

King's Bench for the District of Montreal, amongst the records of the said Court, and shall be deemed and taken to be records of the said Court to all intents and purposes, and the same or true copies thereof shall be allowed to be good evidence in all Courts in this Province, and all persons shall have liberty to inspect the same, paying for each inspection the sum of two shillings, and to take Copies thereof on paying for each copy not exceeding two Hundred words the sum of ——— pence and so in proportion for any less number of words.

XVII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid that if any person or persons shall wilfully, maliciously and to the prejudice of the said Canal, break, throw down, damage or destroy any Bark, Lock, Gate, Sluice or any works, machine or device to be erected or made by virtue of this Act, or do any other wilful act, hurt or mischief to disturb, hinder or prevent the carrying into execution and completing, supporting and maintaining the said Canal, every such person or persons so offending shall forfeit and pay to the said Commissioners or a majority of them, treble the value of the damage proved by the Oath of two or more credible witnesses to have been done; such damages together with costs of suit in that behalf expended to be recovered by action of debt in any Court in this Province having Jurisdiction competent to the sum; or in case of default of payment such offender or offenders may be committed to the common Goal for any time not exceeding ——— Months at the discretion of the Court before which such offender shall be convicted.