

diately on such payment of purchase money or rent as aforesaid, and entry of such agreements, sales, conveyances, determinations by arbitration, verdicts, judgments and other proceedings of the said Court and Juries, all the estate, right, title, interest, use, trust, property, claim and demand in law and equity of the person or persons for whose use such money or rent shall be paid into and out of the said lands, grounds, tenements, hereditaments and premises shall vest in the said Company of Proprietors and their successors, and they shall be deemed in law to be in actual possession and seizin of the same to all intents and purposes whatsoever as fully and effectually as if every person having an estate therein had been able to convey and had actually conveyed the same to them by the most effectual legal conveyance, and such payment shall bar all right, title, interest, claim and demand of the person or persons to whose use the same shall be made, bodies politic, corporate or collegiate, ecclesiastical or civil communities, women subject to marital authority, minors, interdicted persons or absentees who may have or claim to have any right, title, interest, claim or demand therein, and of every other person or persons whomsoever even for dower not yet open, (*douaire non encore ouvert*), any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

25 XVIII. And be it enacted, That application to the said Court for indemnity for any damages or injury sustained by reason of the powers and authority given by this Act shall be made within six Calendar months next after the time of such supposed damage sustained, or in case there shall be a continuation of damage, then within six Calendar months next after the doing or committing such damage, shall cease, and not afterwards, and the defendant or defendants shall and may plead the general issue, and give this Act and the special matter in evidence at any trial to be had thereupon, and may aver that the same was done in pursuance and by authority of this Act.

Claims for damages to be instituted within six months.

XIX. And be it enacted, That if any person shall by any means or in any manner or way whatsoever, obstruct or interrupt the free use of the said Rail-Way, or the carriages, engines, or other works incidental or relative thereto, or connected therewith, such person shall for every such offence incur a forfeiture or penalty of not less than five pounds, nor exceeding ten pounds currency, one half of which penalty and forfeiture to be recovered before one or more Justices of the Peace for the District, shall go to the prosecutor or informer, and the other half to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and shall be paid into the hands of the Receiver General, and be applied for the public uses of this Province, and the support of the government thereof.

Penalties for interruption.