

require, paying to the said Secretary of this Province or to the said respective Clerks of the Peace at the rate of six pence current money of this Province for every one hundred words, and the said copies of the said map or plan and book of reference so deposited, or a true copy or copies thereof, certified by the Secretary of the Province, or by one of the said Clerks of the Peace for the said respective Districts, shall severally be, and they are hereby declared to be good evidence in the Courts of Law and elsewhere.

dence in points of law.

VIII. Whenever any highway or public road shall be cut through by the said Canal or any of its branches, the said Company shall within one month thereafter cause to be constructed a secure and sufficient bridge over the same, so as to establish the communication between the several parts of such highway, under a penalty of five pounds per day for every day after the expiring of the said time, which the Company shall neglect to construct the said bridge.

Bridges to be constructed by Company.

Penalty for neglect.

IX. If any person or persons shall maliciously or wilfully break, injure, throw down or destroy any bank, lock, gate, sluice or any other work, machine or device belonging or pertaining to the said Company, or do any other wilful act, hurt or mischief, to disturb, hinder or prevent the carrying into execution the completing and supporting the said Canal and navigation or any of its branches, feeders or other connections or works belonging to the said Company, every such person or persons so offending shall forfeit and pay to the said Company the full value of the damage so done, including loss or inconvenience occasioned by such obstruction, proved by the oath of two or more credible witnesses to have been done; such damages, with costs of suits in that behalf incurred, to be recovered in any Court in this Province having competent jurisdiction, or in case of default of payment such offender or offenders shall and may be committed to the Common Jail for any time not exceeding twelve months, at the discretion of the Court before whom such offenders shall have been convicted.

Penalty for wilfully injuring or destroying works, &c.

X. If any person shall obstruct or impede the navigation of the said canal or other portion of the said intended navigation by the introduction of any timber, or boats, or vessels, contrary to the rules and regulations laid down for the government of the same to be made by the said Directors, and shall not immediately, upon notice given to the owner or person in charge of such timber, boat or vessel so obstructing the navigation, remove the same, every such owner or person in charge of such timber, raft, boat or vessel so obstructing or impeding the navigation as aforesaid shall forfeit and pay the sum of one pound currency, for every hour during which the said obstruction shall continue, and it shall be lawful for the Company or their servants to cause such obstruction to be removed, and to cause every such boat, vessel, or raft as shall be so over laden as to cause obstruction, to be detained and unloaded, so as to prevent or remove such obstruction and to recover the cost of so doing from the owner or person in charge of the same, and to seize and detain such vessel, boat, or raft, and the cargo thereof, or any part of the cargo or furniture of such vessel, boat or raft, until the charges occasioned by such unloading or removal or both shall be paid or satisfied; And if any vessel, boat or raft shall be sunk in any part of the said intended navigation and the owners shall neglect or refuse to weigh and remove the same forthwith, the said Company may cause the same to be weighed and removed and retain the same until all charges necessarily incurred in so doing shall be paid or satisfied, and all such charges may be recovered in any court of competent jurisdiction from the owners or persons in charge of such vessel, boat, or raft.

Persons obstructing navigation, &c., to be fined.