

by way of Chilkat Pass, also branch lines of railway from any points on the Co's railways to any property owned by the Co., also lines of railway from any navigable waters to any property owned by the Co.: Provided that the power to build the line from Lynn Canal to



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Port Selkirk and the branch lines & lines from navigable waters shall not be exercised without the consent of the Governor-General-in-Council.

The Act of Incorporation to give the Co. sufficient powers to build & otherwise acquire & operate docks, wharves & lines of steam & other vessels in connection with its railways & property, also telegraph & telephone lines, also to carry on mining and smelting operations & such other powers as may be necessary to operate & conduct all business connected with & incidental to the development & working of the lands (to be granted by the Government as hereinafter provided) & the minerals therein, including power to issue land grant bonds & bonds secured by the Co's undertakings.

3. Upon the incorporation of the Co. & upon the assignment by the contractors to such Co. of this agreement & upon the Co. covenanting with the Government to carry out the same, & upon the railway from Stikine River to Teslin Lake being completed & accepted, the contractors shall be relieved from personal responsibility hereunder & the Co. shall be thereafter deemed to be the parties of the second part hereto in lieu of the contractors & shall be bound as such, & be entitled to their rights hereunder.

4. For 5 years from September 1, 1898, no

line of railway shall be authorized by Parliament to be constructed from Lynn Canal or thereabouts or from any point at or near the International Boundary between Canada & Alaska into the Yukon District, & for five years from said date no aid in land or money shall be granted to any person or company other than the contractors & the contractors' Co. to assist in building any such railway.

5. The contractors & the contractors' Co. shall be entitled to receive in preference to any other person or company during 10 years from September 1, 1898, such aid or assistance in land or money as the Government may be authorized & may see fit to grant in aid of a line of railway from the Stikine River to an ocean port in B.C., provided that the contractors or contractors' Co. are willing to undertake construction of same at once & completion thereof within a reasonable time upon receiving notice from the Government.

6. The tolls to be collected by the contractors or contractors' Co. upon the railway between Stikine River & Teslin Lake shall be 1st fixed by the Governor General in Council, & shall not be liable to reduction until the railway has been in operation for 4 years, but the tolls shall be reduced by the Governor in Council by 25% from & after such 4 years, & after the railway has been in operation 7 years they shall be reduced by 25% off the tolls as previously reduced, but after the railway has been 10 years in operation the tolls shall be subject to the general railway laws of Canada in that behalf.

7. The land granted to the contractors or contractors' Co. hereunder shall be free from taxation for 10 years from the granting thereof, except municipal taxation by an incorporated city, town or village within the Yukon Provisional District.

8. The contractors shall immediately construct a practicable sleigh road from the mouth of Stikine River to Teslin Lake & shall provide suitable shelters or stopping places for travellers at intervals of not more than 25 miles along the road, the road & stopping places to be available for use at the earliest possible moment & in any event not later than 6 weeks from the execution of this agreement.

9. The contractors or contractors' Co. shall provide or arrange with others to provide steamboat transport of freight & passengers between the terminus of the railway on Teslin Lake or other terminus northerly thereof and Dawson City to & fro.

10. The contractors shall within 10 days

after the execution hereof deposit with the Government in cash or approved cash security \$250,000 as security that the railway from Stikine River to Teslin Lake will be completed & equipped in accordance with the terms hereof, & on the railway being completed & equipped & accepted the security shall be returned to the contractors, & if it be deposited in cash, interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum thereon shall be paid for the time it has been deposited.

11. In aid of the construction of the railway from Stikine River to Teslin Lake the Government shall grant to the contractors for each mile of railway 25,000 acres of land to be selected as hereinafter mentioned from the Yukon Provisional District & from that part of the Northwest Territories of Canada lying west of the Mackenzie River and Liard River & north of the 60th parallel of latitude, such land to be vested in the contractors upon the railway being completed and accepted as complete by the Government & upon the land being selected as hereinafter set forth.

12. The lands shall be selected by the contractors along base lines & the base lines may be of two kinds: 1st. The contractors may take as a base line a line which will correspond with the general course of any lake, river, stream or watercourse, such line to be determined by survey or approximate survey



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to the satisfaction of the authorized agent of the Minister of the Interior, & to follow the general course of the lake, river, stream or watercourse for the required distance. The contractors may take as a base line a line commencing at any point located by them &

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