

An Act to divide the Township of Chester into two separate Township Municipalities.

WHEREAS the eastern and western parts of the Township of Chester, in the County of Arthabaska, are divided from each other by a mountainous tract of country and have no direct practicable communication by road, and it is expedient to constitute the same in two separate Township and Local Municipalities, bounded as hereinafter is set forth; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. From and after the first day of January next, the whole of the first, second, third, fourth and fifth ranges of the Township of Chester, and the lots numbered from number thirteen to number twenty-eight, both inclusive, of the first range (formerly so called) of the Township of Halifax, which by the Act passed in the twentieth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to alter the limits of the Township of Halifax and the Parish of St. Norbert d'Arthabaska," were detached from the said Township of Halifax and from the County of Megantic, and were declared to be annexed to the Parish of St. Norbert d'Arthabaska, in the County of Arthabaska, shall together form a separate Township and Local Municipality, under the name of the Township of West Chester, and shall have all the rights, powers and privileges of a separate Township Municipality under the Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and the several Acts amending the same.

Township of West Chester constituted.

20 V., c. 134.

II. From and after the same day, all that part of the remainder of the said Township of Chester, not now comprised within the Parish of St. Christophe d'Arthabaska, shall form a separate Township and Local Municipality, under the name of the Township of East Chester, with the like rights, powers and privileges.

Township of East Chester constituted.

III. This Act shall not be held to discharge any of the lands comprised within either of the said two new townships, from any liability attaching to them as having formed part of the Township of Halifax, or Parish of St. Norbert d'Arthabaska, or Township of Chester, respectively, nor yet to affect, declaratorily or otherwise, the limits of the said Parish of St. Norbert d'Arthabaska, save only as expressly hereby set forth, that is to say, save only for municipal and electoral purposes, and from and after the said first day of January next.

Act not to discharge lands in new townships from certain liabilities, &c.

IV. This Act shall be deemed a public Act.

Public Act.