BILL.

An Act to authorise the Company of Proprietors of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad to extend the said road, and for other purposes.

THEREAS the Company of Proprietors of the Champlain Preamble. and St. Lawrence Railroad, incorporated under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature of the late Province of Lower Canada, passed in the second year of the Reign of His late Ma-5 jesty King William the Fourth, and intituled, "An Act for making 2 Wm. 4 c. 58. "a Railroad from Lake Champlain to the River St. Lawrence," and have by their Petition to the Legislature represented that they are desirous of constructing a Branch of their Railroad from some Point on their present Line between St. John's and Laprairie to 10 some point on the River St. Lawrence opposite or nearly opposite the City of Montreal, and of continuing their present Railroad from some point at or near its terminus at the village of Dorchester, commonly called St. John's, to the Province Line at or near Rouse's

Point, there to connect with the American Railroads now in pro-15 gress of construction, and thereby to afford an uninterrupted line of communication from Montreal to Boston, New York or to the West, and have prayed to be authorised by Legislative enactment to effect the said improvements;—and whereas the Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Company have by their

20 Petition to the Legislature, set forth, that they consider that the interests of the public would be better served if the right granted them by the Act passed in the Session held in the tenth and eleventh

years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "An Act to incorpo- 10 and 11 Vict." rate the Montreal and Province Line Junction Railway Com- c. 121, cited. 25 pany," of constructing a Railway from the terminus of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad, at the said village of Dorchester, commonly called St. John's, to or near the Province Line at Rouse's

Point, were transferred to the said Company of Proprietors of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad and have prayed that their 30 said right be so transferred, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said Petitions; -Be it therefore enacted, &c. &c.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the Act The last menlast cited in the Preamble to this Act, and the Act passed in the tioned Act twelfth year of the same Reign, and intituled, "An Act to amend 12 Vict. c. 179
35 " and extend the Act to incorporate the Montreal and Province repealed.

Line Junction Reilling Community of the Montreal and Province repealed. Line Junction Railway Company," shall be and the same are hereby repealed; and the said Company of Proprietors of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad are hereby authorised and empowered to construct a Branch of their said Railroad from 40 some point on its present Line to some point on the River St. Lawrence opposite or nearly opposite to the City of Montreal, and a continuation of their said Railroad from some point at or near the Terminus at St. John's aforesaid, in as direct a line as may be readily practicable, to the Province Line at or near Rouse's Point, 45 with one or more sets of rails and on the locomotive or atmospheric principle as the said Company may deem best, and to erect