

the same or any other party, but the Company shall in any such case be liable to the party first notified for all damages or costs by him incurred in consequence of such first notice and desistment; and no change of ownership after the Company shall have given and served the notice aforesaid, shall affect the proceedings, but the party notified shall be still deemed the owner, except as to the payment of the sum awarded. 5

Arbitration,
&c.

If the opposite party be absent from the District in which the land is situate (if the notice relate to the taking of land) or from the District in which the power sought to be exercised, is to be exercised, or be unknown to the said Company, then upon application either to any Justice of the Queen's Bench or Circuit Judge, having jurisdiction in such District, accompanied by such certificate as aforesaid and by an affidavit of some officer of the Company that such opposite party is so absent, or that after diligent inquiry the party on whom the notice ought to be served, cannot be ascertained, such Justice or Judge shall order a notice as aforesaid (but without the certificate) to be inserted at least three times during one calendar month in the *Canada Gazette* and in some other newspaper to be named by such Justice or Judge, and in either or in both languages in the discretion of such Justice or Judge. 25

Arbitration,
&c.

If within ten days after the service of such notice, or within one month after the first publication thereof as aforesaid, the opposite party shall not notify to the Company that he accepts the sum offered by the said Company, or notify to them the name of a person whom he appoints as Arbitrator, then any such Justice or Judge may, on the application of the said Company, appoint some sworn Surveyor to be sole Arbitrator for determining the compensation to be paid by the Company. 30

Arbitration,
&c.

If the opposite party shall within the time aforesaid notify to the said Company the name of the person such party shall appoint as Arbitrator, then the said two Arbitrators shall jointly appoint a third, or if they cannot agree upon a third, (of which fact the allegation of either of them shall be evidence) then any such Justice or Judge shall on the application of the said party or of the Company, (previous notice of at least one clear day having been given to the Arbitrator of the other party,) appoint a third Arbitrator. 35 40

Arbitration,
&c.

The said Arbitrators or sole Arbitrator, being sworn before a Justice of the Peace, who is hereby empowered and required to administer such oath, faithfully and impartially to perform the duties of their office, shall proceed to ascertain the compensation to be paid by the Company, in such way as they or he or a majority of them shall deem 45 50