

## An Act to incorporate the Village of Ashburnham, in the County of Peterborough.

**W**HEREAS the inhabitants of the tract of land hereinafter described in the Townships of Otonabee and Douro, have petitioned the Legislature to be incorporated as a Village; And whereas the number of inhabitants within the proposed limits of the said Village is less than would enable them to become so incorporated under the ordinary operation of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporation Acts; And whereas, nevertheless it would tend greatly to promote the interests and convenience of the said inhabitants, if the prayer of their petition were granted, and it is expedient to grant the same; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

Preamble.

10 I. The tract of land within the boundaries or limits hereinafter described, shall, upon, from and after the first day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, be constituted a Village, to be called and designated as the Village of Ashburnham, and the inhabitants thereof shall be incorporated with the rights and privileges of an incorporated Village.

Village of Ashburnham incorporated.

II. So much of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, as relates to incorporated Villages, shall, upon, from and after the day last aforesaid, apply to the said Village of Ashburnham, which shall have and exercise all and singular the same rights, powers, privileges and jurisdiction as are given, granted, or conferred upon, or as shall, by virtue of any Acts or parts of Acts now in force in Upper Canada or which shall hereafter be in force, belong to incorporated Villages, and all the rules, regulations, provisions and enactments therein contained, or which shall in any wise relate or belong to the same, shall apply to the Village of Ashburnham, as fully as if the said tract of land had become an incorporated Village under the ordinary operation of the said Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, with the exception hereinafter mentioned.

Upper Canada Municipal Incorporations Acts to apply.

Exception.

III. The Municipal Council of the Township of Otonabee shall and may at any time after the passing of this Act, appoint a fit person to be the Returning officer for holding the first Municipal Election under this Act, and in the discharge of his duties such Returning officer shall be governed by the provisions of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, applicable to first elections in Villages incorporated under the said Acts.

First Returning Officer.

IV. After its incorporation the said Village of Ashburnham shall be discharged from all liability to the Township of Otonabee, for or on account of any Debentures theretofore issued by the said Township, but the Municipality of the said Village shall instead thereof pay to that of the said Township, the sum of thirty-six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence,

Provisions touching debts of the Township of Otonabee.