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20 Victoria – Chapter 19

An Act to separate the County of Bruce from the County of Huron. Assented to 16th May, 1856.

Whereas the Reeves of the several Townships of the County of Brace have by their Petition, prayed that the said County of Bruce, now united to the County of Huron, may be set apart as a separate County for judicial and other purposes, without unnecessary delay, and the sense of the said County being in favour of such separation, and the wealth and population thereof being sufficient to warrant the same, it is expedient to make provision to enable the said County to separate from the said County of Huron as soon as the necessary provisions for that purpose shall have been made: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

Upon, from and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, the Ι. Town Reeves and Deputy Town Reeves of the several Townships in the said County of Brace, as the same is described and limited in and by the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, An Act to make certain alterations in the Territorial Divisions of Upper Canada, shall form a Provisional Municipal Council for the said County, and shall, with respect to the said County, have, possess and exercise all and singular the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred, granted or imposed by the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, An Act for abolishing the Territorial Division of Upper Canada into Districts, and for providing for temporary Unions of Counties for judicial and other purposes, and for the future dissolution of such Unions as the increase of wealth and population may require, upon Provisional Municipal Councils erected by Proclamation under the authority of the said Act, and also all the powers which may be conferred on Provisional Municipal Councils generally by any other Act or Law in force in Upper Canada; and such Proclamations as may be necessary for such purpose shall and may be issued by the Governor in Council, in the same manner as such Proclamations may be issued under the said last recited Act.

II. This Act shall be deemed to be a Public Act.