

29 Vic., c. 80. That by the Act passed in 1865, "To extend the time for the completion of the Canada Central Railway," it was provided that nothing herein contained shall infringe upon or in anywise vary or diminish the rights of the Vaudreuil Railway Company, under the provisions of section 6 of the Act 24 Victoria, Chapter 80, incorporating the Canada Central Railway Company":—

29, 30 Vic., c. 91. That the Act passed in 1866, "To amend the Acts incorporating the Canada Central Railway Company," provided that "the line of the railway from Vaudreuil to Ottawa shall be as enacted by the Act incorporating the Vaudreuil Railway Company":— 50

33 Vic., c. 52. That the Act passed in 1870 "respecting the Canada Central Railway Company," extended the time for depositing the maps, plans, and books of reference by the said Company to two years, and for completion of the railway to five years from 1st. September 1870,—and provided "that the portion of the projected line of 55 the said railway between Hawkesbury and Vaudreuil may at any time during the said five years, from any point in West Hawkesbury to Vaudreuil be constructed by the Vaudreuil Railway Company,—which Company, as to the said line, shall have the full exercise of all powers conferred upon it by the several Acts 60 concerning the same":—

And whereas the Vaudreuil Railway Company have further represented that they have been unable to construct the portion of the line between Vaudreuil and Hawkesbury, in consequence of the failure of other Companies to construct that portion 65 between Hawkesbury and Ottawa, as it has been found impracticable to organize a railway from Vaudreuil to Hawkesbury without the power of extending the same to the city of Ottawa or to some railway in operation to that city;—and further, that the Canada Central Railway Company, which now possesses a right to construct a railway upon the route in question, has publicly declared that the said Company does not intend to construct the same; and in consequence of such declaration, a new line of railway has been projected, from the line of the Grand Trunk Railway near Coteau Landing to the City of Ottawa, 75 but not passing through the County of Prescott; and it is essential to the interests of that County that the Vaudreuil Railway Company should be relieved from any doubt that might arise in consequence of the powers conferred on the Canada Central Railway Company in reference to that portion of the line lying 80 between Hawkesbury and Ottawa, recently abandoned by the last mentioned Company; and the said Vaudreuil Railway Company have prayed that the powers conferred upon them by the Acts above recited in reference to the section between Hawkesbury and Ottawa aforesaid, may be confirmed and renewed; and 85 it is expedient to grant their prayer: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. That portion of a proposed line of railway between Vaudreuil and the City of Ottawa, lying between Hawkesbury and Ottawa, which the Vaudreuil Railway Company, in conjunction with other Companies, has been authorised to construct, in part or in whole, under the Acts recited in the preamble, may at any time during five years next after the passing of this Act, be con- 95

Powers of Company with regard to whole line from Vaudreuil to Ottawa.