

the passage of vessels of any kind through the same, the said Corporation is hereby made subject to and shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding ten pounds, which shall, together with the costs of suit, be recovered by action of debt before any Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Charlotte not being a shareholder in the said bridge, and be paid to and for the use of the owner or owners of such vessels; but the said suit shall be in the name of the captain or other person having charge of the said vessel for the time being; which said costs shall be the same, and proceedings as nearly as may be similar to those now allowable, had, and taken before Justices of the Peace in civil cases for the recovery of demands not exceeding five pounds; provided always, that the words "or other persons having charge of the said vessel," in this Section mentioned, are not intended and shall not be construed to mean the pilot on board of such vessel.

10. It shall be the duty of the said Corporation to keep the main passage-way under the said bridge clear and unoccupied by ice or other obstructions, and to remove the same when lodged against or accumulating on the upper side of said bridge, excepting always at those periods when the said River is frozen over both above and below, or either, the said bridge.

11. If any ice or other obstruction shall accumulate in the passage-way or against the said bridge upon the upper side thereof, and in consequence of the failure or neglect of the said Corporation to remove the same as directed in the last preceding Section of this Act, any person or persons, individual, or body politic or corporate, sustaining any loss, damage, or injury thereby, shall be at liberty to prosecute the said Corporation by action on the case in the Supreme Court of this Province, and upon proof of such loss, damage, or injury for and on account of such default and failure of the said Corporation as aforesaid, shall recover a compensation in damages therefor, together with full costs of suit; and the property of said Corporation may be taken upon execution and sold in the ordinary way in payment of the said damages and costs.

12. Any two of the members of the said Corporation may call a meeting of the said Company by posting up a notification thereof in two public places in the Parish of Saint Stephen, at least ten days before such meeting, and specifying in such notice the time and place of meeting; which meeting shall be held in said Parish.

13. If any person shall wilfully and maliciously pull down, break, or destroy the said bridge, or any part thereof, or the piers, abutments, or landing places attached or belonging thereto, to be erected by virtue of this Act, such person so offending, and being thereof legally convicted, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

14. This Act shall continue and be in force until the first day of June which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy five.

## CAP. LXXII.

### An Act to incorporate the Saint John Manufacturing Company.

#### Section.

1. Company incorporated with general powers; limit to real estate.
2. First meeting, place, and notice for.
3. Capital to be £10,000: periods of payment.
4. Liability for Company debts.

#### Section.

5. Shareholders liable for calls.
6. Capital may be increased.
7. Assessment of shares to carry on the business.
8. When Act to become void.

Passed 12th April 1855.

WHEREAS the establishment of Manufactories in this Province will be highly advantageous: And whereas the amount of capital necessary to be invested in such undertaking, to secure the efficient working thereof, renders it essential that the Company engaged therein should be incorporated;—

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows:—

1. That Robert Power, William Hawkes, James Harris, Thomas Allan, John S. Parker, Richard Lovatt, Charles W. Stockton, Robert Douglas, James Cother, their associates, successors, and assigns, shall be and are hereby erected into a Company, and declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name of "The Saint John Manufacturing Company," and by that name shall have all the powers and privileges made incident to a Corporation by Act of Assembly of this Province, for the purpose of purchasing lands and premises, and erecting buildings, mills, machinery, or any other thing appertaining to, or in any way required for the full and efficient carrying on and managing the said manufactory or manufactories in the City and County of Saint John; and provided that the said Company shall not hold real estate to a greater amount than five thousand pounds.

2. That the first meeting of the said Corporation shall be held in the City of Saint John, and shall be called by any one member of the said Company, by giving at least twenty days notice in the Royal Gazette published in this Province previous to such meeting.

3. That the capital stock of the said Corporation shall consist of the sum of ten thousand pounds, to be paid in such money as shall at the time of the several payments hereinafter expressed be a legal tender in this Province; ten per centum of the said capital stock to be paid in before the said Corporation shall be entitled to purchase any property, real or personal, or incur any debts; and the remainder of the said stock to be paid at such time or times, and in such parts or portions as the business of the Company shall from time to time require; the whole amount of said capital to be divided into one thousand shares of ten pounds each.

4. That the joint stock and property of said Company shall alone in the first instance be responsible for the debts and engagements of the said Company; and that no creditor or person having any demands against the said Company, for or on account of any dealings with the said Company, shall have recourse against the separate property of any shareholder on account thereof, except in case of deficiency, or when the joint stock of the Company shall fall short, or not be equal to the payment of any debt, due, or demand against the same, and then and in such case the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of each shareholder, shall and may be levied upon and seized respectively to satisfy such debt or demand, to the extent of double the amount of the share or shares or interest of such shareholder in the joint stock of the said Company, but no more; and that such double amount, or so much as may be necessary to satisfy such debt, due, or demand, shall and may be levied and seized by process of execution in the same suit in which such debt, due, or demand may be recovered against the said Company, and in no other way.

5. That each and every shareholder in the said Company shall be held liable to the said Corporation for each and every call or assessment made, not however to exceed in amount the stock subscribed for, for the purpose of enabling the said