

## Technical and Bibliographic Notes / Notes techniques et bibliographiques

The Institute has attempted to obtain the best original copy available for filming. Features of this copy which may be bibliographically unique, which may alter any of the images in the reproduction, or which may significantly change the usual method of filming are checked below.

- Coloured covers /  
Couverture de couleur
- Covers damaged /  
Couverture endommagée
- Covers restored and/or laminated /  
Couverture restaurée et/ou pelliculée
- Cover title missing / Le titre de couverture manque
- Coloured maps / Cartes géographiques en couleur
- Coloured ink (i.e. other than blue or black) /  
Encre de couleur (i.e. autre que bleue ou noire)
- Coloured plates and/or illustrations /  
Planches et/ou illustrations en couleur
- Bound with other material /  
Relié avec d'autres documents
- Only edition available /  
Seule édition disponible
- Tight binding may cause shadows or distortion along  
interior margin / La reliure serrée peut causer de  
l'ombre ou de la distorsion le long de la marge  
intérieure.
- Blank leaves added during restorations may appear  
within the text. Whenever possible, these have been  
omitted from filming / Il se peut que certaines pages  
blanches ajoutées lors d'une restauration  
apparaissent dans le texte, mais, lorsque cela était  
possible, ces pages n'ont pas été filmées.
- Additional comments /  
Commentaires supplémentaires: **Cover title page is bound in as last page in  
book but filmed as first page on fiche.**

L'Institut a microfilmé le meilleur exemplaire qu'il lui a été possible de se procurer. Les détails de cet exemplaire qui sont peut-être uniques du point de vue bibliographique, qui peuvent modifier une image reproduite, ou qui peuvent exiger une modification dans la méthode normale de filmage sont indiqués ci-dessous.

- Coloured pages / Pages de couleur
- Pages damaged / Pages endommagées
- Pages restored and/or laminated /  
Pages restaurées et/ou pelliculées
- Pages discoloured, stained or foxed /  
Pages décolorées, tachetées ou piquées
- Pages detached / Pages détachées
- Showthrough / Transparence
- Quality of print varies /  
Qualité inégale de l'impression
- Includes supplementary material /  
Comprend du matériel supplémentaire
- Pages wholly or partially obscured by errata slips,  
tissues, etc., have been refilmed to ensure the best  
possible image / Les pages totalement ou  
partiellement obscurcies par un feuillet d'errata, une  
pelure, etc., ont été filmées à nouveau de façon à  
obtenir la meilleure image possible.
- Opposing pages with varying colouration or  
discolourations are filmed twice to ensure the best  
possible image / Les pages s'opposant ayant des  
colorations variables ou des décolorations sont  
filmées deux fois afin d'obtenir la meilleure image  
possible.

This item is filmed at the reduction ratio checked below /  
Ce document est filmé au taux de réduction indiqué ci-dessous.

<b>10x</b>		<b>14x</b>		<b>18x</b>		<b>22x</b>		<b>26x</b>		<b>30x</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>12x</b>		<b>16x</b>		<b>20x</b>		<b>24x</b>		<b>28x</b>		<b>32x</b>

No. 12.

---

---

4th Session, 8th Parliament, 29th Victoria, 1865.

---

---

BILL.

An Act to make Reeves and Deputy Reeves  
elective by a direct vote of the people in  
Upper Canada.

---

[No. 84 of 1865—1st Session.]

---

Mr. McKELLAR.

---

QUEBEC:  
PRINTED BY HUNTER, ROSE & CO., ST.  
URSULE STREET.

**An Act to abolish Wards in Townships, and to make Reeves and Deputy Reeves elective by the direct vote of the people in Upper Canada.**

**WHEREAS** it is expedient to abolish wards in townships, and to provide for the election of Reeves and Deputy Reeves in the several townships, towns, and incorporated villages in Upper Canada, by a direct vote of the electors; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

1. All wards heretofore established and now existing in the several townships in Upper Canada, are abolished, and all by-laws establishing the same are hereby repealed. abolished.
2. Whenever a township is divided into electoral divisions, and polling places established therein, and Returning Officers established therefor, under and by virtue of the provisions of the two hundred and seventy-fifth section of chapter fifty-four of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada, a meeting of the electors of such township shall be held on the last Monday but one in the month of December before the annual municipal election as provided by the said Act, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, for the nomination of a Reeve and four Councillors, or if the Township be entitled to a Deputy Reeve, for the nomination of a Reeve, Deputy Reeve, and three Councillors, to be elected for the said township, and such meeting shall be held at the Town Hall if there be one in the said township; but if there be no Township Hall, then at the place where the first meeting of the Council of the said Township was held for the then current year; and the Township Clerk shall give the notice required by section ninety-seven of chapter fifty-four of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada. Nomination meeting before day of election, of Reeves. Where held, and by whom called.
3. The Township Clerk shall preside at such meeting, or in case of his absence through sickness or otherwise, the Council shall appoint a person to preside in his place, and if the Township Clerk or the person so appointed does not attend, the electors present shall choose from among themselves, a chairman, being an elector, to officiate. Who shall preside at such meeting.
4. Such Township Clerk, or person so appointed, or chairman so chosen, shall, with respect to such meeting, have all the powers of a Returning Officer. His powers.
5. If, at such meeting, only one person be nominated for the office of Reeve or Deputy Reeve, and only the requisite number of persons required for councillors, within one hour of the opening of the meeting, If there be only the requisite number of candidates.

