

all times be and be continued of such breadth as to leave a clear open space under every such arch of not less than ten feet, and of a height from the surface of each public highway in the centre of such arch, of not less than twelve feet; and that at all places where it may be necessary to erect, build, or make any bridge or bridges for carrying any public carriage road or highway over the said Railroad, the ascent of every such bridge for the purpose of every such road, shall not be more than one foot in twenty feet, and a good and sufficient fence shall be made on each side of every such bridge, which fence shall not be less than four feet above the level of such bridge; Provided always, that no land shall be taken by the said Company from any public highway, but their right shall be limited to the laying down, across, or along the same, the rails and other contrivances forming part of the said Railroad, subject to the limitation mentioned in the section, or any other part of this Act.

*Proviso.*

*Further precautions.*

IV. And be it enacted, That the said Company shall at each and every place where the said Railroad shall cross any highway on a level, erect and keep up a sign-board, stretching across the highway at such a height as to leave sixteen feet from the highway to the lower edge of the sign-board, and having the words, "Railway Crossing," painted on each side of such sign-board in both the French and English languages, and in letters not less than six inches in length: and for each and every neglect to comply with this requirement, the said Company shall incur a penalty of five pounds currency.

*Quantity of Land which may be taken.*

V. And be it enacted, That the said lands or grounds which may be taken without the consent of the proprietor thereof, by the said Company, for the purposes of the present Act as hereinafter provided, shall not exceed thirty yards in breadth, except in such places where the said intended Railroad shall be raised more than five feet higher or cut more than five feet deeper than the present surface of the land; and in such places where it shall be judged necessary to have the offsets for the locomotives or other engines and carriages using the said intended Railroad to lie or pass each other (and not above one hundred yards in breadth in any such place, or where any houses, warehouses, wharves, toll-houses, watch-houses, weighing-beams, cranes, fixed engines or inclined planes may be erected, or goods, wares, merchandize be delivered), and then not more than two hundred yards in length, by one hundred and fifty yards in breadth.

*Taking beach lots, crossing rivers, &c.*

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to take, use, occupy and hold, but not to alienate, so much of the public beach or beach road of the River Ottawa and of the River Saint Lawrence, or of the land covered with the waters of either of those rivers,