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## An Act to incorporate the Village of Fergus, in the County of Wellington.

HEREAS the inhabitants of the Village of Fergus, in the County Preamble. of Wellington, have by their Petition represented, that from the rapid increase of the population of the said Village it has become necessary to confer upon it corporate powers, and prayed that it may be incorporated 5 accordingly, and it is desirable to grant the prayer of the said Petition: Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows :

I. From and after the passing of this Act, the inhabitants of the said Fergus incor-Village of Fergus shall be a body corporate apart from the Township of porated. Nichol in which the said Village is situate; and as such shall have perpet-10 nal succession and a Common Seal, with such powers and privileges as are now or shall hereafter be conferred on Incorporated Villages in Upper Canada, and the powers of such Corporation shall be exercised by, through and in the name of the Municipality of the Village of Fergus.

II. The said Village shall comprise and consist of the lots and parcels of Boundaries of 15 land, included within the following boudaries, that is to say : commencing the Village. on the south bank of the Grand River where the Concession line between the fourteenth and fifteenth Concessions would strike that bank if produced ; thence north-west along that Concession line to the west angle of lot twentyone in the said fourteenth Concession; thence north-east along the division 20 line between lots twenty and twenty-one to the Township line between Garrafraxa and Nichol; thence south-east along the said Township line to the south-east side of said Road from Fergus to Garrafraxa, in the first Concession of the said Township of Nichol; thence south-west along the south-east side of the said Road, until it intersects the Road allowance 25 between lots numbers ten and eleven; thence north-west along the said Road allowance to the south bank of the Grand River; thence along the said bank of the Grand River, with the stream, to the place of beginning.

III. After the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for the Governor of Appointment this Province to appoint a Returning Officer for the said Village of Fergus, of Returning Officer. 30 which Returning Officer shall appoint the time and place for holding the first Election in the said Village, of which appointment the said Returning Officer shall give notice in a newspaper published in said Village, or if there be no newspaper published there, then by notices posted in at least three conspicuous places in the said Village, ten days before the said 25 election.

IV. The duties of the said Returning Officer, and the qulifications of the His duties, voters and the persons elected as Councillors at such first election shall be and qualifications of voters. as prescribed by law with respect to Townships in Upper Canada.