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Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1852. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1852.

15 Victoria – Chapter 72

An Act in addition to and amendment of an Act intituled *An Act to incorporate the Miramichi* and *Richibucto Electric Telegraph Company*. Passed 7th April 1852.

Whereas by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province made and passed in the fourteenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act to incorporate the Miramichi and Richibucto Electric Telegraph Company, reciting that "Whereas the construction of a line of Electro-Telegraphic communication between the Bend of Petitcodiac in the County of Westmorland, and the Miramichi River, would be of great advantage, and it is deemed advisable to extend encouragement to such persons as may erect and maintain such line by granting them an Act of Incorporation for that purpose;" it was enacted that certain persons therein named, and such other persons as should from time to time become proprietors of shares, should be incorporated by the name of The Miramichi and Richibucto Electric Telegraph Company: And whereas of the persons who had agreed to form the said Company residing in the Counties of Northumberland and Kent, many have declined to pay in any portion of their stock, whereby the present shareholders are confined to the County of Northumberland, who have proceeded under the said Act, and built that part of the said line leading from Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, to Richibucto, in the County of Kent, which line is now in efficient working order: And whereas in consequence of a line of Electric Telegraph from Richibucto to the Bend of Petitcodiac being already in operation, it is at present unnecessary that the said Company should extend their line to the Bend;

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

1. The said Company so incorporated shall consist of the following persons, viz: — John Mackie, William Muirhead, Robert Johnston, Junior, George Johnston, William J. Fraser, William A. Black, John M. Johnson, Solomon Samuel, Caleb M'Culley, James Caie, William Kelly, Alexander Loudoun, Robert Johnston, William M'Rae, Richard Hutchison, Allan A. Davidson, John Nicholson, William Wilkinson, John Cameron, George H. Russel, Hugh Bain, and Peter Mitchell, who, together with such other persons as are or shall from time to time become proprietors of shares in said Corporation, be and they are hereby declared to compose the same, instead of the persons named in the aforesaid Act.

2. The capital stock of the said Corporation may consist of sixty shares of ten pounds each, or be extended to two hundred and fifty shares of ten pounds each, as the said Company may find necessary; and it shall not hereafter be necessary that any of the meetings of the said Company shall be holden in the County of Kent, nor that the President or any of the Directors or officers should reside in the said County of Kent, nor that the officers should consist of a President and six Directors, but that from and after the passing of this Act the meetings may be held and the officers

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reside within such limits as the Company may determine and fix by bye law, and that the officers shall consist of a President and four Directors.

3. It shall and may be lawful for the said Company to extend a single or double line of Electric Telegraph from Chatham, in the said County of Northumberland, to the Counties of Gloucester and Restigouche, and through the same, and to build branch lines therefrom, subject to the same restrictions and conditions, and with the same privileges, rights, remedies and advantages as prescribed by the said Act of Incorporation; and the said Act and every part thereof not hereby altered or repealed, shall apply to the said extended lines, and to the said Company, and to persons interfering therewith, as if the same had been originally included therein; and the said Act shall remain in full force except so far as the same is inconsistent with this Act; and all proceedings of the said Company had thereunder, shall be as valid and effective as if this Act had not been made.