

*Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada in North America*, passed in the year 1823.  
York: Charles Fothergill, 1823.

4 George IV – Chapter 29

**An Act for the relief of George Delong, George Bates, Alexander Gardener, Thomas Dowsley, and James Smith. Passed March 19th, 1823.**

Whereas by a certain Act passed, in the fifty-fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled "*An Act to declare certain persons therein described Aliens, and to vest their estates in His Majesty*," it was therein provided, that nothing in the said Act contained, should be construed to prevent any persons interested in the said lands from traversing any inquisition or office respecting the same, within one year after the peace shall be established between His Majesty and the United States of America, or within one year after the finding of such Inquisition.

And whereas George Delong of Crosby, George Bates of Yonge in the District of Johnstown, Alexander Gardener of Niagara, mason, Thomas Dowsley and James Smith of Kitley, have not been able to avail themselves of such provision, whereby His Majesty has become seized in law of certain real estate claimed by the said George Delong, George Bates. Alexander Gardener, Thomas Dowsley, and James Smith, under and by virtue of several inquisitions returned to His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, that is to say, by the said George Delong, the Lot No. Thirteen in the Third Concession of the Township of South Crosby, in the District of Johnstown, and containing two hundred acres; and by the said George Bates, the east half of Lot No. Seventeen in the Fourth Range, or Third Concession of the Township of Yonge, and District of Johnston, containing two hundred acres; and by the said Alexander Gardener the Lot No. One Hundred and Four, in the Township of Niagara, and District of Niagara, containing one hundred acres, and also by the said Thomas Dowsley and James Smith, Front Lot No. Nineteen, in the Ninth Concession of the Township of Kitley, in the District of Johnston; Be it therefore enacted by the King'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 provision for the Government of the said Province,'*" and by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the said George Delong, George Bates, Alexander Gardener, Thomas Dowsley and James Smith, and each of them, at any time within six months from the passing of this Act, to traverse all or any inquisition or office whereby the real estate in the said respective lands has been vested in His Majesty and the Commissioners aforesaid as forfeited: Provided always, that before any traverse or traverses to the said inquisition or inquisitions, or any of them, shall be received or filed in the office of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, the said George Delong, George Bates, Alexander Gardener, Thomas Dowsley, and James Smith, or their respective heirs, shall each severally enter into a bond to His Majesty in the penalty of fifty pounds, conditioned for the payment of all such costs as His Majesty may be put to, in and about

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defending the said traverses, in case judgment shall be given thereon for His Majesty. His Heirs and Successors, or the said several persons, or either of them, shall fail in prosecuting the same.