

Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada in North America, passed in the year 1824.
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5 George IV – Chapter 31

An Act for the Relief of Hiram Spafford. Passed Jan. 19th, 1824.

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 persons interested in the said lands from traversing any inquisition or office respecting the same, at any time within one year after the peace shall be established between His Majesty and the United States of America, for within one year after the filing of such inquisition.— And Whereas Hiram Spafford of Brockville, in the District of Johnstown, has not been able to avail himself of such provision, whereby His Majesty has become seized in law of certain real estate claimed by the said Hiram Spafford, under and by virtue of an inquisition returned to His Majesty's Court of King's Bench; that is to say Twenty Acres of Lot number Two, in the Tenth Concession of the Township of Lansdown; and also about Six Acres of a certain part of Lots numbers One and Two in the Tenth Concession of the said Township:

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 Hiram Spafford, 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 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 any of them, shall be received or filed in the office of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, the said Hiram Spafford, or his heir, shall 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 defending the said Traverse, in case judgment shall be given thereon for His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, or the said Hiram Spafford shall fail in prosecuting the same with effect.