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AN ACT to divide the county of Cayuga, and for  
other purposes.

- 1 **B**E it enacted by the people of the state of New-York, represented in senate and assembly, That all that part of the county of Cayuga beginning at the head of the Seneca lake, and running thence east, on the south bounds of the said county, to the south-east corner of the town of Ulysses ; thence north to the north-east corner of said town ; thence west to the middle of the Cayuga lake ; thence down the middle of said lake to the outlet thereof ; thence down the outlet of said lake to the west line of the town of Brutus ; thence north by the west lines of the towns of Brutus and Cato, to the north-west corner of the town of Cato ; thence north to lake Ontario ; thence west along said lake to the county of Ontario ; thence south along the east line of said county, to the Seneca lake ; thence south through the middle of the Seneca lake to the place of beginning, shall be one separate and distinct county, and shall be called and known by the name of
- 2 Seneca ; and all that part of the said county of Cayuga lying west of the county of Seneca, and opposite to the county of Ontario, shall be and hereby is annexed to the said county of Ontario,
- 3 and all that part of the said county of Cayuga lying west of the said county of Seneca, and opposite to the county of Steuben, shall be annexed

to the said county of Steuben, and all the residue 4  
of the said county of Cayuga shall be and remain  
a separate county by the name of Cayuga.

*And be it further enacted,* That there shall be 5  
held in and for the said county of Seneca, a court  
of common pleas, and a court of general sessions  
of the peace, and that there shall be two terms of 6  
the same courts in the same county in every  
year to commence as follows, to wit: The  
first term of the said courts shall begin on the se-  
cond Tuesday of May next, and may continue to  
be held until the Saturday following, inclusive ;  
and the second term of the said courts shall be-  
gin on the second Tuesday of November next,  
and may continue to be held until the Saturday  
following, inclusive ; and the said courts of com-  
mon pleas and general sessions of the peace, shall 7  
have the same jurisdiction, powers and authority  
in the said county, as the courts of common pleas  
and general sessions of the peace in the other  
counties of this state have in their respective  
counties : *Provided,* That nothing in this act  
contained, shall be construed to affect any suit  
or action in any court whatever already commen-  
ced, or that shall be commenced before the se-  
cond Tuesday of May next, so as to work a wrong  
or prejudice to any of the parties therein or to  
affect any criminal or other proceedings on the  
part of the people of this state, but all such civil  
and criminal proceedings shall and may be prose-  
cuted to trial, judgment and execution, as if this  
act had not been passed.

*And be it further enacted,* That the said courts 8  
of common pleas and general sessions of the  
peace in the said county of Seneca, shall be hold-  
en at the meeting-house, on lot number thirty in  
the town of Ovid, until further legislative aid in  
the premises.

9 *And be it further enacted,* That the freeholders and inhabitants of the said county hereby erected, shall have and enjoy all and every the same rights, powers and privileges as the freeholders and inhabitants of any other county in this state are by law entitled to have and enjoy.

10 *And be it further enacted,* That it shall and may be lawful for all courts and officers of the said county of Seneca, in all cases, civil and criminal, to confine their prisoners in the gaol of the county of Tioga, and that it shall not be the duty of the justices of the supreme court to hold a circuit court once in every year in the said county of Seneca, unless in their judgment they shall deem it proper and necessary, any thing in the act, entitled "An act for regulating trials of issues and returning able and sufficient jurors," to the contrary notwithstanding.

12 *And be it further enacted,* That the said county of Seneca shall be entitled to choose one member of assembly, and the county of Cayuga shall be entitled to choose two members of assembly, in the same manner as other counties in this state are by law entitled.

14 *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the supervisors of the said counties of Cayuga and Seneca to meet together on the second Tuesday of June next, at the village of Aurora, in the town of Scipio, and adjust all accounts, and apportion all the monies in the hands of the treasurer of the said county of Cayuga, as to them, or a majority of them, shall appear just and equitable.

15 *And be it further enacted,* That the supervisors in the several towns in the county of Seneca, for the time being, or a majority of them, shall be and they are hereby authorized and required to direct to be raised and levied on the freeholders and inhabitants of the said county, the sum of one thousand dollars, for building a court-house and gaol

in said county, with the additional sum of five cents on each dollar for collecting the same, which sums shall be raised at such times, levied and collected in the same manner as the other necessary and contingent charges of the county are levied and collected.

