

County, were not legally registered in consequence of the illness of the said Registrar; And whereas it is expedient, for the interest of the parties concerned to provide a remedy for the absence of or defect in such registration: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, as follows:

I. That all the Deeds, to wit, the Deeds of sale and of Donation *entre vifs*, the Contracts of Marriage, Wills, Obligations, Debentures of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railway Company, Discharges of hypothecs, and generally all the documents deposited in the said office for registration between the nineteenth of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty three, and the thirty-first of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, the registration whereof is defective or has never been effected, either from the fact that the said Deeds or Documents have not yet been transcribed in the Registers of the said office, or that having been so transcribed the registration thereof has not been attested by the signature of the late Registrar William F. Hawley or of his Deputy, or by reason of any other imperfections, shall be registered or the registration of the said Deeds and Documents shall be completed by the present Registrar or his Deputy; and the said Registration shall have the same effect as though it had been made by the said William F. Hawley, at the period of the deposit of the said Discharges, Deeds and Documents, respectively, such period being established by the entry made on the back of each document respectively.

Registration of Deeds deposited before the death of Mr. Hawley may be completed with full legal effect.

C A P . C L X X I .

An Act to divide the Township of Norwich into two separate Municipalities.

[Assented to 30th May, 1855.]

WHEREAS the Reeve and Municipal Council of the Township of Norwich, in the County of Oxford, have by their Petition set forth, that the public convenience would be promoted by a division of that Township into two separate Municipalities, and have prayed that it may be divided in the manner hereinafter mentioned: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower*
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Canada, and for the Government of Canada, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, as follows :

Townships of North Norwich and South Norwich constituted from 1st January, 1856, out of the present Township.

I. Upon and after the first day of January next after the passing of this Act, the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth concessions of the said Township of Norwich, and so much of the Gore thereof as adjoins the said concessions, shall for all Municipal and Electoral purposes, form a separate Township to be called North Norwich; and the seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth concessions of the said Township of Norwich, together with so much of the said Gore as adjoins the said concessions, shall for the like purposes form a separate Township to be called South Norwich; the front line of the seventh concession and its prolongation across the said Gore, shall form the boundary line between the said Townships.

Returning Officers at first election.

II. For the purposes of the Municipal Elections next after the passing of this Act, the Township Clerk of Norwich, shall act as Returning Officer for North Norwich, and the Municipal Council of Norwich shall appoint a fit and proper person to act as Returning Officer for South Norwich; and the person so to be appointed by the said Municipal Council shall procure attested copies of so much of the Collector's Roll of Norwich, as shall relate to the inhabitants and assessed property of South Norwich; and the next Municipal Election for North Norwich, shall be held at Norwichville, and that for South Norwich at Otterville.

Places of election.

Provisions of U. C. Municipal Acts to apply.

III. All the provisions of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, relating to the separation of Townships* theretofore united for Municipal purposes, shall, after the division of the said Township of Norwich as aforesaid, apply to the Townships into which it is hereby divided as if they had before such division been Townships united for Municipal purposes; North Norwich being deemed the Senior and South Norwich the Junior Township; Provided always, that as regards the debts of the present Township of Norwich now existing or to be created before the division thereof under this Act, the two Townships into which it is hereby divided shall be jointly and severally liable, saving always the recourse of the one Township against the other for its share of such debts.

Proviso as to existing debts.

Public Act.

IV. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

CAP. CLXXII.

An Act to confirm a survey of the line between the sixth and seventh Concessions of the Township of Hamilton.

[Assented to 30th May, 1855.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS in the survey of the Township of Hamilton, in the County of Northumberland, performed in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, by Provincial Land Surveyor, John K. Roche, in conformity with the provisions of the