

An Act to enable John Watson, of the Village of Ayr, in the County of Waterloo, to construct a Dam and Water Course, for manufacturing and other purposes, and to take all lands necessary therefor.

WHEREAS John Watson, of the Village of Ayr, in the County of Waterloo, Ironfounder, has presented a petition to the Legislature, setting forth, that he has for some years carried on the business of an Ironfounder at the said village, that he is desirous of increasing the same, and of adding thereto other mechanical and manufacturing works, and has, to enable him to obtain the necessary water power to drive the machinery required for said objects, purchased a considerable quantity of land through which Smith's Creek passes in its course through the said Village of Ayr, so as to enable him to build a Dam across the said Smith's Creek, and make a Water Course therefrom through certain lands hereinafter mentioned, but is unable to obtain all the land necessary for making such course or channel, as a portion required belongs to some minors, and a portion is held by Church Trustees, and a side line also has to be crossed, and has by his said petition, prayed the Legislature to pass an Act, authorizing him to take all land necessary for the aforesaid purposes, upon paying for the same as hereinafter set forth, and has in and by his said petition alleged that the erection of the said works will be of great benefit to the village and neighborhood; And whereas a large number of inhabitants of the said village and the surrounding country have also presented their petition to the Legislature in support of the prayer of the said petition of said John Watson; And whereas it is desirable that the prayer of the said petition be granted; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. The said John Watson and his heirs and assigns, shall have power and authority to build a Dam, and maintain the same when so erected, across Smith's Creek on land belonging to him, either on part of lot number thirty-six, or part of lot number thirty-seven, or both, in the eighth concession of the Township of North Dumfries; with the right and privilege of overflowing with water by means of the said Dam, that part of the side line between lots numbers thirty-six and thirty-seven in the eighth concession aforesaid, which crosses the Creek and is adjacent thereto, but so as nevertheless not to interfere with the present travelled Road across the said Creek—(the side line across the Creek not being passable, and the present travelled Road having been made to avoid that difficulty,) and doing no injury or damage to any owner of land further up the Creek, by penning back the water upon lands not belonging unto him, the said John Watson, and making proper slides for timber to pass over the same if required; And also the said John Watson his heirs and assigns shall have power and authority to enter into and

Power to make a dam across Smith's Creek at a certain point in North Dumfries.

Power to survey for a water course.