

BILL.

An Act to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers brought down the St. Lawrence, past any of the Canals thereon.

WHEREAS it is expedient to impose Tolls on Vessels and Passengers brought down the River St. Lawrence, past any of the Canals thereon: Be it therefore enacted, &c. Preamble.

5 And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the same Tolls shall be payable on Steamboats or Vessels of any kind and Passengers, brought down the River St. Lawrence, past any of the Canals between Montreal and Kingston, as would be payable on such What Tolls shall be payable on vessels and passengers.

10 Steamboats, Vessels or Passengers, if the same had been brought through the Canal or Canals past which they shall have been brought down; and such Tolls shall be levied in like manner, and under the like penalties and forfeitures for the non-payment thereof.

15 II. And whereas doubts have been entertained as to the extent of some of the powers committed to the Governor in Council by the eighteenth Section of the Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "*An Act to amend the Law constituting the* Recital.

20 *Board of Works,*" and it is expedient to remove such doubts: Be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, by any regulation made and published as by law required, to authorize the seizure of any boat or vessel of any description, using any of the Regulations may be made for the seizure of vessels for non-payment of Tolls, &c.

25 public works in the said Act mentioned, either for the non-payment of Tolls, or of any fine duly imposed, or of any sum demanded by the Superintendent, Engineer or person in charge of any such work as compensation for damage done, and further to empower the party making

30 such seizure to detain such vessel with her cargo and appurtenances at the risk of the owner or owners, until payment of such Toll, penalty or compensation as aforesaid; and it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to regulate the seizure and detention of any vessel and

35 cargo as aforesaid, by such rules and orders as to him may seem expedient.