

memberment or division thereof for civil purposes be subject to the same provisions of law, as if they had been erected, recognized and confirmed for civil purposes by the proper commissioners as aforesaid ; provided always that this act shall not in any manner affect any municipal apportionment, or the rights of any fabrique now existing for the localities erected into parishes by this act.

Commence-
ment of this
act.

2. This act shall come into force, on the first of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

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An Act to change the *chef-lieu* of the County of Ottawa, for municipal and registration purposes, from Aylmer to Hull.

[Assented to 24th December, 1872.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS by petition from the municipal council of the county of Ottawa, in this province, it appears that there are special and urgent reasons for the removal of the chief-place (*chef-lieu*) of the said county, from the village of Aylmer, to the place known as the village of Hull, in the township of Hull, in the said county, for municipal and registration purposes incident to the said county ; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

Municipal
chef-lieu to be
at Hull.

1. The municipal council of the county of Ottawa, in the province of Quebec, shall, in and for all matters municipal or thereunto relating, pertaining to the said county, henceforth ever hereafter have its chief-place (*chef-lieu*) to wit : for its sessions and business in general, in the place known as the village of Hull, in the township of Hull, in the said county of Ottawa ; and the same shall be for all such purposes, and for all the purposes of this act, the chief-place (*chef-lieu*) of the said county, in the sense in which such local designation is used or meant in the municipal code of the province of Quebec, or in any statute or law, in so far as regards the objects of this act ; and to such end, such chief-place (*chef-lieu*) is hereby changed and removed from the village of Aylmer to the said place known as the village of Hull, and there to be and remain.

Municipal
council may
provide for a
safe registry
office.

2. It shall be competent for the said municipal council of the county of Ottawa to provide for the construction and maintenance, in such chief-place (*chef-lieu*), of a registry office of and for the said county, with a suitable and sufficient fire-proof vault for the preservation of all books, deeds, documents, maps, plans, papers, and all other things pertaining to such office, the whole in accordance with the re-

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