

arrangements which they shall deem meet with any other Railway Company or Steamboat Company, respecting the carriage of freight or passengers, or the working of their Railway and other such Railway or otherwise, or respecting the tolls to be charged for the carriage of freight or passengers thereon.

with Railway or Steamboat Company.

XI. And be it enacted, That upon any branch line or feeder, the Railway may be constructed in a less expensive manner than upon the main line of Railway, and that the flat rail may be used thereon, any thing in the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Flat Rail may be used on branch lines.

XII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be a Public Act. Public Act.

## CAP. CCLII.

An Act to amend and extend the Act to incorporate  
*The Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company.*

[Assented to 14th June, 1853.]

**W**HEREAS the President and Directors of the Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company have, by their Petition, prayed that the Act passed by the Legislature of the Province of Canada, during the present Session of Parliament, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company*, may be amended, so as to extend and empower the said Company to construct and build branches or feeders from the Trunk Line of Railway being built by them, at the following places along the said line of Road, namely, in the Township of Hamilton, from such point of intersection as the Directors of the said Company may select or approve, to the Village or Macdougall's Mills, in Baltimore, and along the stream to Lapp's Mills,—in the Township of Otonabee, from such point as the Directors of the said Company for the time being may select or approve, to the Villages of Keene and Allandale, in the said Township, or to either of the said Villages, thence along the valley of the Indian River against the stream, to Warsaw in the Township of Dummer;—and from such point in the Town of Peterborough, as the Directors for the time being may select or approve, over and upon the Country upon and near the South and West bank of the Otonabee River against the stream, to the various Mills in the County of Peterborough; And whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled: *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall

Preamble.

16 V. c. 40.

Branches which the Company are empowered to make.

shall

Company may make the branches mentioned in the Preamble.

Their powers.

Original Act to apply to branches.

shall and may be lawful for the said Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company, and they are hereby authorized to build, lay down and construct the said several branch lines of Railway or Tram Roads mentioned in the Preamble to this Act, from the Main Line of Railway of the said Company, to the said several points in the said Townships respectively, as they may deem expedient; and the said Company are hereby authorized, given and granted the same rights, privileges and powers to enter into, survey and procure title to the lands required for the purposes of the said Company as regards such extensions, as are provided for in and by the original charter of the said Company, in relation to the entering upon, surveying and procuring title to lands generally for the purposes of the said Company.

Directors may make arrangements with other Companies for mutual accommodation.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Directors of the said Company to make and carry into effect any arrangements which they shall deem meet with any other Railway Company or Steamboat Company, respecting the carriage of freight or passengers, or the working of their Railway and other such Railway or otherwise, or respecting the tolls to be charged for the carriage of freight or passengers thereon.

Branch lines may be of a cheaper construction than the Main Line.

III. And be it enacted, That upon the said branch lines or feeders, the Railway may be constructed in a less expensive manner than upon the main line of Railway, and that the flat rail may be used thereon, any thing in the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Aliens may be Directors, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That any Shareholder in the said Company, whether a British Subject, or alien, or resident in Canada or elsewhere, has and shall have equal rights to hold Stock in the said Company, to vote in the same and be eligible to office in the said Company.

Debentures may be made convertible into Stock, &c.

V. And be it enacted, That the said Company are hereby authorized to make any Bonds or Debentures to be issued by the said Company for the construction of new works, a preferable charge on the said railway, and convertible into stock at the option of the holder, and by such Bonds or Debentures to mortgage and pledge the lands, tolls and revenues of the said Company, and all other property real or personal belonging to the same: Provided always that any Bonds or Debentures so issued, preferable or convertible or both, shall on the face of such instruments shew that the same are so preferable or convertible as aforesaid, under and by virtue of this Act; and that all such preferable Bonds or Debentures issued as aforesaid, shall be a first charge and mortgage on the said railway and the tolls and revenues of the same, and all other property real and personal of the said Company as aforesaid; the said Bonds

Proviso.

Preferable Bonds to be a first charge on Railway, &c.

or Debentures to be in such form as the Directors of the Company may appoint, and each and every Bond or Debenture shall be registered in the Registry office of the County of Northumberland in a Book to be provided by the said Company for that purpose, on the payment of a fee of Two Shillings and Six Pence.

VI. And be it enacted, That this Act be a Public Act.

Public Act.

### C A P . C C X L I I I .

An Act to authorize the Montreal and New York Railroad Company to extend their connections, and granting facilities for the same.

[Assented to 14th June, 1853.]

**W**HEREAS the Company of Proprietors of the Montreal and New York Railroad have, by their Petition, represented that, for the purpose of promoting the usefulness of the said enterprize, and of extending the benefits to result therefrom, it is desirable that the said Company should be authorized to subscribe for or purchase, take and hold shares in the Stock of any other Railroad or Steamboat Company whether within or without this Province, and the same at any time to sell or otherwise alienate: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That for and notwithstanding any thing in any Act or Law to the contrary, it shall be lawful for the said Company, in pursuance of any Resolution to that effect adopted at a Special General Meeting of the Stockholders duly convened for that purpose, to subscribe for, purchase, take and hold shares in the stock of any other Railroad or Steamboat Company, either in this Province or in the United States, or in any Company for building a bridge across the River St. Lawrence, and to pay for the same out of any moneys belonging to the said Company, and at any time to sell or otherwise alienate such shares and apply the proceeds of sale or alienation to the purposes of the said Company.

Preamble.

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may take  
Stock in other  
Railway or  
Steamboat  
Companies,  
&c.