

RELATING TO OWNERS OF MILLS.

Sec. 18. All owners of mills, or those in charge of them, shall stop or shut down their gates when so directed by the superintending engineer, and shall not at any time draw down the level below high-water mark, under a penalty of twenty dollars.

PRIORITY OF PASSAGE THROUGH LOCKS.

Sec. 19. As regards priority of passage through the canals or locks of the Dominion, there shall be only two recognized classes of vessels, namely:—

“FIRST CLASS” VESSELS DEFINED.

(a.) First class.—Composed of steamers whose machinery is described in the certificate of the steamboat inspector as suitable to be employed “in the carriage of passengers” in distinction to steamers whose machinery, &c., is described in such certificate as suitable to be employed “in the carriage of freight and passengers” also market steamers, and boats propelled by electricity.

“SECOND CLASS” VESSELS DEFINED.

(b.) Second Class.—Composed of all other vessels, of what kind soever they may be.

MAIL STEAMERS.

(c.) Of these two classes of vessels, those of the first class shall have priority of passage over those of the second class; provided, that mail steamers navigating the canals or passing through any of the locks of Canada shall always have priority of passage over all other vessels whatsoever; and any violation of this clause shall subject the offending party to a penalty of not less than four dollars and not exceeding twenty dollars.

BOATS WAITING AT LOCKS.

(d.) When several boats or vessels are lying by, or are waiting to enter any lock or canal, they shall lie in single tier, and at a distance of not less than 300 feet from such lock or entrance except where local conditions may otherwise require, and each boat or vessel, for the purpose of passing through, shall advance in the order in which it may be lying in such tier, except, in the case of vessels of the first class, to which priority of passage is granted as above.

NON ARRIVAL OF FIRST CLASS VESSELS ON TIME.

(e.) Should however, any first class vessel, for which at a certain fixed hour, any lock is kept clear, not then enter such lock, vessels of the second class, which may be in waiting, shall immediately have the use of the lock, and continue so to use it until the delayed first class vessel arrives.