

province of Nova Scotia, at or near the town of Truro, on certain conditions therein mentioned: Therefore, in fulfilment of the duty imposed on the Government and Parliament of Canada as aforesaid; and in order to the raising of the said loan, so to be guaranteed as aforesaid, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. There shall be a railway constructed, connecting the port of Rivière du Loup before mentioned, with the line of railway leading from the said city of Halifax, at or near the said town of Truro, and such railway shall be styled and known as "The Intercolonial Railway." Termini of Railway.  
Its name.
2. The said railway shall be a public work belonging to the Dominion of Canada; and shall be made with a gauge of 5 feet 6 inches, and on such grades, in such places, in such manner, with such materials and on such specifications as the Governor in Council shall determine and appoint as best adapted to the general interests of the dominion. To be a public work.
3. The construction of the railway and its management until completed shall be under the charge of four Commissioners, to be appointed by the Governor, who shall hold office during pleasure. How constructed and managed.
4. The Governor shall and may appoint a chief engineer, to hold office during pleasure, who, under the instructions he may receive from the Commissioners, shall have the general superintendence of the works to be constructed under this Act. Appointment of chief engineer.
5. The Commissioners shall and may appoint and employ a secretary, such engineers (under the chief engineer), and such surveyors and other officers, and also such agents, servants and workmen, as in their discretion they may deem necessary and proper for the execution of the powers and duties vested in the said Commissioners by virtue of this Act. Appointment of other officers, &c.
6. The Commissioners shall have full power and authority by themselves, their engineers, agents, workmen, servants, contractors and the servants and workmen of such contractors:—
  1. To explore and survey the country lying between Rivière du Loup and Truro. To explore.
  2. And for that purpose to enter into and upon any public lands or the lands of any corporation or person whatsoever; To enter on lands.
  3. To make surveys, examinations or other arrangements on such lands necessary for fixing the site of the railway, and to set out and ascertain such parts of the lands as shall be necessary and proper for the railway; To fix the site of road.
  4. And to fell or remove any trees standing in any woods, lands or forests where the railway shall pass, to the distance of four rods from either side thereof. To fell timber.
7. The Commissioners are further authorised to enter upon and take possession of any lands required for the purposes of the railway, and they shall lay off the same by metes and bounds, and deposit of record a description and plan thereof in the office for the registry of deeds for the county or registration division in which the lands are situate, and such deposit shall operate as a dedication to the public of such lands, which shall be thereupon vested in the Crown. To take possession of lands.
8. The Commissioners or contractors may enter with workmen, carts, carriages, and horses, upon any lands, and deposit thereon soil, earth, gravel, trees, bushes, logs, poles, brushwood or other material found on the line of railway or works connected therewith, or for the purpose of digging up, quarrying and carrying away earth, stones, gravel, or other material, and cutting down and carrying away trees, bushes, logs, poles and brushwood therefrom for the making and preparing of such railway. May use adjacent lands.
9. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners to make or construct in, upon, across, under or over any land, streets, hills, valleys, roads, railways or tramroads, canals, rivers, brooks, streams, lakes or other waters, such temporary or permanent inclined planes, embankments, cuttings, aqueducts, bridges, roads, ways, passages, conduits, drains, piers, arches or other works as they may think proper. May make all necessary works.
10. They may alter the course of any river, canal, brook, stream or watercourse, and may divert or alter as well temporarily as permanently the course of any such rivers, streams of water, roads, streets or ways, or raise or sink the level of the same, in order to carry them over or under, on the level of, or by the side of, the railway, as they may think proper. May alter the courses of rivers.
11. They shall have power to make conduits or drains into, through or under any lands adjoining the railway, for the purpose of conveying water from or to the railway. May drain into adjacent lands.
12. The Commissioners shall have all such other powers (not inconsistent with this Act) as may be conferred upon railway companies by any Act which may be passed for the consolidation and regulation of the general clauses relating to railways. And enjoy powers conferred by any General Railway Act.
13. The Commissioners may contract and agree with all persons, corporations, guardians, tutors, curators and trustees whatsoever, not only for themselves, their heirs, successors Powers of Commissioners with respect to purchase of lands.