

*The Provincial Statutes of Canada*, passed in the year 1842. Kingston: Stewart Derbishire & George Desbarats, 1842.

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**An Act for better preventing the obstruction of Rivers, and Rivulets in Canada East. 12th October, 1842.**

Whereas great inconvenience is occasioned by persons throwing Slabs, Park, Waste Stuff, and other refuse of Saw-Mills, Stumps, and Waste Timber into Rivers and Rivulets in Canada East, and it is expedient to extend to such cases certain provisions of the Act hereinafter cited; 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, that any person who shall throw into any River, Rivulet, or Water Course in Canada East, any Slabs, Bark, Waste Stuff, or other refuse of any Saw-Mill, (except saw-dust) or any Stumps, Roots, or Waste Timber, and shall allow the same to remain in and to obstruct such River, Rivulet, or Water Course, shall thereby incur a penalty not exceeding ten shillings currency, and not less than five shillings currency, for every day during which such obstruction shall remain therein after he shall have been required by the party interested to remove the same, over and above all damages which may arise therefrom; and that such penalty and damages may be respectively recovered in the same manner as the penalty and damages mentioned in the sixty-first Section of the Act of the Legislature of Lower Canada, passed in the Sixth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, King William the Fourth, Chapter fifty-six, and intituled *An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and more effectually to remedy divers abuses prejudicial to Agriculture*, may under the provisions of that Act be recovered from persons obstructing Rivers, Rivulets, and Water Courses, by felling trees into the same, and allowing them to remain therein.