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An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the North Shore Railway Company. Assented to 18th December, 1854.

Whereas the original subscription book of the North Shore Railway Company, kept in conformity with the Act sixteenth Victoria, chapter one hundred, incorporating the Company above mentioned, was destroyed by Fire on the thirtieth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and it is expedient to provide a remedy for the inconveniences which might arise from such destruction; And whereas it is necessary to amend the Act above referred to: 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, as follows:

I. Within the period of one month from and after the passing of this Act, the Secretary of the Province shall affix the seal of the Province to and shall deliver to the North Shore Railway Company, the copy of the said Stock or Subscription Book, and the documents accompanying the same, transmitted to him by the Clerk of the City of Quebec, in conformity with the provisions of the second section of the Act above cited, which said copy shall have been previously certified by the said Secretary of the Province, as being that transmitted to him by the Clerk of the City of Quebec; and the said copy shall thenceforth be considered to all intents and purposes as the original, and shall have the same force and effect; and the signature of any person, whose name shall be found to be inscribed in the said copy as a subscriber or shareholder, shall be considered as having been inscribed in the original book by the said subscriber or shareholder, and in case of denial on the part of such subscriber or shareholder, it shall be sufficient in order to prove the said signature or the number of shares subscribed for by the said subscriber or shareholder, that the person or persons whose name or names shall appear upon the said copy as that or those of the witness or witnesses to the said signature, do declare under oath that the said subscriber or shareholder did place his signature or mark (as the case may be) in the said original subscription book, or did subscribe for the said shares; any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

II. It shall be lawful for the said Company when they shall be thereunto authorized at a special meeting of the shareholders, to be previously called for that purpose, provided always, that at such meeting three fourths of such shareholders present must assent, to purchase, take, possess and subscribe for shares in any other Railway or Steam-ferry Company across the river St. Lawrence, at any point between Quebec and Montreal inclusive, when they shall deem it advantageous to the interests of the said North Shore Railway Company, and the Directors of the said Company may authorize one or more persons to vote in respect of the shares, at any Meeting

of such Railway or Steam-ferry Company as aforesaid, in which the said North Shore Railway Company shall have so taken shares.

III. The number of the Directors of the Company shall be twelve, who shall from and after the fifteenth day of the month of June next, be elected annually at the general meeting of the stockholders, in the manner and form provided in and by the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act.

IV. The Directors may employ as paid Directors one or more of their number.

V. From and after the passing of this Act, no private shareholder shall be entitled to vote at any of the Elections required or authorized by the said Act, unless he shall have paid all the instalments called in and due at the date of the said meetings.

VI. The payment of such instalments shall be authenticated by the certificate of the Treasurer of the said Company.

VII. Any subscriber who shall neglect or refuse to pay one or more of the instalments called in by the said Company, shall be required so to do by notification in writing, under the signature of the Treasurer of the said Company, and the said notification shall be left at the residence for the time being of the said Shareholder, or at the domicile which he shall have elected at the time of subscribing: Proof of service of such notification shall be made by the oath of the person serving the same.

VIII. This Act shall be a Public Act.