



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 empower 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 Petition 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 advisable 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 aforesaid 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