

ruption or
negligence.

Proviso: quorum of Board in such case.

Chain bearers to take an oath, to act justly, not to be related to parties interested within fourth degree.

Land Surveyors to verify the length of their chains by French and English standards.

Fees for such verification.

Hindering Surveyors while discharging their duty to be a misdemeanor.

Punishment.

corruption in the execution of the duties of his office ; Provided always that they shall not dismiss or suspend such Land Surveyor without having previously summoned him to appear in order to be heard in his defence, nor without having heard the evidence which shall have been offered, both in support of the complaint and on behalf of the Surveyor inculpated ; Provided also, that among the seven Directors required to form a quorum, three at least shall also be members of the Board of Examiners ; Provided also, that such complaint be heard at any of the quarterly meetings of the Board of Directors, and that the said Board have power to adjourn such meeting as they shall deem fit. 5 10

XV Each and every chain-bearer acting in Lower Canada shall, before he commences his chaining or measuring, take an oath or affirm, to act as such justly and exactly according to the best of his judgment and ability, and to render a true account of his chaining or measuring to the Surveyor by whom he may have been appointed to such duty, and that he is absolutely disinterested in the survey in question, and is not related or allied to any of the parties interested in the survey within the fourth degree according to the computation of the civil law, that is to say, within the degree of cousin-german, which oath the Surveyor employing such chain-bearer is hereby authorized and required to administer ; nor shall any person related or allied to any of the parties within the said degree, be employed as a chain-bearer on any survey. 15 20

XVI. Each and every Land Surveyor duly admitted and practising, or who shall hereafter be admitted to practise in Lower Canada, shall procure and cause to be examined, corrected and stamped, or otherwise certified by the Secretary of the Board of Examiners aforesaid, a standard measure of length, comprising French and English measures, under the penalty of the forfeiture of his license or certificate, and shall, previously to proceeding on any survey, verify the length of his chains or other instruments for measuring, by such standard ; Provided always, that any such surveyor shall not already have procured such standard measure so stamped or certified ; Provided also, that the standard French measure of length and the copy of the standard English measure of length now in the possession of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners as now constituted, shall be and remain in the possession of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners constituted by this Act ; and such Secretary, when called upon by any Surveyor to examine and stamp, or otherwise certify such standard measure, may demand and receive from such Surveyor *fifty cents* for so doing. 25 30 35

XVII. From and after the passing of this Act, if any person or persons shall, in any part of Lower Canada, interrupt, molest or hinder any Land Surveyor while in the discharge of his duty as a Surveyor, such person or persons shall be deemed to have been guilty of a misdemeanor, and being thereof lawfully convicted in any Court of competent jurisdiction, or before a Justice of the Peace, when no such Court is at hand, may be punished by fine or imprisonment, or both, in the discretion of such Court or such Justice of the Peace, such imprisonment not to exceed two months nor such fine to exceed *twenty dollars*, without any prejudice to any civil remedy which such Surveyor or any party may have against such offender or offenders in damages by reason of such offence ; and any Land Surveyor, when engaged in the performance of the duties of his profession, shall be and is hereby 40 45 50