

twenty-five per cent upon such intrinsic value, and that after such assumption of the said Bridge it shall become a free Bridge.

- 14.** When, and so soon as the said Bridge shall be erected and built and made fit and proper for the passage of travellers, cattle, horses and carriages, and the same shall have been published in each of the English and French languages in two County papers, it shall be lawful for the said Company, from time to time, and at all times to ask, demand, receive, take, sue for and recover to, and for their own proper use, benefit and behoof, for pontage, as or in the name of a toll or duty, before any passage over the said Bridge shall be permitted, the several sums following, that is to say: For every carriage or other four wheeled vehicle, drawn by two horses, *twenty-five cents*; for every vehicle, drawn by one horse, cart or calèche, or for every winter vehicle drawn by one horse, *twelve and a-half cents*; for every extra additional beast of draught, *five cents*; for every horse, ass or mule, with its rider, *six cents*; for every horse, mare, stallion, ass or mule, four-cents; ox, bull, cow or other horned animal, *five cents*; For every sheep, calf, lamb, goat or pig, *three cents*; for every person on foot, *five cents*.

Bridge to be certified as fit for use before tolls are taken.

Tolls to be taken.

- 15.** Provided always, that no person, horse or carriage employed in conveying a mail or letters under the authority of Her Majesty's Post Office, nor the horses nor carriages laden or unladen, and drivers attending officers and soldiers of Her Majesty's forces, or of the Militia whilst upon their march or on duty; nor the said officers or soldiers, nor any of them, nor carriages nor drivers or guards sent with prisoners of any description, as well going as coming, provided they are not otherwise loaded, shall be chargeable with any toll or rate whatsoever: Provided also, that it shall and may be lawful for the said Company to diminish the said tolls or any of them, and afterwards, if they see fit, again to augment the same or any of them so as not to exceed in any case the rates by this Act authorized to be taken: Provided also, that the said Company shall affix or cause to be affixed in some conspicuous place, at or near the said Toll-Gate or upon the said Bridge, a Table of the rates payable for passing over the said Bridge, and so often as such rates may be diminished or augmented they shall cause such alteration to be affixed in manner aforesaid.

Proviso. Certain parties are to be exempt from payment of tolls.

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- 16.** The said Tolls shall be, and the same are hereby vested in the said Company for ever: Provided that if the Government or County Council assume the possession and property of the said Bridge and dependencies, then the said Tolls shall from the time of such assumption appertain and belong to whoever assumes, who shall from thenceforward be substituted in the place and stead of the said Company for all and every the purposes of this Act.

Tolls vested in Company for ever.

Proviso, if the Government or County Council assume the Bridge.

- 17.** If any person shall forcibly pass through the said Toll Gate, or over, or upon the said Bridge without paying the said toll, or any part thereof, or shall interrupt or disturb the said Company, or any person or persons employed by them for building or repairing the said Bridge, or making and 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 jail of the District, at the discretion of the Directors.

Fines for forcibly passing toll gate, &c.