

Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada, passed in the year 1834. York: Robert Stanton, 1834.

4 William IV — Chapter 36

An Act to authorise Richard Tunks, to erect a Mill Dam upon the River Thames, in the London District. Passed 6th March, 1834.

Whereas it hath been represented by the Petition of sundry persons, inhabiting upon or near the banks of the River Thames, in the Townships of Westminster and London, in the London District, that the erection of Mills upon the said River in front of Broken Lot number thirty-nine, in the Broken Front of the Township of Westminster, would greatly increase the general prosperity and wealth of the surrounding Country, and that the natural fall of the said River at the said place is almost sufficient for the above mentioned purpose, but that to render the water privilege completely efficient at all seasons of the year it will be necessary to erect a Dam across the said River at the above mentioned site, at such height as will not flood or otherwise injure any Lands lying above the same: Be it therefore enacted, by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, entitled, "*An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North America, and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province,'*" and by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for Richard Tunks, having first obtained permission by an instrument under his or their hands and seals from the proprietor or proprietors of the Lands adjoining his, or their heirs and assigns, to erect one Dam upon the above mentioned site, of such height only as will not flood or otherwise injure any Lands lying above the same: Provided always, that such Dam shall be constructed with suitable Locks for the safe and convenient passage of such boats or other craft as are now or may hereafter be in use upon the said River; And also inclined planes of not less than forty feet in length and thirty feet in width, and good and sufficient Aprons for the safe passage of rafts and the ascent of fish, and to maintain and keep the same in good repair, free from toll or other charge, as long as the said Dam shall exist.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if the passage aforesaid shall at any time be obstructed for the period of twenty days successively, the grant hereby intended to be made shall be absolutely void.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the Legislature of this Province, at any time hereafter, when in their opinion the public interest shall require it, either to amend or repeal this Act.