

into at least two separate Municipalities ; and whereas a part of the said Township has lately been canonically erected into a Parish, and a great number of the inhabitants interested have, by petition, prayed for the passing of an Act to erect the said Parish into a separate Municipality : Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

Municipality of
L'Avenir
erected.

1. Upon the first Tuesday of the month of July next, the territory comprised within the limits of the Parish of St. Pierre de Durham, in the County of Drummond, as erected by canonical decree, shall be detached from the Townships of Durham and Wickham, and the inhabitants thereof shall be and are hereby created a corporation or body politic, under the name of "the Corporation of the Municipality of L'Avenir," for all municipal purposes whatsoever, as if the erection of the said Municipality had taken place in the usual way in accordance with the provisions of the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act, and the Act amending the same.

Meeting of
Municipal
Electors.

2. On the first Tuesday of the month of July next, the inhabitants of the said Municipality, entitled to vote at Municipal Elections, shall meet in the Village of L'Avenir, at ten o'clock in the morning, and shall elect, by a majority of the votes of the electors present, a Chairman, to preside at the said meeting, who shall be invested with all the powers and duties assigned by the said Acts to the person presiding at every Municipal Election ; Public notice of such meeting shall be given by not less than three electors, eight days previous to the day fixed for the meeting.

Electors first
to decide as
to separate
erection.

3. At the said meeting, before proceeding to the election of Councillors for the said Municipality, in case ten or more of the electors present, and entitled to vote, make a demand in writing for a poll, to decide whether the incorporation under this Act shall be effected, the person presiding shall record, or cause to be recorded, the votes of the electors present, upon the said question, in a poll-book to be kept for that purpose, and if a majority of such votes are not given in the affirmative, the said election shall not be proceeded with ; but if there be such majority, the said first municipal election shall be proceeded with, and, if necessary, the meeting may be adjourned until the following day, in order to continue the election.

Poll if de-
manded, to be
open till 5
P. M.

4. If a poll-book be opened for the recording of votes upon the question of the erection of the said Municipality, it shall be closed at five o'clock in the afternoon, and the Chairman shall then announce the state of the poll, by declaring which side has the majority ; then, if it be in favor of the incorporation, he shall adjourn the meeting till the next morning, at nine o'clock ; to proceed with the election of Councillors.

If the vote be
in the affirma-
tive.