

Lease in lieu thereof, for the term of ninety nine years, to commence at and from the date of the former Lease.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, by and with the advice and consent aforesaid, to reserve in the said Lease a Duty of one penny per ton on the Iron smelted by the said Company, in lieu of the Duty of five per centum now reserved in the present Lease.

A Duty of one penny per ton to be reserved in lieu of Duty in the present lease.

III. ' And for the further encouragement of the said Company ;' Be it enacted, That there be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, the sum of one thousand five hundred pounds, to be applied towards the purchase of ten thousand acres of Wilderness Lands by the said Company, situated on the north eastern side of the River Saint John, in the said County of Carleton, to be selected by and surveyed at the expense of the said Company ; and that the said money shall be applied as aforesaid, whenever it shall be made to appear to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, that the said Company have smelted at least three hundred tons of Pig Iron at their Works in the said County of Carleton.

£1,500 granted to purchase 10,000 acres of land on north east side of the River Saint John, when 300 tons of pig iron have been smelted.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not come into operation or be in force until the first day of September next.

Act to come into operation on 1st September next.

### CAP. LVIII.

An Act in addition to an Act, intituled *An Act to incorporate the British North American Electro-Magnetic Telegraph Association.*

Passed 14th April 1849.

**6** WHEREAS in and by the third section of an Act made and passed in ' the tenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to incorporate the British North American Electro-Magnetic Telegraph Association,* ' the Corporation by the said Act erected are authorized and empowered by ' themselves, their deputies, agents, officers and workmen, to make and complete ' a single or double line of Electro-Magnetic Telegraph communication through ' Campbelltown, Dalhousie, Bathurst, Miramichi, Fredericton and Saint John, ' and thence to the Bend of the Petitcodiac, in this Province, and thence towards ' Halifax : And whereas it is deemed expedient to afford to the said Corporation ' the option of carrying their line or lines of Electro-Magnetic Telegraph com- ' munication from Miramichi towards Halifax, via Richibucto and Shediac ;'

Preamble.

10 V. c. 74.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That any thing in the said Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding, it shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, should they see fit, by themselves, their deputies, agents, officers and workmen, to make and complete a single or double line of Electro-Magnetic Telegraph communication to meet a line or lines of Electro Telegraph to be established from Quebec to the Province Line of this Province, and to continue the same through Campbelltown, Dalhousie, Bathurst, Miramichi, Richibucto, Shediac, and thence towards Halifax, by such route as they may deem most advisable, to make such erections as may be necessary, and to purchase and acquire such machinery and contrivances, and real or moveable property as may be necessary for the making and maintaining the said Electro-Magnetic Telegraph communication, and may use, hold and possess the land over which the said Electro-Magnetic Telegraph is to pass, in the manner and under the provisions in the said in part recited Act set forth.

Corporation empowered to construct a line of Electro-Magnetic Telegraph, via Campbelltown, Dalhousie, Bathurst, Miramichi, Richibucto, Shediac, and thence towards Halifax.

Power to be in lieu of any expected Provincial pecuniary reward.

On refusal to transmit communications from St. John or other parts of the Province to Halifax or Quebec, all the corporate powers and privileges to cease.

A preference secured to the Lieut. Governor for public service messages.

II. And be it enacted, That the option hereby granted shall be in lieu of all and every pecuniary reward or bonus of any nature or kind soever granted or expected to be granted by this Province to the said Association.

III. And whereas apprehensions are entertained that in the event of the said line or lines of Electro-Magnetic communication between Quebec and Halifax being completed, the proprietors or agents thereof may refuse to transmit from time to time such information as may be forwarded from Saint John for Halifax or Quebec, or may demand or exact an additional rate therefor, over and above the usual and established rates charged by the said Association; Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That should the said Association, their Managers, Agents or Clerks, or any of them, refuse at any time after the completion of the said line to transmit any information or communication from Saint John or other parts of this Province to Halifax or Quebec at the usual and established rates of the said Association, that then and in such case all the powers, privileges and authorities given and secured by this Act, or by the Act to which this Act is an amendment, shall cease and determine and be and become utterly null and void and of none effect.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government of this Province for the time being, to have and enjoy at all seasonable times and in preference to all others whomsoever, the right and privilege of using the said line of Electric Telegraph and Branches, for the transmission of messages relating to the public service only, whether Imperial or Provincial, from or to any Station or Stations in and throughout the Province; and that the rates of charge therefor shall not in any one case exceed the established and ordinary rates of charge made to private individuals and others for the transmission of like messages.

### CAP. LIX.

An Act to amend an Act, intituled *An Act to incorporate the City of Fredericton.*  
Passed 14th April 1849.

Preamble.

WHEREAS doubts have been entertained with regard to the construction of some of the provisions of an Act made and passed in the eleventh year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to incorporate the City of Fredericton*, and it is deemed advisable to declare the Law relative thereto, and to amend the said Act in several respects;

Act 11 V. c. 61, so far as inconsistent with this Act, repealed.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That so much of an Act made and passed in the eleventh year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled *An Act to incorporate the City of Fredericton*, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be and the same is hereby repealed; provided that in all other respects the said Act shall continue in full force and effect.

Qualification of voters for Councillors.

II. And be it declared and enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, every person, being the owner of premises, otherwise qualified to vote for City Councillors according to the provisions of the eleventh section of the said recited Act, shall enjoy such right to vote, although such owner be not a resident within the said City, pursuant to the provisions aforesaid, and although such person or persons may not be in the occupation of the premises in virtue of which such person or persons claim the right to vote; and every male inhabitant of the said City of the age of twenty one years and upwards, who shall actually and within the Ward for which he shall vote, have been for three months previous to the day of the election the bona fide owner of real or personal property of the value