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18 Victoria – Chapter 148

An Act to incorporate the Town of Paris, and to define the limits thereof. Assented to 19th May, 1855.

Whereas the Municipal Council of the Village of Paris, by Petition have prayed the Legislature to incorporate the same into a Town; And whereas the population of the same amounts to about two thousand four hundred inhabitants; And whereas it is expedient and necessary, and would tend to promote the benefit and convenience of the inhabitants, if the prayer of the said Petition were granted: Be it 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, as follows:

I. The tract of land within the boundaries or limits hereinafter described, shall upon, from and after the first day of January, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, be incorporated into a Town to be called and designated as the Town of Paris.

II. So much of the Upper Canada Municipal Coporations Acts as relates to Towns, shall be and is hereby incorporated in this Act, and the said Town of Paris shall have and exercise all and singular the same rights, powers, 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 winch shall in any wise relate or belong to the same, shall apply to the Town of Paris as fully as if the said tract of land had become a Town under the ordinary operation of the said Acts, with the exception hereinafter made for the first election.

III. The Town of Paris shall consist of all that part of this Province situate in the County of Brant, and lying within the following limits, that is to say: commencing at the North-westerly angle of Lot number Twelve in the First Concession of the Township of Brantford; thence, Southerly, along The limit between the said Lot and Lot number Eleven in the said Concession, for a distance equal to three quarters of the depth of the said Concession; thence, Easterly, by a line drawn parallel to the line in front of the Concession to the Grand River, and across the same to the Easterly bank thereof; thence, Northerly, along the water's edge of the said river, against the stream, to the Southern limit of the allowance for road between the Townships of Brantford and South Dumfries; thence, Easterly, along the Southern limit of the said allowance for road, to a point ten chains Eastward of the limit between Lots numbers Twenty- eight and Twenty-nine in the First Concession of the Township of South Dumfries, produced; thence, Northerly, parallel to the governing boundary of the Lots in the Gore of the said Township of South Dumfries to the limit From: British North America Legislative Database; University of New Brunswick bnald.lib.unb.ca

between the said Gore and the First Concession of South Dumfries; thence, Westerly, along the last mentioned limit to the limit between Lots numbers Twenty-eight and Twenty-nine in the First Concession of the Township of South Dumfries; thence, Northerly, along the limit between the last mentioned Lots to the centre line of the said First Concession; thence, Westerly, along the said centre line to the Easterly limit of the Galt road; thence, Northerly, along the Easterly limit of the Galt road, six chains, sixty links, more or less, to an angle in the said road; thence, Westerly, at right angles to the part of the Galt road before mentioned, to the rear line of Lots fronting on Jane street; thence, North-westerly, along the rear line of the said Lots to the limits between Lots numbers Thirty and Thirty-one in the First Concession of the Township of South Dumfries; thence, Northerly, along the limit between Lots numbers Thirty and Thirty-one aforesaid, to the allowance for road in the rear of the said First Concession; thence, Westerly, along the Southerly limit of the last mentioned allowance for road to the Westerly limit of the grounds belonging to the Buffalo, Brantford and Goderich Railway Company; thence, Southerly, along the Westerly limit of the said grounds as far as it continues on a straight line; thence, South-easterly, in prolongation of the said straight line, to the Northerly bank of Smith's Creek; thence, Southerly, following the Northerly bank of the said Creek, with the stream as it turns and winds to the centre line of the First Concession of the. Township of South Dumfries; thence, Westerly, across the said Creek and along the said centre line of the First Concession to the Westerly limit of the South-easterly quarter of Lot number Thirty-one in the First Concession of the Township of South Dumfries; thence, Southerly, along the Westerly limit of the South-westerly quarter of Lot number Thirty-one aforesaid and prolongation thereof, to the Southerly limit of the allowance for road between the Townships of South Dumfries and Brantford; thence, Easterly, along the Southerly limit of the last, mentioned road allowance to the place of beginning.

IV. The said Town of Paris shall be divided into four Wards, to be called, respectively: the South Ward, Queen's Ward, King's Ward and North Ward. The said South Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies South of Dundas street; Queen's Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town North of Dundas street, following Grand River and the South and West side of Smith's Creek to the Town boundary; King's Ward, to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies on the South side of Charlotte street to Smith's Creek, including the East side of Grand River and East side of River street North to the Railway, following it to the Grand River; North Ward to comprise all that part of the said Town which lies North of the South line of Charlotte street to the Town limits.

V. The Clerk for the time being of the said Village of Paris, shall be *ex officio* Returning Officer for the purpose of holding the first Municipal Election under this Act, and shall, on or before the Twenty-first day of December next after the passing of this Act, by his warrant, appoint a Deputy Returning Officer for each of the four Wards into which the said Town of Paris is hereby divided, to hold the first Election therein; and in the discharge of their duties such Deputy Returning Officers 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.

VI. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.