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An Act to disfranchise Niagara, and to enlarge the Representation of Peel.

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An Act to disfranchise Niagara, and to enlarge the Representation of Peel.

WHEREAS the Town and Township of Niagara, in the County of Preamble.
 Lincoln, are now by law united for the purpose of representa-
 tion in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, and the electors of
 the said Town and Township are authorized and permitted to be repre-
 5 sented in the Legislative Assembly by one Member or Representative;
 And whereas it would conduce to a more full and equitable representa-
 tion of the whole people were the said Town and Township (which con-
 tained, by the census of 185 , but souls, and there
 were polled therein but electors at the last general
 10 election, held in the month of December, 1857,) deprived of the right
 of sending one Representative to the said Legislative Assembly, and the
 right so taken away from the said Town and Township transferred to
 and conferred upon the County of Peel, which said County, by the said
 census of 185 , contained souls, and there were
 15 polled in the said County, at the said last general election
 electors; Therefore Her Majesty, &c. enacts as follows:

I. From and after the day of the dissolution of this present Parlia-
 ment, the said Town and Township of Niagara shall cease to elect or
 return a Member or Representative to the Legislative Assembly of this
 20 Province. Town of Nia-
gara disfran-
chised at the
end of this
Parliament,

II. The said Town and Township of Niagara shall, for all electoral
 purposes, from and after the day of the dissolution of this present Parli-
 ament, merge into and form part of the County of Lincoln, and the
 duly qualified electors of the said Town and Township of Niagara shall,
 25 from and after the day of dissolution of this present Parliament as afore-
 said, be authorized and empowered to vote for the election and return
 of one Member or Representative in the Legislative Assembly, for the
 said County of Lincoln. And merged in
the County of
Lincoln.

III. The County of Peel, at present represented but by one Member,
 30 shall, from and after the day of the dissolution of this present Parlia-
 ment, be authorized and empowered to elect one additional Member or
 Representative, and to be hereafter represented in the Legislative
 Assembly of this Province by two Members or Representatives, each
 and every duly qualified elector in the said County of Peel having the
 35 right to vote for and of being represented by two instead of by one
 Member, in the said Legislative Assembly. County of
Peel to have
two Members
after the said
time.

IV. All the laws now in force applicable to the election and return
 of Members to the Legislative Assembly of this Province, and to the
 qualification of candidates and electors, and to all other matters and
 40 things appertaining thereto, shall apply to and be in full force and effect
 at all elections that may be held under the authority of this Act, and to
 all candidates and electors presenting themselves as such, under the
 authority of the same. Election laws
to apply.