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An Act to amend the Act incorporating the
International Bridge Company.

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An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the International Bridge Company.

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the 20th year of Her Majesty's Preamble.
 Reign, intituled "*An Act to incorporate the International* 20 V. c. 127.
Bridge Company," which it is desirable to amend, and the Board of
 Provisional Directors have petitioned for an Act to amend the same,
 5 Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows :

I. The Capital of the said Company shall be one million five hundred thousand dollars, divided into fifteen thousand shares of one hundred dollars each. Capital of the Company.

II. Whenever the bridge authorized by the said Act shall be completed for the passage of ordinary trains and carriages, the said Company may erect toll-gates, fix and collect rates of toll, and make such erections as the directors may deem expedient to guard the entrance to the said bridge and prevent persons from entering upon or passing the same without paying such tolls; but no greater tolls than the following shall be charged for entering upon or passing over the said bridge; that is to say:—For each foot passenger, *twenty-five cents*; for each horse and rider, *fifty cents*; for each horse and single carriage, *sixty cents*, and an addition of *eighteen cents and three-fourths of a cent* for each passenger actually travelling in such carriage; for each other passenger the sum of *twenty-five cents*; for each double carriage and two horses, *one dollar*, and *eighteen cents and three-fourths of a cent* for each passenger actually travelling therein, and *twenty-five cents* for each additional horse attached to such carriage; for sheep, *one and a half cents* per head; for swine, *two cents* each; for neat cattle, *six cents* per head; for each horse in droves or in cars, *twelve cents and a half*. Tolls may be collected by the Company, but not to exceed certain rates.

III. So much of the thirteenth section or of any other part of the said Act, as provides that the International Bridge Company shall keep steam-tugs for the purpose of towing vessels through the draws of the bridge, shall be and is hereby repealed. Company need not keep steam-tugs.

IV. The eighteenth section of the said Act shall be so amended as to read as follows:—“The said Company shall, before any steps are taken in erecting the piers of the said bridge, cause to be published three times in one of the public newspapers, in each of the Counties of Lincoln, Welland and Brant, a notice, in which shall be stated the particular location of the said bridge with reference to known land-marks, the number of its piers, the length and breadth of its piers, and the distances between them, the width in the clear of the draw openings, respectively, the entire length of the bridge from land to land, and its height above the Sect. 18 of the said Act amended.
Notice to be given before the piers of the bridge are erected.

water at its ordinary state ; and a copy of this notice, the facts of which shall be verified by the oath of the Engineer, signed by the President and Secretary the Company, and acknowledged by them before a Magistrate or Notary Public, shall be filed in the office of the respective Clerks of the Peace of the said herein before mentioned Counties.

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Company may enter into agreement with the city of Buffalo.

V. It shall be lawful for the said Company to enter into any agreement with the Mayor and Corporation of the City of Buffalo, in the United States of America, for the purpose of obtaining the aid of the corporation of that city in the erection of the bridge ; and for such purpose the said Company may accept any guarantee of interest upon their expenditure, or any loan of money or other pecuniary assistance which may be agreed upon by the said parties, and may give such security to the said Mayor and Corporation, as may be agreed upon between them.

Company collect back charges on certain goods.

VI. The Directors of the said Company shall have power to collect and receive all charges subject to which goods or commodities may come into their possession ; and on payment of such back charges, shall have the same lien for the amount thereof, upon such goods or commodities as the persons to whom such charges were originally due, had upon such goods or commodities while in their possession ; and shall and may have power to do all things whatever which may be requisite or necessary to carry out the objects of the corporation.

Public Act.

VII. This Act shall be deemed a public Act and shall be construed as one Act with the Act amended by it.