

Punishment  
of persons  
injuring the  
works.

25. Any person who shall wilfully or maliciously injure molest or destroy any of the said lines, posts, piers or abutments or the material or property belonging thereto, or in any way obstruct the working of the said line of Telegraph, shall on conviction thereof, be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and be liable to be punished in the manner by law provided for such offences. 5