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An Act to separate the Counties of Huron
and Bruce, and for other purposes.

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An Act to separate the County of Bruce from the County of Huron, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS the Reeves of the several Townships of the County of Bruce have, by their Petition, prayed that the said County of Bruce—now united to the County of Huron—may be set apart as a separate County for Judicial and other purposes, without unnecessary delay, and the sense of the said County being in favour of such separation, and the wealth and population thereof being sufficient to warrant the same, it is expedient to make provision to enable the said County to separate from the said County of Huron as soon as the necessary provisions for that purpose shall have been made: Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. Upon, from and after the _____ day of _____, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-_____, the Town Reeves and Deputy Town Reeves of the several Townships in the said County of Bruce, as the same is described and limited in and by the Act passed in the Session held in the 15 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 20 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 dissolution of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require*," upon 25 provisional Municipal Councils erected by Proclamation under the authority of the said Act, and also all the powers which may be conferred on provisional Municipal Councils generally by any other Act or Law in force in Upper Canada; and such Provisional Council shall and may, so soon as they shall think fit so to do, purchase or otherwise procure the necessary 30 property at _____, which is hereby declared to be the County Town of the said County of Bruce, and proceed to erect the necessary public buildings on such property, and all the provisions of the Act last above cited shall apply to the said Provisional Municipal Council and to the said County of Bruce.

A Provisional Council formed for the County of Bruce, as bounded under 14 & 15 V., c. 5.

Powers of Council to be those given by 12 V., c. 78, and the U. C. Municipal Acts.

35 II. So soon as the Court-house and Gaol of the said County shall be erected and completed at _____ according to the provisions of the fifteenth section of the said lastly in part recited Act, and the other provisions of the said fifteenth section shall have been complied with by the said county, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor 40 of this Province to appoint the necessary officers as provided by the seven-

Dissolution of Union when the Gaol and Court-house are completed.

teenth section of the said lastly in part recited Act, and by order in Council to issue a Proclamation dissolving the union between the said County of Bruce and the said County of Huron, from the date to be mentioned in such Proclamation : and all the provisions of the said lastly in part recited Act, or of any other Act, or law of Upper Canada, applicable to Counties, on and after their being separated from other counties, shall apply to the said Counties of Huron and Bruce respectively. 5

First meeting
of Council:

III. The said Provisional Council shall meet at _____ in the said County on the _____ day of _____ ; a notice of such meeting shall be published in some newspaper published within the said county, or in some adjoining 10 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, by the Warden of the said United Counties of Huron and Bruce, or if such meeting should fail on the said day, a meeting may be called in like manner for another day. 15

Who shall
preside at first
meeting.

IV. The said Warden of the United Counties of Huron and Bruce, shall by a warrant under his hand and seal, appoint one of the Town Reeves or Deputy Town Reeves of the said county of Bruce to preside at the first meeting of such Provisional Municipal Council until a Provisional Warden shall be elected by such Provisional Municipal Council. 20

Public Act.

V. This Act shall be deemed to be a public Act.