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An Act to graniadditional powers to the Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company.

THEREAS the Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company, Preamble incorporated by charter granted under the provisions of the Act of the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, twentyseventh and twenty-eighth Victoria, intituled: "An Act to autho-5 rize the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing Mining and other Companies," have by their petition represented

that they have not sufficient power under their charter to enable them to carry on and extend their business, and have prayed for a special Act of incorporation; Therefore Her Majesty, by and 10 with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons

of Canada, enacts as follows :----

1. All persons who are now shareholders in the Quebec and Incorporation. Gulf Ports Steamship Company, or shall at any time hereafter become shareholders in the said Company, under the provisions of

15 this Act, and the by-laws made under the authority thereof, and their successors, shall be a body corporate and politic, with perpetual succession and a common seal, by the name of the "Quebec Corporate and Guil Forts Steamship Company," and by that name may sue, name. and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all Courts, whether of 20 law or equity.

2. The capital stock of the said Company shall be two million Capital stock. five hundred thousand dollars, divided into twenty-five thousand shares of one hundred dollars each, two hundred and ninety-five thousand dollars of which has been alloted; the balance of the 25 said capital not yet allotted may be issued in such manner as the Directors may from time to time direct.

3. The Company shall have power to own, build, buy, sell, and Powers and charter ships, steamboats, and other vessels, and to employ them the company. in any lawful business whatsoever and wheresoever; also to own,

30 construct, buy, sell, or lease wharves, roads, stores, buildings, or other property, and to purchase, sell and lease real estate, and mines, and purchase or sell shares in mining companies, and to buy and sell coals and merchandize of any kind.

4. The affairs of the Company shall be managed by a Board of Directors. 35 not less than seven nor more than nine Directors, three of whom shall be a quorum ; the shareholders shall, at the first annual meeting after the passing of this Act, before proceeding to the election of Directors, declare by resolution the number of the Directors.

5. No person shall be eligible as a Director hereafter, unless he Qualification is the owner of stock, absolutely in his own right, to the value of of Directors. twenty shares paid up in full.

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