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## BILL.

### An Act to Amend the CHARTER of the ERIE and ONTARIO RAILROAD COMPANY.

WHEREAS the Erie and Ontario Railroad Company  
have by their Petition prayed that the Act passed in  
the fifth year of the Reign of his late Majesty King William  
the Fourth intituled "An Act to Incorporate certain persons  
5 therein mentioned under the name and title of the Erie and  
Ontario Railroad Company" may be amended, so as to em-  
power the said Company in their discretion, to alter the route  
of their present road, and to extend the same to the Niagara  
River at or near the Town of Niagara, and to increase the  
10 Capital Stock of the said Company and for other purposes;  
And whereas it is desirable that the prayer of the said Pe-  
tition should be granted;

Be it therefore enacted, &c., That for and notwithstanding any  
thing in the said Act or any other Act of the Parliament of  
15 this Province contained, it shall and may be lawful for the  
said Company and they are hereby authorized to vary or alter  
in their discretion the line or route of their present road in  
any part thereof and to pass by or near the Niagara Falls'  
Suspension Bridge, and thence to the Queenston Mountain at  
20 the ravine leading to St. Davids, or at such other point as  
they may deem most advisable, and thence to continue the  
said road in a direct course or such other course as they may  
see proper to the said Niagara River at or near the said Town of  
Niagara, and to extend one or more branches thereof from  
25 such point or points on their said road as they may deem ad-  
visable to the said Suspension Bridge, to the Clifton House,  
and to the Village of Queenston if they deem it expedient;  
and they are hereby given and granted the same rights and  
powers to enter into survey and procure title to the Lands re-  
30 quired for the purposes of the said Company as regards such  
altered or changed route of the said road, as well as in  
respect to the extension of the same as are provided for in  
and by the original Charter of the said Company in relation  
to entering upon surveying and procuring title to Lands  
35 generally for the purposes of the said Company.

II. And be it enacted, That notwithstanding as afore-  
said the whole Capital Stock of the said Company exclusive  
of any real estate which the said Company may have or hold  
by virtue of the said recited Act or of this Act, shall not