

damages sustained by reason of such exercise, as regards such lands, of the powers by this or the special Act, or any Act incorporated therewith, vested in the Company; and, except where otherwise provided by this Act or the special Act, the amount of such compensation shall be ascertained and determined in the manner provided by this Act. 5

Deposit of Stock-Book in Provincial Secretary's Office by companies desirous of obtaining Special Acts.

V. Any Company desirous to obtain a Special Act for the construction of a Railway, shall deposit with the Secretary of the Province, previous to the application to the Legislature, a copy of their Stock-Book, showing the number of their subscribers, and the actual *bona fide* amount of the subscriptions, and that at least one quarter of the intended capital has been actually subscribed, the truth whereof shall be supported by the affidavit or solemn affirmation, as the case may be, of two of the Directors or Shareholders of the Company, and the Company shall also at the same time deposit with the said Secretary a certificate of the Cashier of some chartered Bank in this Province of the deposit therein of a sum equal to ten per cent. upon the amount of subscriptions, with authority to the said Secretary to control the withdrawal of the said deposit for such time as the Secretary may think proper, not longer than six months after the Railway shall have been actually commenced and proceeded with. 10 15 20 25

No Bill to be received by Legislature unless a certificate of deposit of Stock-Book, &c. be produced to the respective Clerks.

VI. No Bill for a Special Act for the allowance or establishment of a Railway shall be received by the Legislature unless and until there shall be deposited with the Clerks of both branches, a certificate from the Secretary of the Province, that the Company applying has complied in all respects with the requirements of the next preceding clause. 30

INTERPRETATION.

Interpretation of words.

VII. And with respect to the construction of this Act, and of any Special Act, and of other Acts to be incorporated therewith, be it enacted as follows: 35

"The special Act."

1. The expression "the special Act," used in this Act shall be construed to mean any Act which shall be hereafter passed, authorising the construction of a Railway, and with which this Act shall be so incorporated as

"Prescribed."

aforesaid; and the word "prescribed," used in this Act in reference to any matter herein stated, shall be construed to refer to such matter as the same shall be prescribed or provided for in the special Act; and the sentence in which such word shall occur shall be construed as if, instead of the word "prescribed," the expression

"The lands."

"prescribed for that purpose in the special Act" had been used; and the expression "the lands," shall mean the lands which shall, by the special Act, be authorised