



*Queen's assent
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ANNO TRICESIMO TERTIO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

A.D. 1870.

No. 4.

An Act to legalize the Marriage of a Man with the Sister of his deceased Wife.

[Reserved, 16th June, 1870.]

WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to the validity in the Province of South Australia of the marriage of a man with the sister of his deceased wife, and it is expedient to remove such doubts—Be it therefore Enacted by the Governor of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said Province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows :

Preamble.

1. All marriages which have been heretofore, or which shall be hereafter duly solemnized, within the said Province, between any person and his deceased wife's sister shall be deemed, and are hereby declared valid, and of full force and effect, any law or custom to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided that this Act shall not render valid any such marriage in any case where either of the parties to such marriage shall thereafter, before the passing of this Act, have lawfully intermarried with any other person; nor shall the passing of this Act, deprive or be held to have deprived any person of any property which such person may have lawfully inherited prior to the coming into operation of this Act, or affect any *lis pendens*.

Marriages with deceased wife's sister valid.

I reserve this Bill for the Signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.

JAMES FERGUSSON, Governor.