

"provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in *"North America,"* and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province ;" And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that it shall and may be lawful, from and after the passing of this Act, for the proprietors of the said Dorchester Bridge, or any number of them representing at least two thirds of the shares in the said Bridge, voting according to the shares which they may respectively hold in the said bridge, one vote for each share, to build and erect a Draw-Bridge at the place above-mentioned, over the aforesaid River Saint Charles, the Draw-gate of which said Bridge, for the passage of the vessels, boats or rafts shall at least be fifty feet in the clear between the pillars ; and when finished and completed, to ask, demand, recover and receive, before any passage over the said bridge shall be permitted, the same toll as by law they, the Proprietors aforesaid, now are entitled to have for passage over Dorchester Bridge aforesaid ; which said Draw-Bridge when erected, shall be, and the same is hereby vested in the present proprietors of the aforesaid Dorchester Bridge, their heirs and assigns for ever, in the same proportions as they the Proprietors, at the time of the passing of this Act, are possessed of the shares and tolls in and of Dorchester Bridge, unless it shall hereafter be otherwise mutually agreed upon by the said Proprietors. Provided always, that if His Majesty shall, after the expiration of fifty years from the date of the Letters Patent in virtue of which Dorchester Bridge aforesaid hath been constructed, assume the possession and property of the said Draw-Bridge, with the Toll-House, Turnpike and the dependencies which may thereunto appertain and belong, and the ascent and approaches thereto, the Proprietors of the said Draw-Bridge, their heirs, executors, curators and assigns shall be entitled to recover and have from His Majesty, his heirs and successors, the full and entire value which the same shall bear and be worth at the time of such assumption, and the said tolls shall from the time of such assumption appertain and belong to His Majesty, his heirs and successors, who shall from thenceforward be substituted in the stead of the said Proprietors of the said Draw-Bridge for all and every the purposes of this Act.

After the passing of this Act, the Proprietors of Dorchester Bridge may build a Draw Bridge over the river St. Charles, at the place fixed for the new Bridge.

If His Majesty after 50 years from the date of the Letters Patent, in virtue of which Dorchester Bridge has been granted, shall assume the property of the said draw Bridge, then the Tolls shall belong to His Majesty.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that such of the Proprietors of Dorchester Bridge aforesaid as may be unwilling to incur the expence of contributing towards the building of the intended Draw-Bridge herein-before mentioned, shall not be bound in any manner to contribute towards the building and erection of the same, and in order that such Proprietors as may be unwilling to incur their proportion of the expence for the erection of the said intended Draw-Bridge, may be indemnified for the loss of their respective shares of the tolls on Dorchester Bridge aforesaid, three *experts* or arbitrators shall be mutually named and appointed by the Proprietors willing to erect the said intended Draw-Bridge,

Such proprietors of Dorchester bridge, as may be unwilling to incur the expence of building the draw bridge, to be indemnified for the loss of their respective shares of the toll on Dorchester bridge.