

## CAP. XVII.

## An Act relating to Lands required for Railway purposes.

## Section.

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*Passed 12th April 1856.*

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

1. The Commissioners for the management and construction of Railways, appointed under the authority of an Act passed during the present Session of the Legislature to authorize the construction of Railways in this Province, or any of them, by themselves and by their servants, are authorized to enter upon and take possession of any lands required for the track of the Railways, or for Stations ; and they shall lay off the land by metes and bounds and record a description thereof in the Registry of Deeds for the County in which the lands are situate, and the same shall operate as a dedication to the public of such lands ; the lands so taken shall not be more than six rods in breadth for the track, exclusive of slopes, of excavation, and of embankments, except when it may be deemed advisable to alter the line or level of any public or private carriage road, or divert any stream or river, in which case it shall be competent for the Commissioners to take such further quantity as may be found necessary for such purposes ; also at each Station a sufficient extent for Depot and other Station purposes ; but for any Depot or Station the quantity so appropriated shall not exceed five acres.

2. The Commissioners, by themselves and by their servants, and the Contractors with authority from the Commissioners, may enter with workmen, carts, carriages, teams, horses and oxen upon any lands, and deposit thereon soil, earth, gravel, trees, bushes, logs, poles, brushwood, or other materials found