They shall be declared elected. then the person or persons so nominated for any of these offices respectively shall be declared by the chairman duly elected to serve as Reeve, Deputy-Reeve, or Councillors, as the case may be.

If there be more than the requisite number for any office. **6.** In all cases where more than one person shall be nominated for the office of Reeve or Deputy Reeve, or where more than the requisite number of persons required to fill the office of Councillors shall be nominated, the Township Clerk or chairman of the meeting shall, on the following day, post up in the office of the clerk of the municipality the names of the persons proposed for the respective offices for which a contestation is to take place; and shall provide the Returning Officer or Officers with a certified list of the names of such Candidates, specifying the offices for which they are respectively candidates. 5

Security of persons residing in such case.

Poll-book and rolls for Returning Officer. **7.** The Clerk shall also deliver to the Returning Officer of each electoral division, a poll-book and also the assessment rolls, with his declaration verifying the same, as provided by sub-sections two and three of section ninety-seven of chapter fifty-four of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada. 15

Polls in each electoral division. **8.** The Returning Officer for each electoral division in the township shall cause a poll to be opened at the polling place appointed in such division on the first Monday in January following, and shall take the votes in the same way, and keep the poll open for the full time now provided by law for taking the votes. 20

Poll-book to be sworn to and returned. **9.** Every Returning Officer shall, on the day after the close of the poll, return the poll book to the Township Clerk, verified under oath before the said Clerk or any Justice of the Peace for the county or union of counties in which the said Township may lie, as to the due and correct taking of the votes for the said electoral division. 25

Public declaration of the result of the election. **10.** The Township Clerk or person so appointed, or chairman so chosen as aforesaid, shall add up the votes set down for each candidate in the respective poll-books and ascertain the aggregate number of votes, and shall, at the Town Hall, or other place at which the nomination was held, at noon of the day following the return of the poll-books, publicly declare the Reeves and Councillors, or Reeve, Deputy Reeve, and Councillors, as the case may be, who have been elected. 30 35

Casting vote in case of a tie. **11.** In case two or more candidates have an equal number of votes, the said Township Clerk, whether otherwise qualified or not, shall give a casting vote for one or more of such candidates, so as to decide the election; and except in such case no Township Clerk shall vote at any such election. 40

Nomination and election of Reeves and Deputy Reeves in Towns. **12.** At the nomination of Mayor in the several towns in Upper Canada there shall in like manner be a nomination of candidates for Reeve and also for a Deputy Reeve if such town be entitled to a Deputy Reeve; the election of such Reeve, or Reeve and Deputy Reeve, as the case may be, shall be conducted in the same manner in all respects as is now by law provided for the election of Mayor in the same towns. 45

Reeves, &c., to be members **13.** The Reeves and Deputy Reeves so elected in towns shall in addition to their qualification as members of the County Council, also be

members of the Town Council in addition to the number of councillors of Town Councils now authorized by law.

14. In incorporated villages there shall be elected a Reeve and four Councillors, or if the village be entitled to a Deputy Reeve, then there shall be elected a Reeve, Deputy Reeve, and three Councillors, and the nomination and election of such Reeve and Councillors, or Reeve, Deputy Reeve, and Councillors, as the case may be, shall be conducted in the same manner as is now provided for the election of councillors in incorporated villages.

10 15. If a township is not divided into electoral divisions, the nomination of a Reeve and four Councillors, or a Reeve, a Deputy Reeve, and three Councillors, as the case may be, shall be conducted in the same way as is now provided for the election of councillors in townships not divided into wards.

15 16. All Acts or parts of Acts contrary to the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

17. This Act shall be read and taken as part of the said Act intitled, An Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of Upper Canada, chapter fifty-four of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada.

Nomination  
and election  
of Reeves and  
Councillors  
in Villages.

As to Town-  
ship not divi-  
ded into  
electoral divi-  
sions.

Contrary  
enactments  
repealed.

Act to be part  
of cap. 54  
Con. Stat.  
U. C.