

IV. The Company, and any other Telegraph Company already or hereafter to be incorporated under any general or special Act of the Province, may, when so incorporated, and any individual may purchase from the said William Weller, his executors, administrators and assigns, and may hold and convey all and singular the Telegraph Line and property mentioned in the preamble of this Act, and all such other property of a similar nature, as he, the said William Weller, may have already constructed or acquired or may hereafter construct or acquire, or any part thereof, and, upon such purchase, may maintain and keep up the same and take down renew and re-erect the same, in the same or any other public roads, highways, and waters of the Province, and make the necessary excavations therefor and cut down and remove all trees that may obstruct or interfere with the erection or efficient working of the same, and may construct such Branches and other additional lines as may be thought advisable, along and upon and under any of the public roads and highways, or across, through and under any of the waters of the Province by the erection of the necessary posts, piers and abutments for sustaining the wires of such lines; provided the same shall not be so constructed as to interfere with the public use of such roads or highways or impede the free access to any house or other building erected in the vicinity of the same or injuriously to interrupt the navigation of such waters, and all such posts, piers, abutments and all wires and other apparatus therewith connected, shall be and be deemed to be to all intents and purposes the personal property of the Company or individual owning, acquiring or constructing the same, although the lands in which the same are set up be not the property of such Company or individual.

V. Until the purchase from the said William Weller, his executors, administrators or assigns of the said Telegraph Line and other property aforesaid by "the Company" or by some other Telegraph Company or individual, the said Telegraph Line and all other, the property mentioned in the preamble of this Act shall be and are hereby declared to be and to have been from the said eighteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, and all property of a similar nature, acquired or constructed since that date or that may hereafter be acquired by the said William Weller, shall be and is hereby declared to be and to have been from the time of such acquirement or construction, vested in the said William Weller, his executors, administrators and assigns to his and their own use and benefit for ever; and the said William Weller, his executors, administrators and assigns, shall have and are hereby declared to have and have had from the said eighteenth day of August, all the powers and privileges conferred by this Act upon "the Company," including the power of constructing Branches and additional lines, of maintaining the lines already constructed, and of selling the same to any individual or Company.

The line and powers vested in W. Weller, until sold by him.

VI. If any person shall, by any means or in any manner whatever, obstruct or interrupt the free use of the Telegraph Line already or hereafter to be constructed, or the other works incidental or relative thereto or connected therewith, such person shall, for every such offence, incur a forfeiture or penalty not less than five pounds, nor more than ten pounds, one half of which penalty and forfeiture, to be recovered before one or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the District, County, City or Town in which such offence shall happen or in which such person shall be found, shall go to the informer or prosecutor, and the

Penalty for obstructing the use of the Telegraph.