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J. (Legislative Council.)

BILL.

An Act for better securing the *Independence of
Municipal Councils in Upper Canada.*

WHEREAS, in and by an Act of the Parliament of this Preamble.
Province, passed in the Session thereof, held in the
Twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to
provide, by one general law, for the erection of Municipal
5 "Corporations, and the establishment of Regulations of
"Police, in and for the several Counties, Cities, Towns,
"Townships and Villages, in *Upper Canada*," it is amongst
other things provided, that no Judge of any Civil Jurisdiction,
no Naval or Military Officer on full pay, and no person re-
10 ceiving any allowance from the Township, County, Village,
Town or City, (except in the capacity of Councillor, or in ca-
pacities incident thereto) and no person having by himself or
partner any interest or share in any contract with or on be-
half of the Township, County, Village, Town or City in
15 which he shall reside, shall be qualified to be, or be elected,
Alderman or Councillor for the same, or for any Ward therein;
and whereas it is expedient to provide for better securing the
independence of the Councils of such Municipal Corporations,
by disqualifying persons holding certain other offices of profit
20 and emolument from being, or being elected Aldermen or
Councillors as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted, &c.

That no Sheriff, Register, or Deputy Register, Inspector of
Licences, or Clerk of a Division Court, shall be qualified to
be, or be elected Alderman or Councillor, for any Township,
25 County, Village, Town, or City in Upper Canada, or for any
Ward therein.

Certain Off-
cers ineligible
as Councillors.