

CHAP. XXXIII.

AN ACT to make valid and to confirm the admission of John Bristowe, Esquire, as a Solicitor in the Court of Chancery in this Province.

[Passed 11th May, 1839.]

WHEREAS by an Act of the Legislature of this Province, passed in the seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled, “An Act to establish a Court of Chancery in this Province,” after reciting in the Twenty-second Section of the said Act, that it might be beneficial to facilitate the admission of a limited number of persons, experienced in the practice of Courts of Equity in the United Kingdom, to practice as Solicitors in this Province, it was among other things enacted, that it should be lawful for the Vice Chancellor to admit persons to be Solicitors of the said Court, (not exceeding six in number) upon their producing evidence to his satisfaction of their having been respectively admitted and sworn as Solicitors of the High Court of Chancery in England or Ireland, and of their having been in actual practice in such Court as Solicitors: *And whereas* Attornies of Her Majesty’s Court of Queen’s Bench in England are entitled to be admitted and to practice as Solicitors in the High Court of Chancery there: *And whereas* John Bristowe, late of the City of London, in Great Britain, but now of the City of Toronto, Gentleman, is an admitted Attorney of Her Majesty’s Court of Queen’s Bench in England, and he having also practiced in the High Court of Chancery there, and being well acquainted with the practice of Courts of Equity, he was a short time since admitted by the Vice Chancellor as a Solicitor of, and he is now practising as such, in the Court of Chancery in this Province: *And whereas* doubts have arisen whether the admission of the said John Bristowe as such Solicitor can be legally sustained, although no doubt whatever exists that the equity of the twenty-second section of the said recited Act has been complied with, and can be sustained as far as regards his said admission: *And whereas* it is desirable that such doubts should be removed, and that the said John Bristowe’s admission should be confirmed in all respects: *Be it therefore enacted* by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, entitled, “An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty’s reign, entitled, ‘An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America, and to make further provi-

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sion for the Government of the said Province,” and by the authority of the same, That the admission of the said John Bristowe, to practise as a Solicitor in the Court of Chancery, in this Province, heretofore made by the Vice-Chancellor as aforesaid, is hereby confirmed and declared to be good and valid, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, any thing in the said recited Act contained to the contrary thereof, in anywise, notwithstanding.

Past Professional acts declared valid.

II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That no Acts and proceedings heretofore done, nor any process from the said Court of Chancery in this Province, which have heretofore been taken out or issued and executed, by the said John Bristowe, as such Solicitor as aforesaid, shall be held void or voidable, by reason of any error, inadvertence or illegality, in the admission of the said John Bristowe, as such Solicitor as aforesaid.

CHAP. XXXIV.

AN ACT to authorize the Court of King's Bench to admit Adam Ainslie to practise as an Attorney in that Court, and to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to admit him to practise as a Solicitor, in the Court of Chancery in this Province.

[Passed 11th May, 1839.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the second year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled “An Act to repeal part of and amend an Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled “An Act for the better regulating the practise of the Law; and to extend the provisions of the same:” *And whereas* it is amongst other things enacted, that from and after the passing of the said Act, no person shall be admitted by the Court of King's Bench to practise as an Attorney of this Province, unless upon an actual service, under articles for five years, with some practising Attorney in this Province: *And whereas* it appears by the petition of Adam Ainslie, a native of Scotland, now resident in this Province, and by certificates and documents produced in support thereof, that he is a duly admitted Attorney of Her Majesty's Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in England, and also a Solicitor in the High Court of Chancery and in the Court of Exchequer in England: *And whereas* it also appears that the said Adam Ainslie came into this Province in the hope of being allowed to practise