

An Act providing for the Separation of Cities in Upper Canada from Counties, for Judicial purposes.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the separation, for judicial purposes, of cities in Upper Canada from the Counties in which they are now included for such purposes, whenever the population of such cities shall be sufficient to make such separation desirable; Therefore Her Majesty &c., enacts as follows :

Preamble.

I. Whenever any City in Upper Canada which shall, for Judicial purposes, be connected with or form a part of any County or Union of Counties, shall contain a population of not less than fifteen thousand inhabitants, as shown by any census, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor of this Province for the time being, if he shall deem it expedient so to do, upon the petition of the Municipal Council of such City, or of the Municipal Council of such County or Union of Counties, to issue a Proclamation, under the great seal of the Province, authorizing and directing that from and after a day to be named in such Proclamation, the connection between such City and County or union of Counties, for Judicial purposes, shall cease, but they shall not be separated as regards the registration of deeds.

A city having a population of 15,000 may be separated from the County by proclamation.

II. The Court House, Gaol, House of Correction, and other County buildings belonging to such County, or Union of Counties, shall, notwithstanding they may be within the limits of such City, continue to be the property of and to be used by the said County, or Union of Counties, and they shall be held to be within the County for all purposes of the administration of justice; and after the time fixed by such Proclamation for such separation, such Court House, Gaol, House of Correction, and other County buildings, shall not be subject to be used as the Court House, Gaol, House of Correction, or other public buildings of and for such City, except under an agreement mutually made by the Municipal Councils of such City and County, or Union of Counties.

County Court House, &c., to continue to belong to and be used for the County, notwithstanding such separation.

III. From and after the date of such Proclamation it shall be the duty of the Municipal Council of such City, in the exercise of the powers conferred by law upon City Municipal Councils, to provide by and before the time named in the said Proclamation for such separation, a Court House, Gaol, and all other public buildings required for the uses of such City, under the provisions of this Act.

City to provide a Court House, &c.

IV. All agreements in existence at the date of any such Proclamation, whereby the public buildings, or any of them, of such County or Union of Counties, shall or may be used for the public uses of such City, shall continue unaffected by any such Proclamation, until they would expire by

Agreements between the County and City for use of Court House