

An Act to facilitate the disuniting of the Counties of Lincoln and Welland, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS the Municipal Council of the United Counties of Lincoln and Welland, have by their Petition prayed that an Act may be passed to facilitate the disuniting of the County of Welland from the County of Lincoln for judicial and other purposes: And whereas it appears by certificate of the Warden and Clerk of the said Municipal Council that an agreement has been entered into between the Provisional Municipal Council of the said County of Welland and the said Municipal Council of the said United Counties, for the adjustment and settlement of all debts of said United Counties, in the manner provided by the fifteenth section of the Act of the Parliament of this Province passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled "*An Act for abolishing the Territorial Divisions of Upper Canada into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolution of such Unions, as the increase of wealth and population may require,*" and that the several other provisions of the said Section have been complied with by the said County of Welland: And whereas it is necessary and expedient to carry into effect the prayer of the said Petition; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. At any time after the passing of this Act it shall and may be lawful for the Governor of this Province, under an Order in Council, to be made so soon as he shall be satisfied that the County Buildings in the County of Welland are completed, to issue a Proclamation under the Great Seal of the Province, dissolving the Union between the said County of Welland and the said County of Lincoln, which dissolution shall take effect upon, from, and after a day to be named for that purpose in such Proclamation.

II. All the provisions of the said Act hereinbefore first in part recited and of the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her said Majesty's Reign, intituled "*An Act to make certain alterations in the Territorial Divisions of Upper Canada,*" and of any other Act or Acts, in so far as such provisions are or were intended to be applicable to senior and junior Counties after the dissolution of the Union thereof, and in so far as not inconsistent with this Act, shall be and are hereby declared to be applicable to the said Counties of Lincoln and Welland respectively, as if such Proclamation had been issued under authority of the fifth Section of the Act last above in part recited.