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9 Victoria – Chapter 52

An Act to require Slides of certain dimensions to be erected upon the several Mill Dams in the River Moira and its tributaries, in the District of Victoria. 23rd May, 1846.

Whereas it is expedient to make more effectual provision for facilitating the passing of Lumber in the River Moira and its tributaries, on which Dams are erected, in the District of Victoria: 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 the owner or occupier of any dam erected, or which may hereafter be erected on the said river and its tributaries, in the District of Victoria, in Upper Canada, shall, on or before the first day of March next after the passing of this Act, construct a good and sufficient apron to such dam, at least thirty-two feet wide (if the dam be of greater width, and if not then of the same width as the dam) and at least eight feet in length for every foot rise of such dam, and the dam at the place at which the said apron shall be so constructed, shall be at least two feet lower than the top of the said dam (unless it occupy the whole width thereof as aforesaid) and the said apron shall be built in the mam channel of the stream with the highest part thereof one foot below the said fall, under a penalty of two shillings and six pence, currency, for each day during which the requirements of this Act shall remain uncomplied with; and such penalty shall be recoverable before any two Justices of the Peace for the District in which the offence shall be committed, on the oath of two credible witnesses, and if not paid may be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the offender, by warrant under the hand and seal of such Justices, or either of them, and one moiety of such penalty shall belong to Her Majesty for the public uses of the Province, and the other moiety to the prosecutor.