

An Act to define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of the Champlain and St. Lawrence, and Montreal and New York Railroad Companies.

WHEREAS, the Company of Proprietors of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad, and the Montreal and New York Railroad Company have respectively, by their Petitions made known, that at general meetings of the Shareholders in the respective companies, they have agreed to an union of their several interests, property and rights, and prayed to have such union confirmed, and that the corporate names of the said two companies be changed and that they be one Corporation: Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows :

I. The said two Corporations of the Company of Proprietors of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad and the said Montreal and New York Railroad Company, and the respective Shareholders therein, shall hereafter continue and subsist as one corporation or body politic, under the name of "The Montreal and Champlain Railroad Company," and which name shall be and subsist in lieu and instead of those heretofore appertaining to the said Companies, and by which they were formerly known and distinguished; but the said change of name shall not be construed in any way to abrogate any of the rights which the said two Companies respectively had or have as separate Corporations, nor, in any way, to affect any right or liability of either, or any suit, action, or proceeding, pending at the time when this Act shall come into force, but the one name hereby assigned to the two corporations shall be substituted, as of course, for its former name, in any subsequent record, document, or writing, in such suit, action, or proceeding.

II. The said Corporation shall, by the name hereby assigned to it, continue to have all, each and every, the rights, powers and authority, of every nature, kind and description whatsoever, and without any exception or reserve, heretofore vested in, conferred on, or given to either of the said two Companies, or which they might, respectively, have lawfully exercised, under the corporate names they formerly possessed, respectively, by virtue of any Act either of the Legislature of Lower Canada or of this Province, subject always to the provisions of this Act, and shall continue to have perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to break, renew, change and alter the same at pleasure, and shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, in all Courts of law and equity, and other places, in all manner of actions, causes and matters whatsoever, and of exercising and enforcing in the said corporate name of the "Montreal and Champlain Railroad Company," each, all and every, the rights, powers and privileges, matters and things, which either of the said two