*And be it further enacted,* That John Sayer, 16  
 James Van Horne and Grover Smith be, and they  
 are hereby appointed commissioners to superin-  
 tend the building of the court-house and gaol in  
 the said county of Seneca, which said court-house 17  
 and gaol shall be erected in the town of Ovid, and  
 not more than four miles south of the north line of 22  
 said town, and not less than three miles from the  
 Seneca and Cayuga lakes, at such place within  
 the limits aforesaid, and on such plan as the said  
 commissioners, or a majority of them, shall judge 18  
 best; and the said commissioners, or a majority 18  
 of them, may contract with workmen and purchase  
 materials for erecting said court-house and gaol,  
 and shall, from time to time, draw upon the trea-  
 surer of the said county for such sums of money  
 for the purposes aforesaid as shall come into the  
 treasury by virtue of this act; and the treasurer 19  
 is hereby required, out of the monies aforesaid, to  
 pay to the order of the said commissioners the  
 several sums of money to be by them drawn for; 20  
 and it is hereby made the duty of the said com-  
 missioners to account with the supervisors of the  
 said county for the monies which they shall have  
 received from the treasury, when thereunto re-  
 quired.

*And be it further enacted,* That it shall be law- 21  
 ful for the treasurer of the said county of Se-  
 neca to retain in his hands one cent on each dol-  
 lar for his trouble in receiving and paying out the  
 monies directed to be raised in said county by  
 this act.

- 22 *And be it further enacted,* That the supervisors of the several towns in the county of Cayuga for the time being, or a majority of them, shall be, and they are hereby authorized and required to direct to be raised and levied on the freeholders and inhabitants of the said county of Cayuga, the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars, for building a court-house and gaol in the said county, with the additional sum of five cents on each dollar for collecting the same, which sums shall be raised and collected in the same manner as the necessary and contingent charges of the county are levied and collected.
- 23 *And be it further enacted,* That John Tillotson, Augustus Chidsey, and John Grover, junior, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to superintend the building the court-house and gaol
- 24 in said county of Cayuga, which said court-house and gaol shall be erected on the Popple Ridge road, and within one mile of the south end of lot number forty-six, in the town of Scipio, at such place and on such plan as the said commissioners,
- 25 or a majority of them, shall judge best ; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, may contract with workmen and purchase materials for erecting said court-house and gaol, and shall, from time to time, draw upon the treasurer of the said county for such sums of money for the purpose aforesaid as shall come into the treasury by
- 26 virtue of this act ; and the treasurer is hereby required, out of the monies aforesaid, to pay to the order of the said commissioners the several sums
- 27 of money to be by them drawn for ; and it is hereby made the duty of the commissioners to account with the supervisors of the said county for the monies which they shall have received from the treasury when thereunto required.

*And be it further enacted,* That it shall and 28  
 may be lawful for the treasurer of the said county  
 of Cayuga to retain in his hands one cent on each  
 dollar, for his trouble in receiving and paying  
 out the monies directed to be raised in said coun-  
 ty by this act.

*And be it further enacted,* That the courts of 29  
 common pleas and general sessions of the peace  
 in the said county of Cayuga, shall be held at the  
 village of Aurora, in the town of Scipio in said  
 county, until further legislative aid in the premi-  
 ses : *Provided,* That nothing contained in this  
 act shall be construed to affect any suit or action,  
 in any court whatever, already commenced, or  
 that shall be commenced before the third Tues-  
 day of May next, so as to work a wrong or pre-  
 judice to any of the parties therein, or to affect a-  
 ny criminal or other proceedings on the part of  
 the people of this state, but all such civil and  
 criminal proceedings shall and may be prosecut-  
 ed to trial, judgment and execution, as if this act  
 had not been passed.

STATE OF NEW-YORK.

*In Assembly, March 10th, 1804.*

This bill having been read the third time—

*Resolved,* That the bill do pass.

*By order of the Assembly,*

ALEXR. SHELDON, *Speaker.*

STATE OF NEW-YORK.

*In Senate, March 21st, 1804.*

This bill having been read the third time—

*Resolved,* That the bill do pass.

*By order of the Senate,*

JER. V. RENSSELAER, *President.*

*In Council of Revision,*

*March the 24th, 1804.*

*Resolved,* That it does not appear improper to  
 the council, that this bill should become a law of  
 this state.

GEO. CLINTON.