

amount thereof, and all penalties recovered under the said Act or this Act, shall be paid to the Receiver General, and shall be by him placed to the credit and form part of "The Steamboat Inspection Fund."

C A P . X X X V .

An Act to amend the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act.

[Assented to 10th June, 1857.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act, and to explain the import and meaning of the words "openings, gates or bars," used in the thirteenth section of the said Act: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

Section 13 of 14, 15 V. c. 51, explained.

Proviso : Where there has been a special agreement.

Proviso : this Act only to apply to Railways hereafter to be constructed.

I. The said words "openings, gates or bars," shall be held to mean and shall in all cases imply sliding gates commonly called hurdle gates, with proper fastenings: Provided always, that nothing in this Act shall be interpreted to the profit of those proprietors and tenants of lands and lots of land crossed by Railways in this Province, who have already received compensation from the Railway Companies, for having omitted the erection of the said gates. And provided further, that nothing in this Act contained shall in any way affect or apply to any Railway at present constructed or in part constructed, but the same shall be taken and held to apply only to such Railways as may be constructed or commenced after the passing of this Act.

Public Act.

II. This Act shall be a Public Act.

C A P . X X X V I .

An Act to authorize investigations in cases of accident by Fire, and to repeal the Act authorizing such investigations in the Cities of Quebec and Montreal.

[Assented to 10th June, 1857.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the cause of every fire by which any house or other building in any City or incorporated Town or Village in this Province, may be wholly or partly consumed, should be ascertained, in order to the adoption of such measures as may be requisite for diminishing the frequency of such fires; and for that purpose to repeal the Act hereinafter mentioned, and make other and more general provision instead thereof: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :