the Town of Peterborough, in the County of Peterborough, have by their petition set forth, that it would be much for the advantage of the Incumbent of the said Rectory, as well as of the creditors of the said Church, that a portion of the Rectory Endowment of the said *Town of Peterborough* may be sold to pay off certain debts incurred in building the said church; and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition;

Be it therefore enacted, That the said Rector and Church Wardens for the time being, and James Wallis, John Langton, and Robert Dennistown, all three of the said Town of Peterborough, Esquires, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority by deed or deeds under their hands and seals, to grant, bargain, sell and convey, in fee simple, such portion or portions of the said Rectory Endowment as it may in their judgment be necessary to sell to pay off the debts incurred in erecting the said Church, with the interest thereon, and the expenses attending the carrying of this Act into effect, to any person or persons who may be willing to purchase the same, and to receive the purchase money and apply the same to the payment of such debts, interest and expenses as aforesaid; but the purchaser or purchasers shall not be bound to see to the application thereof: Provided always, that those persons who have received leases of any portion of the said Rectory Endowment, and those who hold the same under them, shall have a right to hold the land demised for the terms by such leases granted, on payment of the sums due on the said leases within six months after the passing of this Act, and on conforming to and fulfilling the covenants and promises in the said leases; and should any portion of the said land so leased, be sold under the authority hereby granted, the parties holding under the said leases shall have a right of pre-emption.