

*dred pounds, conditioned to be void on the erection of a good sufficient and convenient Boat to be worked by Steam, and competent to the accommodation of sixty passengers, within two years from the passing of this Act, shall so soon as such Boat shall be completed and finished, have, possess and enjoy to themselves, their executors, administrators and assigns, the sole right of carrying Passengers, and transporting freight of different kinds in a Boat so to be worked by Steam upon the River Saint John, between the said City of Saint John and Fredericton, for the term of ten years; and no other person or persons whomsoever, other than the said John Ward, Robert Smith, George D. Berton, and James C. F. Bremner, Esquires, and James Fraser and Lauchlan Donaldson; their executors, administrators or assigns, shall use or employ any Boat or Boats to be worked by Steam upon the said River Saint John, for any purpose whatsoever during the said term of ten years.*

*Saving the right of every person to use Boats and Vessels of any other description.*

*II. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to restrain or in any manner affect the right of any person or persons to carry Passengers and transport freight in Boats or Vessels of any description whatsoever not worked by Steam, in like manner as such person or persons might have done if this Act had not been made.*

*If the Parties neglect to execute a Bond, this Act to cease.*

*III. Provided always and be it further enacted, That if the said John Ward, Robert Smith, George D. Berton, and James C. F. Bremner, Esquires, and James Fraser and Lauchlan Donaldson, shall neglect to enter into and duly execute the said Bond as required by the first Section of this Act, within one month from the passing of this Act, the same shall cease to be of any force or effect.*

*Lists of the rates to be published in the Royal Gazette for two months before the Boat shall be used, and in case of alteration to be in like manner published before the commencement of every season.*

*IV. Provided also and be it further enacted, That whereas such Steam Boat can be made use of during the summer season only, a list of the rates of Passage Money and freight intended to be received and taken during the then next ensuing season shall, within two months before such Boat shall be actually used for the transportation of Passengers and freight as aforesaid, be published in the Royal Gazette, and in case any alteration of such rates to be taken in any subsequent season shall be thought expedient to be made during the enjoyment of the right herein before granted, such alteration shall be in like manner published three months at the least before*

*No higher rates to be taken in any one season than such as shall be so published.*

*the commencement of such season, and that no higher or greater rates shall be taken in any season than such as shall be published to be taken during such season as aforesaid; and that in case such Steam Boat shall be unfit for use, or shall not be ready to be employed for the purposes aforesaid, agreeably to the true intent and meaning of this Act, during the space of three months in any season after such Steam Boat shall be completed and finished as aforesaid, unless in case of any accident by which the necessary repairs of such Boat shall require longer time to complete the same, then and from thenceforth the said right secured as aforesaid by this Act, shall cease determine and become null and void.*

*If the Boat shall be unfit for service for the space of three months after it shall have been completed, unless from accidents by which the repairs shall require longer time, this Act to cease.*

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