

would greatly contribute to the facility of intercourse between the several Districts and Townships through which the same is intended to pass, and the said City of Toronto, and would tend to open a free intercourse with Lake Superior, Green Bay, the State of Wisconsin and other Western States of America, and thereby in a very important manner promote the interests of this Province: And whereas for the purpose of raising funds for the construction of the said Rail-road by means of small contributions, it hath been proposed that the shares in the capital stock of the said Company may either be subscribed for or the shares may be allotted and distributed among the several members, contributors and subscribers to the said Rail-road Company, by chance or otherwise, as prizes amongst the members, subscribers or contributors to the said undertaking, on the condition, nevertheless, that such sum of money as shall be subscribed or contributed by persons taking scrip in the said Company, shall be solely and entirely expended in the construction of the said Rail-road, and the payment of the expences necessarily incident thereto: Be it therefore enacted, by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and

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