and sworn before a Justice of the Peace, of the correctness of such Return.

III. Any Clerk of any of the said Municipalities who shall Penalty on fail to make any Return required by the next preceding sec- Clerks not tion of this Act, by the time therein limited, shall be liable making such for each failure to a penalty of twenty-five pounds to be paid to the Receiver General for the use of the Province, which penalty may be sued for and recovered by the Crown in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

IV. In case it should at any time appear that by reason Recovery of of an erroneous return too much money has been paid to a money over-Municipality, the excess shall be a debt due and recoverable paid under by the Crown from such Municipality. retura.

V. So much of the fifth section of the before mentioned Repeal of in-Act as is inconsistent with this Act, shall be and the same is consistent prohereby repealed.

CAP. XVII.

An Act to incorporate the Town of Galt and to define the limits thereof.

[Assented to 16th May, 1856.]

WHEREAS the inhabitants of the Village of Galt, by peti- Preamble. tion, have prayed the Legislature to incorporate the same into a Town, the population, according to a census taken last year, approaching to the number required by law; And whereas it is expedient and necessary and would tend to pronote the benefit and convenience of the inhabitants if the prayer of the said petition were granted : Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. The tract of land within the boundaries or limits herein- Incorporation after described shall, upon, from and after the first day of of the Town after described shall, upon, from and after the first day of of Galton 1st January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and first-seven, of Galton 1st January, 1857. be incorporated into a Town, to be called and designated as the Town of Galt.

II. So much of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Upper Cana-Acts as relates to incorporated towns, shall upon, from and after da Municipal the day last aforesaid, apply to the said Town of Galt, which shall Corporations have and exercise all and singular the same rights, powers, to it. privileges and jurisdiction as are given, granted or conferred upon, or as shall, by virtue of any Act or parts of Acts now in force in Upper Canada, or which shall hereafter be in force, belong to incorporated Towns; and all the rules, regulations, provisions and enactments therein contained, or which shall in any wise relate or belong to the same, shall apply to the Town of

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of Galt, as fully as if the said tract of land had become a Town under the ordinary operation of the said Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, with the exception hereinafter made as regards the first election.

Boundaries of the Town of Galt.

III. The Town of Galt shall consist of that part of this Province situate within the County of Waterloo, in Upper Canada, and lying within the following limits, that is to say: "Commencing on the western limit of lot number seven, in the centre of the tenth concession of the Township of Dumfries, in the said County of Waterloo; thence on the said limit, to the allowance for highway between the tenth and eleventh concessions; thence along the said allowance to its junction with the macadamized road leading from Galt to Dundas; thence on the same course as the side lines of the concession to the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road; thence along the said Turnpike Road, crossing the allowance for Highway betweeen the eleventh and twelfth concessions, to the junction of the said Turnpike Road with the common road leading from Galt to Preston; thence parallel to the allowance for highway between the eleventh and twelfth concessions, crossing the Grand River, to the side line between lots numbers eleven and twelve in the eleventh concession, produced into the twelfth concession; thence along the said side line, crossing the allowance for highway between the eleventh and twelfth concessions, and between lots numbers eleven and twelve in the eleventh concession, crossing the allowance for highway between the tenth and eleventh concessions, and between lots numbers eleven and twelve in the tenth concession, to the centre of the said tenth concession; thence through the centre of the said tenth concession, crossing the Grand River to the place of beginning."

To be divided into five Wards. IV. The said town of Galt shall be divided into five Wards, to be called respectively the First Ward, Second Ward, Third Ward, Fourth Ward, and Fifth Ward:

First Ward.

1. The said First Ward shall be bounded as follows, that is to say: commencing at the north-easterly angle of the Town, at the junction of the Dundas and Waterloo Tumpike Road with the common road leading from Galt to Preston; thence in a south-easterly direction along the west side of the Dundas and Waterloo Tumpike Road to Beverly street; thence along the centre of Beverly street to its junction with Church street; thence along Church street northerly to the centre of North street; thence west, along the centre of North street until it crosses North Water street; thence to the Grand River between the properties of James Kay and James Watson; thence northerly, along the east bank of the Grand River to the northern boundary of the Town; thence easterly, along the said boundary to the place of beginning.

