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12 Victoria – Chapter 135

An Act to constitute a new Township, to be called the Township of Elgin, out of part of the Township of Hinchinbrook. 30th May, 1849.

Whereas it is expedient to divide the Township of Hinchinbrook, in the County of Beauharnois, into two Townships, in the manner hereinafter provided: 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, and 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, That the said Township of Hinchinbrook shall be and is hereby divided into two Townships to be called, respectively, the Township of Elgin and the Township of Hinchinbrook; and the said Township of Elgin shall include and consist of all that part of the now Township of Hinchinbrook, included within the following boundaries, that is to say: commencing at the point where the Trout River enters the River Chateauguay, thence proceeding along the line which divides the now Township of Hinchinbrook from that of Godmanchester, as far as the Province Line; thence eastward along the said Province Line, until it strikes the River Chateauguay; thence along the middle of the said last named River to the point of departure; and the Township of Hinchinbrook shall include and consist of all the remaining part of the now Township of Hinchinbrook.

II. And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall affect the seat, powers or rights of any Municipal Councillor elected in the now Township of Hinchinbrook, until the second Monday in July next after the passing of this Act, but upon that day all the Councillors elected for the said Township shall go out of office, and Councillors shall be elected for the Townships of Elgin and Hinchinbrook, respectively, in the manner by law provided.