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or annual rent to be paid as the amount of compensation and satisfaction for the damages that may and shall be sustained by such owner or owners, occupier or occupiers of such private property as aforesaid; and the award, inquisition or verdict of such jury shall be retained and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Pleas in the said Supreme Court, and shall be final and conclusive between the parties; which amount so assessed as aforesaid, and the costs and expenses of such proceedings to be taxed and allowed by the said Supreme Court, or one of the Judges thereof, shall be borne by the said Corporation, and shall be by them paid within thirty days after the said inquisition, award or verdict shall be filed as aforesaid. ived or out of the read, in any Court of law or equity, havin bias and

9. The said Company shall erect and set up, or cause to be erected and set up, Authority to erect one or more gate or gates, turnpike or turnpikes, in, upon and across the said intended bridge, or within twenty yards thereof, together with toll houses and proper necessary buildings, conveniences and fences near to each gate or turnpike across the said intended bridge, or on the road or avenue immediately communicating therewith, and within twenty yards of the said bridge ; and the respective tolls following may be demanded and taken by such person or persons as the said Company shall from time to time appoint as toll gatherers, for each and every time of passing over the said bridge, that is to say :- For every foot passenger, not to exceed Rate. four pence; for every horse, mare, gelding, mule, or ass, not exceeding four pence; for every carriage drawn by one horse or beast of draught, with one person, not to exceed one shilling; for every horse or beast of draught more than one, drawing a carriage, not to exceed four pence; for every person more than one, with a carriage, not to exceed four pence; for neat cattle, not to exceed two pence each ; for sheep, calves or hogs, not to exceed one half penny each ; provided always, that no toll be exacted from children under five years of age; and the Company shall at all times by their bye laws regulate, alter and lessen the rate of tolls, when deemed advisable for the interest of the Company, but in no case exceed the rates herein specified; and at all times when the toll gatherer shall not attend to his duty, the gate or gates shall be left open ; and the toll shall be collected in such manner as may be prescribed by the said Corporation; the rates of toll shall be fairly and legibly printed in large letters, and kept constantly exposed to the view of passengers.

10. No horse or other beast, or carriage of any kind, shall be taken, rode or Horses, beasts and driven over the said bridge at a faster pace than a walk, on pain of a forfeiture over the bridge. of twenty shillings for each and every offence, to be recovered with costs of prosecution against the owner or driver of such horse or other beast, before any Justice of the Peace of the County, on the complaint of the toll gatherer or any

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proprietor of stock in the said Company, on proof of the toll gatherer, who is hereby declared to be a competent witness, or any other legal proof; the amount when recovered to be applied to the use of the said Corporation.

11. Any person who shall run or evade the payment of toll from crossing the Penalty for evading said bridge, shall forfeit and pay for the use of the said Corporation the sum of the payment of toll. ten shillings for each and every offence, to be recovered, together with the toll and costs of suit, as is directed in the last preceding section of this Act.

12. If any person shall wilfully and maliciously, and to the prejudice of the Penalty for said undertaking, break, damage, throw down or destroy any of the works to be to the works. erected or made by virtue of this Act, any such person shall be adjudged guilty of felony; and every such person so offending, and being thereof lawfully convicted, shall be liable to the punishment prescribed for felony by the laws of this charges to construct the said Bridge, and grant then all necessary p Province.

13. No toll whatever shall be demanded or taken for any horse, beast, cattle or Cattle and carriages carriage of whatever description, employed or to be employed in conveying, fetching or guarding Mails of letters and expresses, under the authority of Her Majesty's Postmaster General, or the duly authorised Post Office authorities in this Province, or of the Provincial Government, either when employed in conveying, fetching or guarding the same; or for any soldiers upon their march, or upon duty, or for any horse, cattle or carriages, attending them with their arms and baggage, or returning after having been so employed, nor for any wagon, cart or other carriage whatsoever, or the horse or horses, or other cattle drawing the same, which shall be employed in conveying any Ordnance, Barrack, Commissariat or other public stores, of or belonging to Her Majesty's service; and no poor, or other rates or taxes, shall be assessed or levied upon the said Company, for or on account of the said bridge and its appurtenances.

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