Bruce, shall, from and after the taking stock and holding shares in the said Stratford and Huron Railway Company, the Canada North-West Railway Company, or any other Company which the said Council may deem best for the interests of the said County of Bruce, (not exceeding in the whole the said extent of one hundred thousand pounds,) be ex officio one of the Directors of such Company, in addition to the number of Directors now required by law, and shall have the same rights, powers and duties, as any of the other Directors of the said Company.

Public Act.

V. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

## CAP. LXXIX.

An Act to legalize and make valid certain By-laws of the late Home District Council passed in reference to certain Roads in the County of Ontario.

[Assented to 10th June, 1857.]

Preamble.

MI HEREAS doubts have arisen as to the validity of certain By-laws passed by the late Home District Council, for the establishing and opening of certain roads in the then Home District, and numbered respectively three, four, fourteen, fifteen, seventeen, twenty, thirty, forty, forty-one, fifty-six, fifty-nine, sixty, seventy-four, seventy-seven, eighty-two, eighty-three, eighty-four, ninety-three, ninety-five, ninety-six, one hundred and six, one hundred and nine, one hundred and twelve, one hundred and fourteen, one hundred and forty-one, one hundred and forty-seven, one hundred and forty-eight, one hundred and fifty-three, one hundred and fifty-four, one hundred and fiftyseven, one hundred and seventy-five, one hundred and seventyeight, one hundred and seventy-nine, one hundred and ninetyfour, one hundred and ninety-five, and it is expedient and necessary to legalize the same: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

Certain Bylaws of the Home District Council confirmed.

I. All the said By-laws numbers three, four, fourteen, fifteen, seventeen, twenty, thirty, forty, forty-one, fifty-six, fifty nine, sixty, seventy-four, seventy-seven, eighty-two, eighty-three, eighty-four, ninety-three, ninety-five, ninety-six, one hundred and six, one hundred and nine, one hundred and twelve, one hundred and forty-seven, one hundred and forty-eight, one hundred and fifty-three, one hundred and fifty-four, one hundred and seventy-eight, one hundred and seventy-eight, one hundred and seventy-eight, one hundred and seventy-nine, one hundred and ninety-four, one hundred and ninety-four, one hundred and ninety-four, one hundred and seventy-eight, one hundred and ninety-five, and each and every of them shall be and are hereby declared to be valid, notwithstanding any defect or informality in the same or in the manner of passing thereof;

thereof; except always, that nothing herein contained shall Proviso. be construed to confirm any such By-law which may have been quashed or declared illegal by any competent Court, or in any way to affect any proceeding which has been had or taken, or which is now pending for the purpose of testing the legality of any such By-law, or any thing therein contained or affecting the same, but that any such case shall be determined as if this Act had not been passed.

II. All roads now opened, altered or changed under, or by Roads to be virtue of the said By-laws or any of them, and which have not Public Highbeen disputed, or against which proceedings have not been ways. taken or are not now taken, shall be and are hereby declared to be public highways, and where no width has been prescribed width of the for any such road in the By-law or By-laws relating to it, the roads. road shall be one chain wide, the line of the survey being the centre thereof; Provided always, that nothing in this Act con- Proviso: in tained shall prevent any municipality in the County of Ontario favor of just from paying what they may consider a just claim to any party claims of paror parties that may present claims arising from the legalization of the said By-laws, such claims to be considered and determined within one year from the passing of this Act.

III. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

Public Act.

## CAP. LXXX.

An Act to amend the Act conveying to the City of Toronto certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade, and to enable the said City to locate the Grand Trunk Railroad and other Railroads along the frontage of the said City.

[Assented to 10th June, 1857.]

HEREAS under and by virtue of the Act sixteenth Preamble. Victoria, chapter two hundred and nineteen, the Mayor, 16 V. c. 219. Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Toronto, have con-cited. tracted with the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada, for the building and construction of an Esplanade in front of the said City, according to a certain plan to the said contract annexed, a copy of which plan has been filed and deposited in the office of the Commissioner of Crown Lands in this Province, and it has become necessary to grant further and other powers to the said the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Toronto, to enable them to complete the said Esplanade, according to the said contract, and certain other work connected therewith: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows: I.