

## CAP. XLVIII.

AN Act to incorporate sundry Persons by the name of the Saint John Bridge Company.

*Passed 17th March 1835.*

6 **W**HEREAS it will be of great advantage to the Public in general if a Bridge were erected across the River Saint John near the Falls of the said River at its mouth: And Whereas it is thought advisable to incorporate such Persons as may be desirous and willing at their own costs and charges to make and maintain such Bridge, and also to open and make such Roads as may be necessary at either end of the said Bridge to connect the same with the public Roads lying and being adjacent thereto in the City and County of Saint John;

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That Benjamin L. Peters, Ralph M. Jarvis, Nehemiah Merritt, John Robertson, James Peters, Junior, James Hendricks, David Hatfield, Robert W. Crookshank, Robert Rankin, Robert F. Hazen, Edward L. Jarvis, Charles Simonds, Edward B. Chandler, William Crane, Hugh Johnston, Thomas Wyer, John W. Weldon and Jedediah Slason, their associates, successors and assigns, be and they are hereby declared to be a Body Corporate by the name of the Saint John Bridge Company, and that they shall be persons able and capable in Law to have, get, receive, take, possess and enjoy Houses, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments and Rents in fee simple or otherwise, and also goods and chattels, and all other things real, personal or mixed, and also to give, grant, let or assign the same or any part thereof, and to do and execute all other things in and about the same as they shall think necessary for the benefit and advantage of the said Corporation, and also that they be persons able and capable in Law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended in any Court or Courts of Law or Equity, or other places whatsoever, in all and all manner of actions, suits, complaints, demands, pleas, causes and matters whatsoever, in as full and ample a manner as any other person or persons are in law capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered unto; and also that they shall have one common seal to serve for the enrolling of all and singular their grants, deeds, conveyances, contracts, bonds, articles of agreement, assignments, powers, warrants of attorney, and all and singular their affairs and things touching and concerning the said Corporation; and also that the said Company or the major part of the Stockholders thereof, met together at any meeting of the said Stockholders, shall from time to time and at all times have full power, authority and license to constitute, ordain, make and establish such Bye Laws and Ordinances as may be thought necessary for the good rule and government of the said Corporation; provided that such bye laws and ordinances be not contradictory or repugnant to the Laws and Statutes of the Province and those in force within the same.

II. And be it enacted, That the capital or stock of the said Corporation shall consist of the sum of twenty thousand pounds, to be paid in such money as shall at the time of the several payments hereinafter expressed be a legal tender in this Province; two thousand pounds, being one-tenth part thereof, to be paid within twelve months after the passing of this Act, and the remaining nine tenths or eighteen thousand pounds, to be paid at such time and times and in such parts or portions as the Directors for the time being shall from time to time think necessary; the whole amount of such Capital or Stock to be divided into Shares of twenty-five pounds each, making in the whole eight hundred shares.

III. And be it enacted, That every Subscriber or Stockholder shall pay into the hands of the Directors for the time being, at such time and place within the said twelve months as aforesaid as such Directors shall for that