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An Act to incorporate the Village of Clinton. Assented to 27th May, 1857.

Whereas the Village of Clinton, in the County of Huron, now contains more than one thousand inhabitants and is rapidly increasing depopulation and importance, and it is therefore expedient to provide for its incorporation as a Village before the time when it could be so incorporated under the ordinary operation of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

- I. Upon, from and1 after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, the inhabitants of the Village of Clinton comprised within the boundaries hereinafter named, shall be a body corporate apart from the Townships in which the said Village is situate, and as such shall have perpetual succession and a Common Seal, with such powers as now by law are conferred upon Incorporated Villages in Upper Canada; and the powers of such Corporation shall be exercised by, through and in the name of the Municipality of the Village of Clinton.
- II. So much of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, as relates to incorporated Villages, shall, from and after the day last aforesaid, apply to the said Village of Clinton, and the said Village shall, as an incorporated Village, have and exercise all and singular the rights, powers, privileges and jurisdictions which are thereby, granted or conferred to or upon, or as shall, by virtue of the said Acts or of any other Act or Acts now in force, or hereafter to be in force, in Upper Canada, belong to incorporated Villages; and all the rules, regulations and enactments in the said Acts or any of them contained, or which shall in any wise apply to incorporated Villages, and the Municipal Councillors and Officers thereof, shall apply to the said Village of Clinton and the Municipal Councillors and officers thereof, as fully as if it had become an incorporated Village under the ordinary operation of the said Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, with the exceptions hereinafter made.
- III. The Municipal Council of the Township of Goderich shall and may, at any time after the passing of this Act, and before the first, day of December next, appoint a fit and proper person to be Returning Officer for holding the first Municipal Election in and for the said Village of Clinton under this Act, and in the discharge of his said duties the said Returning Officer shall be governed by the provisions of the said Upper Canada Corporations Acts, applicable to first elections in incorporated Villages.
- IV. The qualifications. of electors at the first election under this Act, shall be the same as those of electors at a Township election of Municipal Councillors; and the Township Clerks for the Townships of Tucrkersmith, Hullett, and Goderich shall furnish the Returning Officer appointed under this Act, with a certified copy of so much of the Collector's Rolls for the said Townships as may be required to ascertain the persons, entitled to vote at the first election under this Act.
- V. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

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Schedule.

Boundaries of the Village of Clinton.

The said Village of Clinton shall include and consist of the following lots or parcels of land, that is to say: Lots numbers forty-two, forty-three and forty-four in the first concession of the Huron Road, in the Township of Tuckersmith, — Lots numbers twenty-three and twenty-four in the first concession of the Township of Hullett, — Lots numbers one, two, twenty-throe and twenty-four in the Huron Road concession of the Township of Goderich, — and lot number fifty in the Bayfield concession, in the said Township of Goderich.