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2. The said Second Ward shall be bounded as follows, that Second Ward. is to say: commencing where Beverly street intersects the Dundas and Waterloo Tumpike Road; thence south-easterly along the west side of the said road to the place where the Town line leaves the said Tumpike Road; thence southward along the Town boundary until it intersects the said Tumpike Road leading from Galt to the Toll-gate; thence westerly along the centre of the said road to the centre of Mill Creek; thence south-westerly along the centre of Mill Creek to the Grand River; thence northerly along the Grand River to the line between the properties of James Kay and James Watson before mentioned; thence easterly along the said line to North Water street; thence crossing North Water street and proceeding along the centre of North street easterly until it intersects Church street; thence southerly along Church street until it intersects Beverly street; and thence north-easterly along the centre of Beverly street to the place of beginning.

3. The said Third Ward shall be bounded as follows, that is Third Ward to say: commencing where the Town boundary crosses the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road leading from Galt to the Toll-gate; thence westerly along the road between the tenth and eleventh concessions of the Township of North Dumfries, to where the Town boundary leaves the concession road; thence southerly along the said boundary to the south-east angle of the Town; thence westerly along the southerly boundary of the Town to the Grand River; thence northerly along the easterly bank of the Grand River to the centre of Mill Creek; thence along the centre of Mill Creek to the centre of Main street; and thence along the centre of the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road to the place of beginning.

4. The said Fourth Ward shall be bounded as follows, that Fourth Ward. is to say: commencing at the centre of the bridge crossing the Grand River at Main street; thence westerly in a produced line from the centre of Main street to its intersection with the western boundary line of the Town; thence northerly along the said boundary to the north-west angle of the Town; thence easterly along the northern boundary thereof to the Grand River; thence southerly along the western bank of the Grand River, to the place of beginning.

5. The said Fifth Ward shall be bounded as follows, that is Fifth Ward. to say: commencing at the centre of the bridge crossing the Grand River at Main street; thence southerly along the western bank of the said River to the southerly boundary of the Town; thence west along that boundary to the south-west angle of the Town; thence northerly along the western boundary of the Town to the south-west angle of Fourth Ward; thence easterly along the southerly boundary of Fourth Ward to the place of beginning.

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Returning. Officer at first election. V. The Clerk for the time being of the said Village of Galt shall be *ex officio* Returning Officer for the purpose of holding the first municipal election under this Act, and shall, on or before he Twenty-first day of December next after the passing of this Act, by his warrant, appoint a Deputy Returning Officer for each of the five wards into which the said Town of Galt is hereby divided, to hold the first election therein ; and in the discharge of their duties, each Deputy Returning-Officer, shall severally be subject to all the provisions of the said Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts applicable to first elections in Towns incorporated under the said Acts.

Public Act.

VI. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

CAP. XVIII.

An Act to incorporate the Town of Owen Sound, in the County of Grey.

[Assented to 16th May, 1856.]

Preamble.

VHEREAS the inhabitants of the Village of Sydenham, in the County of Grey, have by their Petition represented, that by a census taken under the authority of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sydenham, in the month of December now last, the population of the Village amounted to one thousand and nine hundred and forty-five, and was then and is now rapidly increasing, so that by the end of the present year it will probably amount or very nearly approach to three thousand souls, the number required for its incorporation as a Town under the ordinary operation of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, and further that they are desirous to avoid the delay which must otherwise take place, and to have the said Village incorporated as a Town by the name of Owen Sound by a special Act, and the boundaries thereof and its division into Wards established as hereinafter provided, and it is expedient to grant their prayer and to provide accordingly : Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

Town of Owen Sound incorporated.

I. The tract of land lying within the boundaries hereinafter mentioned, shall, upon, from, and after the first day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, be incorporated as, and shall be a Town, to be called and designated as the Town of Owen Sound.

Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts to apply to it.

II. So much of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts as relates to incorporated Towns, shall, from and after the day last aforesaid, apply to the said Town of Owen Sound, and the said Town shall have and exercise all and singular the rights, powers, privileges and jurisdiction 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