

in the said undertaking, and that such call or calls was or were in fact made, and that such notice thereof was given as directed by this Act, without proving the appointment of the Directors who made such call or calls; or any matter whatsoever; and the said Company shall thereupon 5 be entitled to recover what shall appear due, unless it shall appear that any such call exceeded two pounds ten shillings at any one time upon any one share of six pounds five shillings, or was not made after the interval of *two* 10 calendar months from the last preceding call, or was made without notice given in any newspapers as aforesaid.

Penalty on persons impeding Officers of Company in execution of duty.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That if any person shall wilfully obstruct or impede any officer or agent of the said Company in the execution of his duty with regard to the said Telegraph, or the using thereof, or of any ap- 15 paratus or works thereto appertaining, or upon or in any of the stations or other works or premises connected therewith; or if any person shall wilfully trespass upon the said Telegraph or any of the stations or other works or premises connected with the said Telegraph, and shall 20 refuse to quit the same upon request to him made by any officer or agent of the said Company, every such person so offending, and all others aiding and assisting therein shall and may be seized and detained by any such officer or agent, or any person whom he may call to his as- 25 sistance, until such offender or offenders can be conveniently taken before some Justice of the Peace for the District or County wherein such offence shall be committed, and when convicted before such Justice as aforesaid, (who is hereby authorized and required, upon com- 30 plaint to him upon oath, to take cognizance thereof, and to act summarily in the premises) shall, in the discretion of such Justice, forfeit to Her Majesty any sum not exceeding *ten pounds*; and in default of payment thereof, shall or may be imprisoned for any term not exceeding 35 two calendar months; such imprisonment to be determined on payment of the amount of penalty.

Form of conviction of offenders against this Act.

XXXIX. And for the more easy and speedy conviction of offenders against this Act, Be it further enacted, That all and every the Justice and Justices of the Peace 40 before whom any person or persons shall be convicted of any offence against this Act, shall and may cause the conviction to be drawn up according to the following, or in any other form of words to the same effect, as the case shall happen, viz. :--

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“ To Wrr.—Be it remembered that on the
 “ day of in the year of Our Lord One Thousand
 “ Eight Hundred and A. B. is convicted before me,
 “ C. D. (or before C. D. and E. F.) one (or two) of Her
 “ Majesty’s Justices of the Peace for the District or County 50
 “ of (*specifying the offence and the time and*