

**Revised Statutes of 1846 (EXCERPT)**  
**Chapter 83. Of marriage and the solemnization thereof.**

**551.5 Bigamy prohibited.**

Sec. 5.

No marriage shall be contracted whilst either of the parties has a former wife or husband living, unless the marriage with such former wife or husband, shall have been dissolved.

**History:** R.S. 1846, Ch. 83 ;-- CL 1857, 3208 ;-- CL 1871, 4723 ;-- How. 6213 ;-- CL 1897, 8592 ;-- CL 1915, 11366 ;-- CL 1929, 12694 ;-- CL 1948, 551.5