

7. Road crossings, with cattle guards and sign boards, shall be provided wherever required.

8. The width of cuttings, at formation, shall be twenty feet; embankments fifteen feet.

9. Efficient drainage must be provided either by open ditches or under drains.

10. All bridges, culverts, and other structures, must be of ample size and strength for the purpose intended. Piers and abutments of large bridges and culverts must be of massive stone, masonry or iron, made of durable and suitable materials, thoroughly permanent in character, and in every essential particular equal to the best description of like work employed in similar railway work in the Dominion.

11. The rails shall be of steel, weight, fifty-six pounds per lineal yard, of approved section, and with the most approved fish or scabbard joints.

12. The roadway must be well ballasted with either gravel or other suitable material.

13. Sufficient siding accommodation shall be provided by the Company as may be necessary to meet the requirements of the traffic.

14. Sufficient rolling stock necessary to accommodate the business of the line shall be provided by the Company, with stations and terminal accommodations, including engine-sheds, turn-tables, shops, machinery, &c., &c.

J. G. SCOTT, *Secretary.*

QUEBEC, 30th April, 1883.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT made and entered into this fourth day of September, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-three, between "The Quebec and Lake St. John Railway Company," of the first part, and Her Majesty Queen Victoria, represented herein by the Acting Minister of Railways and Canals, of the second part.

Witnesseth that whereas it is in and by an Act passed in the Session of the Parliament of Canada, held in the forty-fifth year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered fourteen, and entitled: "An Act to provide for the granting of subsidies for the construction of certain lines of Railway therein mentioned," amongst other things in effect enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to grant for the construction of a railway "from St. Raymond to Lake St. John, both in the Province of Quebec, a subsidy not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars per mile, nor exceeding in the whole three hundred and eighty-four thousand dollars. The said subsidy to be granted to such Company as shall be approved of by the Governor in Council as having established to his satisfaction its ability to complete the said railway within a reasonable time to be fixed by Order in Council, and according to descriptions and specifications to be approved by the Governor in Council, such subsidy to be payable by instalments on the completion of each ten miles of railway proportionate to the value of the portion so completed in comparison with the work undertaken, such proportion to be established by the report of the said Minister of Railways and Canals; provided always, that the granting of such subsidy shall be subject to such conditions for securing such running powers or traffic arrangements and other rights as will afford all reasonable facilities and equal mileage rates to all railways connecting therewith as the Governor in Council may determine."

And Whereas The Quebec and Lake St. John Railway Company has been duly approved by the Governor in Council, and has established to his satisfaction its ability to complete the said railway within a reasonable time to be fixed by Order in Council.

And Whereas the Governor in Council has duly approved of the descriptions and specifications hereto annexed marked "A."

And Whereas by an Act passed in the Session of the Parliament of Canada, held in the forty-sixth year of Her Majesty's reign and entitled: "An Act for authorizing subsidies for the construction of the lines of Railway therein mentioned," it is amongst