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Laws of Her Majesty's Province of United Canada, passed in the year 1856. Quebec: Stewart Derbishire and George Desbarts, 1856.

20 Victoria – Chapter 34

An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery, and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas, in Upper Canada, to admit Henry Spencer Papps to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney. Assented to 16th May, 1856.

Whereas by an Act of the Legislature of Upper Canada, passed in the second year of the Reign of His Majesty, King George the Fourth, intituled, An Act to repeal part of and amend an Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act for the better regulating the practice of the law,' and to extend the provisions of the same, 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, unless upon an actual service under articles for five years with some practising Attorney; And whereas it appears by the Petition of Henry Spencer Papps, of the City of Hamilton, in the County of Wentworth, and Province of Canada, gentleman, and by certificates and documents therein referred to and produced in support thereof, that the petitioner was duly articled for five years to William Yeats Aiken, of Lincoln's Inn, in the City of London, England, in the United Kingdom, then a practising Attorney of Her Majesty's Courts of Exchequer, Queen's Bench and Common Pleas, as also a Solicitor in Her Majesty's High Court of Chancery, in that part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain, called England; And whereas it also appears that the Petitioner has taken the usual oaths of allegiance for admission, and was duly admitted, and is now an Attorney of Her Majesty's Courts of Exchequer, Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, Bankruptcy, and also a Solicitor of the High Court of Chancery in England; And whereas it appears that the Petitioner came into this Province in the month of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and settled in the City of Hamilton with the intention of practising his profession in Upper Canada; And whereas it appears that the Petitioner has been for upwards of one year preceding the presentation of the said petition, acquiring a knowledge of the practice of the Provincial Laws of Canada, under the direction of a practising Barrister and Solicitor of Upper Canada; And whereas the said Petitioner is desirous of practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in Upper Canada, and it is expedient to relieve him from the disability imposed by the said Act: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

- I. It shall and may be lawful for the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in Upper Canada, in their discretion, to admit the said Henry Spencer Papps, without further servitude or oath of allegiance, to practise as an Attorney of the said Courts; And it shall also be lawful for the Court of Chancery, in Upper Canada aforesaid, in its discretion to admit the said Henry Spencer Papps to practise as a Solicitor in the said Court of Chancery, without further oath of allegiance or servitude as aforesaid; any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.
- II. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.