1852-3.] BILL. [No. 251.

An Act to separate the County of Halton from Wentworth.

WHEREAS a very large number of inhabitants of the County of Halton, the Junior County of the United Counties of Wentworth and Halton, have by their petition, prayed that the said County of Halton may be set apart as a separate County for judicial and other purposes without unnecessary delay, and from the wealth population and rapid advancement of the said County, it is expedient to grant their prayer; Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

Preamble. Petition of Inhabitants recited.

That upon, from and after the day of , one thousand eight hundred and fifty , the Town Reeves and Depotes Town Reeves of the several Townships, Unions of Townships, Villages and Towns, in the said County of Halton, as the same is described and limited in and by the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "*An Act to make certain alterations in the Territorial Divisions of Upper Canada,*" shall form a Provisional Municipal Council for the said County, and shall with respect to the said County, have, possess and exercise all and singular the rights, powers, privileges and duties, conferred, granted or imposed by the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "*An Act for abolishing the Territorial Division of Upper Canada into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for Judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolutions of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require,*" or by any other Act or law in force in Upper Canada, upon Provisional Municipal Councils generally, erected by Proclamation under the authority of the Act last above cited; and all the provisions of the Act last above cited shall apply to the said Provisional Municipal Council, and to the said County of Halton, and to its final separation by Proclamation from the said County of Wentworth, when the requirements of the said Act shall have been complied with and fulfilled.

Provisional Council constituted for Halton,—its powers.

14 and 15 V. c. 5.

12 V. c. 78.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Provisional Council shall meet at the Town of Bronte in the said County, on the first Monday in the month of next after the passing of this Act, a notice of such meeting shall be inserted in some newspaper published within the said County or in some adjoining County, and a copy of such notice sent by mail or otherwise to each member of such Provisional Council, at least eight days before the day appointed for such meeting.

First meeting of the Provisional Council and notice thereof.