

Penalties for
damaging.

XX. And be it enacted, That if any person or persons shall wilfully and maliciously, and to the prejudice of the said Railway authorized to be made by this Act, break, throw down, damage or destroy the same or any part thereof, or any of the houses, warehouses, toll-houses, 5 watch-houses, weigh-beams, cranes, carriages, engines, inclined planes, machines or other works or devices incidental and relative thereto or connected therewith, or do any other wilful hurt or mischief, or wilfully and maliciously obstruct or interrupt the free use of the said Rail- 10 way, or obstruct, hinder or prevent the carrying on, completing, supporting and maintaining the said intended Railway, such person or persons shall be adjudged guilty of felony, and the Court by and before whom such person or persons shall be tried and convicted, shall have 15 power and authority to cause such person or persons to be punished in like manner as felons are directed to be punished by the laws in force in this Province, or in mitigation thereof to award such sentence as the law directs in cases of simple larceny, as to such Court shall seem 20 fitting.

Subscription
of Capital.

XXI. And to the end that the said Company of Proprietors may be enabled to carry on so useful an undertaking, be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Company of Proprietors and their successors, to 25 raise and contribute among themselves, in such proportions as to them shall seem meet and convenient, a competent sum of money for the making and completing the said Railway, and all such other works, matters and conveniences as may be found necessary for making, 30 effecting, preserving, improving, completing, maintaining and using the said Railway and other works: Provided always, that the before mentioned John Young, Hon. A. N. Morin, Hon. Geo. Moffatt, G. E. Cartier, M. P. P., L. H. Holton, Ira Gould and A. T. Galt, or a majority of 35 them, shall cause books of subscription to be opened in the Cities of Montreal, and Kingston, and elsewhere as they may from time to time appoint until the first meeting of Proprietors hereinafter provided for, for receiving the signatures of persons willing to become subscribers to 40 the said undertaking, and for this purpose they shall be held and bound to give public notice in the Canada Gazette, and such other newspaper or newspapers as they or a majority of them shall think proper, of the time and place at which such books will be opened and ready for 45 receiving signatures as aforesaid, and of the persons by them authorized to receive such subscriptions, and every person who shall write his or her signature in such book as a subscriber to the said undertaking shall thereby become a member of the said Corporation, and shall have 50 the same rights and privileges as such as are hereby conferred on the several persons who are herein mentioned by name as members of the said Corporation.