

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Upper Canada*, passed in the year 1850. Toronto: Stewart  
Derbshire & George Desbarats, 1850.

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**An Act to enable John Counter to obtain a Patent for making Stoves of a new pattern, and on a  
new principle. 10th August, 1850.**

Whereas John Counter, of the City of Kingston, has by his petition to the Legislature, represented that he is proprietor of the Iron Works and Foundry at Kingston, called the Ontario Foundry, and carries on business at such Foundry to a large extent; that he has invested upwards of one thousand pounds in the manufacture of stoves of a new pattern and on a new principle, discovered and invented in this Province by one Charles Tripp, a citizen of the United States of America, employed by the said John Counter as his foreman in the said Foundry, and that the said Charles Tripp has assigned to him the said John Counter all his interest in the said discovery or invention, and is willing and desirous that he should obtain a patent for the same: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That for and notwithstanding any thing to the contrary contained in the Act of the Parliament of this Province, passed in the Twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled: *An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws of Patents for Inventions in this Province*, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor General, if he shall see fit, to grant a patent to the said John Counter for the said discovery or invention, in the same manner and to the same effect as the same might have been granted to him under the said last mentioned Act, if he had been the discoverer and inventor of the said new pattern and new principle.

II. And be it declared and enacted, That this Act is a Public Act.