

erected into one distinct and separate county, to be called and known by the name of *King's County*.

And whereas by like letters patent in like manner since passed, Queen's County. another tract or district of land lying within this province, on both sides the river *St. John*, bounded on the south-east by *King's* county, on the south-west by *Charlotte* county, on the north-east by the county of *Northumberland*, and on the north-west by the south boundary line of *Burton* township, and by a continuation of the said line to the north-east and south-west until it meets the counties of *Northumberland* and *Charlotte* respectively; was also erected into one distinct and separate county to be called and known by the name of *Queen's County*.

And whereas by like letters patent, in like manner since passed, York. another tract or district of land lying within this province on both sides the river *St. John*, bounded on the south-west by *Charlotte* county, on the north-east by the county of *Northumberland*, on the north-west by the province of *Quebec*, and on the south-east by the north-boundary line of the township of *Magerville*, and by the said line continued to the north-east till it meets the western bounds of *Northumberland* county, and south-west to the eastern bounds of the county of *Charlotte*, was also erected into one distinct and separate county to be called and known by the name of the *County of York*.

And whereas by like letters patent in like manner since passed, Sunbury. the county of *Sunbury* was limited and bounded on the north-west by the county of *York*, on the north-east by the county of *Northumberland*, on the south-east by *Queen's* county, and on the south-west by the *County of Charlotte*.

And whereas his Majesty did further grant and declare in the said letters patent respectively, that his loving subjects then residing and who thereafter should inhabit within the said counties respectively, might at their own charge erect a court-house and goal in each of the said counties, viz. at the city of *St. John*, in the county of *St. John*; at *Westmorland*, in the county of *Westmorland*; at *St. Andrew's*, in the county of *Charlotte*; at *Kingston*, in *King's* county; at *Gagetown*, in *Queen's* county; and at *Fredericton*, in the county of *York*, which said several towns were thereby declared to be the county towns of the said counties respectively.

Court houses and goals to be erected as follows, viz.

At the city of St. John, at Westmorland, at St. Andrew's, at Kingston, at Gagetown, at Fredericton.

And whereas the said several lines limiting and bounding the said respective counties cannot in the present condition of the province be surveyed and finally ascertained, notwithstanding which it is at present necessary that the said several counties be subdivided into towns or parishes for the more convenient and orderly distributions of the respective inhabitants, to enable them in their respective districts to fulfil the several duties incumbent on them, and

Counties subdivided into towns or parishes.

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