

XV. It shall be the duty of the Directors to make annual Dividends of so much of the profits of the said Company as to them or the majority of them, shall seem advisable; and once in each year an exact and particular statement shall be rendered of the state of their affairs, debts, credits, profits and losses; such statement to appear on the Books and to be open to the perusal of any Stockholder at his or her reasonable request.

Directors to declare annual dividend of profits.

XVI. At any time after ten years after the making and completing the said Harbour, Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, may assume the possession and property of the same, and of all and every the works and dependencies thereto belonging, upon paying to the said Company for the use of the Stockholders thereof, the full amount of their respective shares of the sums furnished and advanced by each subscriber for making and completing the works and improvements upon the said Otter Creek; together with such further sum as will amount to twenty-five per cent. upon the money so advanced and paid, as a full indemnification to the said Company; and the said works and improvements upon the said Otter Creek shall from the time of such assumption in manner aforesaid, appertain and belong to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, who shall from thenceforth be substituted in the place and stead of the said Company, upon the conditions and subject to the provisions of any Act of the Legislature of this Province that may be passed respecting the same.

Power to Her Majesty to assume possession of property of Company upon certain conditions.

XVII. Provided always, that the works of the said Otter Creek Navigation Company shall be commenced within two years, and completed within five years after the passing of this Act, otherwise this Act and every matter and thing herein contained shall cease and be utterly null and void.

Commencement and completion of the works.

XVIII. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

Public Act.

C A P . C X C I X .

An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the Port Burwell Harbour Company.

[Assented to 30th May, 1855.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend an Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled: *An Act to incorporate certain persons under the style and title of the President, Directors and Company of the Port Burwell Harbour*, and also to amend an Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Port Burwell Harbour Company*, and to extend the powers of the said Company, to impose and levy tolls on certain articles of lumber and merchandise: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty,

Preamble.
12 V. c. 160.

14 & 15 V.
c. 157.

Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, as follows :

Company may take the tolls hereinafter mentioned on certain articles.

I. From and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the said President, Directors and Company of the Port Burwell Harbour, to impose, demand, receive, take, levy and collect, (with the like powers and under the same conditions and liabilities as are in the said Acts provided for the recovery of rates or tolls) on the following articles passing out of or through the said Harbour, not exceeding the rates hereinafter mentioned, and from time to time to reduce, alter or amend the same, viz :

On every Standard Saw Log, two pence.

On Square and Round Timber, per one hundred cubic feet, six pence.

On every Spar or Mast, five shillings.

Public Act.

II. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

C A P . C C .

An Act to incorporate the Ontario and Bay of Quinté Canal Company.

[Assented to 30th May, 1855.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the construction of a Canal across the peninsula separating the Bay of Quinté, from the Lake Ontario at Presqu'Isle, would greatly tend to the advantage of the Province, and it is expedient to incorporate a Joint Stock Company to construct such Canal : Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, as follows :

Certain persons incorporated.

I. The Honorable Robert Charles Wilkins, Adam Henry Meyers, Francis McAnnany, George Benjamin, John O'Hare, William Hamilton Ponton, Benjamin F. Davy, Edmund Murney, James Cumming, James L. Biggar, John Lawson, Stephen Young, Robert Potts, Cyrus Weaver, Dennis MacAulay, William Lovett, Joseph S. Peterson, William H. Fox,
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