

concession of the Township of Crowland, to the northern boundary of the lot last mentioned—thence west to the south bank of the River Welland—thence across the said river to the place of beginning.

Returning Officer to be appointed.

III. Immediately after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Governor of this Province to appoint a Returning Officer for the said Village of Welland, which Returning Officer shall appoint the time and place of holding the first election in the said village, of which appointment the said Returning Officer shall give notice in a newspaper published in the County of Welland, and by notices posted in at least three conspicuous places in the said village ten days before the said election. 10

His duties, &c. Qualification of voters, &c.

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

He shall be furnished with copies of certain parts of the Assessment Rolls of Crowland and Welland.

V. The Collectors or Townships Clerks of the Township of Thorold and Crowland or other persons having the legal custody of the Collector's Rolls of the said Townships respectively, for the year of our Lord 1857, shall furnish to the said Returning Officer, on demand made by him for the same, a true copy of such rolls so far as the same relates to voters resident in the said village, and so far as such rolls contain the names of the male freeholders and householders rated upon such rolls in respect of real property lying within such limits, the amount of the assessed value of such real property for which they shall be respectively rated on such rolls, which copies shall be verified on oath or as is now required by law. 25

His oath of office.

VI. The said Returning Officer, before holding the said election, shall take the oath or affirmation now required by law to be taken by Returning Officers for incorporated villages in Upper Canada.

How elections after the first shall be held.

VII. Elections for Councillors for the said Village of Welland, after the year 1859, shall be held in conformity with the provisions of law applying to incorporated villages in Upper Canada; the election for the year 1859 shall be held as is hereinbefore provided for the said first election; copies of the rolls of the said Township for the year 1858 being required to be furnished in the same manner as is provided and required for said first election, and the Returning Officer for the said election for 1859 shall be appointed by the Council of said Village of Welland, at their last meeting in the year 1858, held before the twentieth of December in that year. 30

Oaths of councillors.

VIII. The several persons who shall be elected or appointed under this Act, shall take the same oaths of office and of qualification as now prescribed by law. 40

Number of councillors, their powers, &c.

IX. The number of Councillors to be elected under this Act shall be five, and they shall be organized as a Council in the same manner as villages incorporated under the Upper Canada Municipal Acts, and have, use, and exercise the same privileges as in the said incorporated villages. 45

Village to pay its proportion of any debts

X. From and after the passing of this Act, the said Village of Welland shall cease to form part of the said Townships of Thorold and Crowland,