

according to the provisions hereinafter contained, shall be duly qualified to vote, shall assemble at some convenient place within the limits of their respective Townships or Parishes, and elect from persons duly qualified as hereinafter prescribed one or more and such number of Councillors as such Township or Parish, according to provisions hereinafter contained, may be entitled to elect, or such portion of that number as it may be necessary to elect in order to supply the places of those who, according to provisions hereinafter contained, may then retire, or may have ceased to be in office as Councillors.

VI. And be it Ordained and Enacted, that the Warden for the time being for each of the said Districts, before the said day of _____ in every year, shall and may issue his warrant, in the name of Her Majesty Her Heirs or Successors, under his hand and seal, to be directed to some one or more of the Justices of the Peace resident in each of the several Townships or Parishes within the District, and if in any Township or Parish there be no Justice of the Peace resident then to some one or more of the Justices of the Peace resident in an adjoining Township or Parish, requiring him or them to preside at such election and to conduct and certify the proceedings to be had at the same; which warrant shall, by such Justice of the Peace, be duly executed.

Justices to preside at Elections.

VII. And be it Ordained and Enacted, that the Justice or Justices of the Peace who shall preside at such Elections, or at any Election to be held in pursuance of the provisions of this Ordinance, shall have the like authority to administer oaths, preserve order, enforce obedience, and commit for a contempt of his or their authority, as before the passing of the aforesaid Act of the Imperial Parliament, intituled "*An Act to make temporary provision for the Government of Lower Canada,*" belonged to any Returning Officer at an election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province.

Authority of presiding Justices to preserve order, &c.

VIII. And be it Ordained and Enacted, that the number of Councillors to be elected for each of the said Districts shall be regulated as follows, that is to say: every Township or Parish containing seven hundred souls and under that number shall elect one Councillor; and every Township or Parish containing from seven hundred to two thousand souls shall elect two Councillors; and every Township or Parish containing two thousand souls and upwards shall elect three Councillors; and no Township or Parish shall be entitled to elect more than three Councillors.

Number of Councillors for the several Districts.

IX. And be it Ordained and Enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Governor of this Province, before the first Monday in January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, to fix and determine, by Proclamation under the Great Seal of the Province in this behalf to be issued, the number of Councillors which, according to the amount of their population (the same to be ascertained as accurately as may be) shall be elected by each and every Township and Parish in the several Districts of this Province; and it shall be lawful for the said Governor, by proclamation and proclamations hereafter as occasion may require to be issued, to fix and determine the increased representation to which any Township or Parish may be entitled in the Council of the District of which it makes part, by reason of such Township or Parish having reached an augmented amount of population according to the scale aforesaid.

To be determined by Proclamation.

X. And be it Ordained and Enacted, that every male person of full age who, at the passing of the aforesaid Act of the Imperial Parliament, intituled "*An Act to make temporary provision for the Government of Lower*

Qualifications and disqualifications, of voters, oaths, &c.