

thereof, or shall interrupt or disturb the said Paul Girard, or any person or persons employed by him for building or repairing the said Bridge, or making or repairing the way over the same, or any road or avenue leading thereto, or shall at any time drive faster than a walk on the said Bridge, every person so offending in each of the cases aforesaid shall, for every such offence, forfeit a sum not exceeding eight dollars, or be imprisoned for a period not exceeding ten days in the common gaol of the District.

8. As soon as the bridge shall be and for so long as it shall continue to be passable and open for the use of the public, no person shall erect, or cause to be erected, any bridge or bridges; nor use or cause to be used, by way of ferry, any vessel or vessels of any kind, for the carriage of any person, cattle or carriages whatsoever, for hire or otherwise, across the said river, within the distance of two miles above and two miles below the said bridge, measuring along the banks of the said river, and following its windings; and if any person or persons shall erect a toll-bridge or toll-bridges, or any free bridge or bridges of any kind, or establish any ferries of any kind, over or upon the said river, within the said limits, he shall pay to the said Paul Girard treble the tolls hereby imposed, for all persons, cattle, horses and carriages which shall pass over any such bridge or ferry.

9. If any person shall maliciously pull down, burn, destroy, or injure the said bridge, or any part thereof, or the Toll-gate or Toll-house, or other dependencies to be erected by virtue of this Act, every person so offending and thereof legally convicted, shall be deemed guilty of felony.

10. The said Paul Girard, to entitle himself to the benefits and advantages to him by this Act granted, shall and he is hereby required to erect and complete the said Bridge, Toll-house, Toll-gate, and dependencies within four years from the day of the passing of this Act; and if the same shall not be completed within the term last mentioned, so as to afford a convenient and safe passage over the said Bridge, the said Paul Girard shall cease to have any right, title or claim of, in or to the tolls hereby imposed, which shall from thence forward belong to Her Majesty, and the said Paul Girard shall not, by the said tolls, or in any other manner or way, be entitled to any re-imbusement of the expense he may have incurred in and about the building of the said Bridge; and in case the said Bridge, after it shall have been erected and completed, shall at any time become impassable or unsafe for travellers, cattle or carriages, the said Paul Girard shall, and he is hereby required, within two years from the time at which the said Bridge shall, by Her Majesty's Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for the said District of Quebec, be ascertained to be impassable or unsafe, and notice thereof to him by the said Court shall have been given, cause the same to be made safe and commodious for the passage of travellers, cattle and carriages; and if, within the time last mentioned, the said bridge be not repaired or rebuilt, as the case may require, then the said bridge, or such part thereof as shall be remaining, shall be, and be taken, and considered to be the property of Her Majesty; and after such default to repair or rebuild the said bridge, the said Paul Girard shall cease to have any right, title, or claim of, in or to the said bridge, or to the remaining parts thereof, and the tolls hereby granted, and his and each and every of his right in the premises, shall be wholly and forever terminated.