

interest due thereon, be payable to the bearer thereof, who shall, until the contrary be proved in all law proceedings and on all other occasions, be held to be the proprietor of such debenture and of the debt and interest intended to be secured thereby, with all the hypothecary and other rights and privileges attached thereto; and it shall also be lawful for the said Company to grant such debentures either in payment or as security to any person or persons, corporation or corporations to whom the said Company may be indebted, and who may be willing to receive the same; and every debenture issued under the provisions of this Act, purporting to hypothecate any real estate in Lower Canada, shall have the same authenticity, force and effect, with respect to the date thereof, the mortgage or hypothec there- by given, and in all other respects without exception, as if the same had been executed in the notarial form according to the laws of that part of the Province of Canada heretofore constituting the Province of Lower Canada; and every instrument purporting to be a debenture issued under the provisions of this Act, shall by all Courts, Judges and other officers and upon all occasions, be considered and treated as genuine and authentic until the contrary be proved; Provided always, that nothing herein contained, shall defeat or in any way impair any bond, debenture, obligation hypothec, mortgage, or other security heretofore granted by the said Company.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That as soon as any part of the said Rail-road, shall be so far completed as to be capable of being used, it shall and may be lawful for the Directors of the said Company, from time to time to fix and regulate the Tolls and charges to be received for the transportation taken of all passengers, goods, merchandises and other property of any kind thereon or on any of the said steamboats or vessels; and also to fix and

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