

9. The annual meeting of the said Corporation shall be holden on the last Wednesday in July, or such other day as shall be determined by the bye laws, at such time and place as the Directors for the time being shall appoint; at which meeting the Directors shall be chosen by ballot, each proprietor by himself or his proxy being entitled to as many votes as he holds shares; and the Directors are hereby authorized to call special meetings of the stockholders whenever they shall deem it expedient and proper, giving such notice as the Corporation by their bye laws shall direct.

10. The said Company, to entitle themselves to the privileges, benefits, and advantages to them granted in this Act, shall and they are hereby empowered to make and complete the said Railroad from its lower terminus to its upper terminus within five years from the passage of this Act, and if the same shall not be so made and completed within the period before mentioned, so as to be used for the conveyance and carriage of passengers, goods, and chattels thereon, then this Act, and every matter and thing therein contained, shall cease and be utterly null and void.

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CAP. LXXV.

An Act for the relief of the Reverend Horatio Q. Butterfield.

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1. Rev. H. Q. Butterfield, when to be authorized to solemnize marriage.      2. Act when to come in force.

*Passed 12th April 1855.*

WHEREAS the Reverend Horatio Q. Butterfield, a regularly ordained Congregational Minister, has become a permanent resident in this Province, and the settled Pastor of the Congregationalist Church in the Parish of Saint Stephen; but by reason of his not being a British subject is precluded from solemnizing Marriage under the Laws of this Province;—

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

1. That the said Horatio Q. Butterfield, after having taken the oath of allegiance to Her Majesty before the Provincial Secretary, or some other person to be appointed therefor without fee by the Governor, may solemnize Marriage by licence

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or publication of banns, with the same effect as any Christian Minister authorized by Chapter 106, of the Revised Statutes, might do, subject to the provisions of any law in force relating to the solemnization of Marriage.

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