

WHEREAS it has been represented to the Court that sundry persons calling themselves Ferrymen, undertake for hire, to pass people and effects over the Rivers, in different parts of this District, without licence, to the great detriment of the regular and licenced Ferrymen; and that those who have licences, neglect to renew them annually, so that the Magistrates cannot know the actual number of licenced Ferries established. To prevent which in future,

It is hereby ordered and directed, that from and after the publication of this regulation, any person or persons who shall for hire, in the day time or in the night, ferry, or pass any person or effects of any kind whatsoever, over any of the rivers in this District, whereon any regular licenced Ferries are established, without first having obtained a licence for that purpose, from the Court of Quarter Sessions, shall forfeit and pay, for every such offence, the sum of twenty shillings, such licence to be signed by the Clerk of the peace.

And it is further ordered and directed that all persons holding licences for Ferries in this District, or who may hereafter obtain such licence, shall renew the same at the Court of Quarter Sessions in the month of April of every year; and all and every person or persons who shall neglect to renew the same accordingly, shall be considered to have given up their claim to renew such licence.

That all licences obtained, or to be obtained for Ferries within this District, shall be in force until the first day of May, from and after the date thereof, and no longer.

And in order to avoid the difficulties which may arise respecting the rates payable at the different Ferries by and for His Majesty's Troops, their wives, children and baggage, on their march through this District, it is hereby further ordered and directed,

That where any troops or parties upon command, have occasion to pass regular Ferries, it shall and may be lawful for the Commanding Officer either to pass over with his party as passengers, or to hire the ferry boat entirely to himself and his party, detaining others for that time, in his option; and in case he shall chuse to take passage for himself and party, as passengers, he shall only pay for himself and for each person, officer or soldier under his command, half of the ordinary rate payable by single persons, at any such Ferry; and in case he shall hire the Ferry boat for himself and party, he shall pay half of the ordinary rate for such boat or boats; and in such places where there are no regular Ferries, but that all persons hire boats at the rate: they can agree for, officers, with or without parties, are to

agree for boats at the rate as other persons do in like cases.

By the Court, A. REID, Ck. P.

Rules and Regulations, respecting Ferrymen, in and for the District of Montreal.

1st. **E**ACH and every licenced Ferrymen, on the River St. Lawrence, and the grand (or Outtawa) River, shall be obliged to keep five able men in their service, two canoes, and one bateau, or Scow, two setting poles and three paddles for each canoe, and four oars for each bateau or Scow, and shall be held and obliged to ferry over, day and night, without distinction or partiality, all persons wishing to cross (when it can be done with safety) each canoe shall be conducted by two men and each bateaux or Scow by at least three.

2d. Each and every Ferrymen on every river other than the St. Lawrence and the Outtawas or grand River shall have and keep in his or their service three able men, one canoe and one bateaux or scow, and shall be held to conform themselves to every thing to which the ferrymen on the St. Lawrence and Grand or Outtawas River are bound to, by the preceding article.

3d. No Ferrymen shall detain travellers more than one quarter of an hour by day and one half hour by night.

4th. Every Ferrymen shall be obliged to provide moveable platforms for the embarkation and landing of carriages, cattle, and other effects, which may be transported from one side of the river to the other, one of which shall be placed at the place of embarkation, and the other at that of debarkation.

5th. Whereas certain Ferrymen, to the great prejudice of others, have made a practice of transporting travellers from the opposite side of the river to that where they reside, without having obtained a licence to that effect; it is ordered that each and every ferrymen shall abstain from that practice in future, under any pretext whatever.

6th. The Clerk of the peace shall give a copy of these regulations in English and French to every Ferrymen, together with copies in English and French of the Regulations of the 30th April, 1813, and each and every Ferrymen shall put up the same in some public part of his house, together with a copy of the tariff of his licence, in English and French, and the Clerk of the Peace shall receive the sum of seven shillings and six pence, for every certified copy of the Regulations and copy of the Tariff from every Ferrymen on the delivery thereof.

7th. The present regulations shall be in force during the whole time of the navigation, and no Ferrymen shall exact, receive, or demand from travellers, any greater price or sum of money for crossing them, than that which may and will be allowed them by the rate or toll annexed to their licence.

8th. Each and every Ferrymen who shall infringe the present Regulations, or any part thereof, shall be liable to a fine of twenty shillings, for each and every offence.

9th. All Regulations respecting Ferrymen, previous to the 30th April, 1813, are rescinded from this day.

By the Court,

John Delisle JOHN DELISLE, Ck. P.

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Rate of Tollage.

For a Cow, buck, or Goat, with one or two horses or a loaded cart, &c. --- Two shillings & Six pence.
For a Horse, Ox, or Cow, and the driver. --- One shilling & Six pence.
For a passenger in a canoe. --- Seven pence & half pence.
For a Mule in a bateau. --- One shilling & Three pence.
For a Hog, Calf or Sheep. --- Five pence.

John Delisle. Ck. P.