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## BILL.

An Act to limit the area of Towns and  
Villages.

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## BILL.

### An Act to limit the area of Towns and Villages.

WHEREAS it is expedient to fix some determinate proportion between the areas of all Towns and Incorporated Villages and the population thereof ;

Therefore, Her Majesty, &c.

5 **1.** No Town or Village incorporated after the passing of this Act, the population of which does not exceed one thousand souls, shall extend over or occupy within the limits of the incorporation an area of more than two hundred acres of land.

10 **2.** No Town or Village already or hereinafter incorporated containing a population exceeding one thousand souls, shall make any further addition to its limits or area, except in the proportion of not more than one hundred acres for each additional thousand souls, subsequent to the first thousand.

15 **3.** In the case of all Towns or Villages now incorporated, where- soever the area thereof exceeds the proportionate limit above prescribed, to wit in all cases where the area exceeds the proportion of two hundred acres for the first thousand souls, and one hundred acres for each subsequent additional thousand, then in all such cases the said Towns or Villages shall not be permitted to make any further addition 20 to their limits, until their population shall have reached a proportion as aforesaid to their present area.

25 **4.** But in all cases the persons then actually inhabiting the land about to be included within the limits of any Town or Village, may, for the purpose of such extension only, be held and reckoned as among the inhabitants of such Town or Village.