

BILL.

An Act to provide for the incorporation of a Company to construct a Rail-way from opposite Quebec to Trois-Pistoles, and for the extension of such Rail-way to the Eastern Frontier of this Province.

**W**HEREAS it is highly desirable that the Main Trunk Preamble, Line of Rail-way, for the construction of which from the Western Limits of the Province to a point opposite the City of Quebec, Companies have been incorporated by Acts of the Legislature of this Province, should be continued from such point as aforesaid to the Eastern Limits of the Province : 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 Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,

That whenever any number of persons not less than eighteen shall, by Petition to the Governor of this Province, represent that they have agreed together to form a Company for the purpose of constructing the Rail-way hereinafter mentioned, and that they have agreed among themselves to take Stock in the Capital of such Company to an amount not less than one hundred thousand pounds sterling, and that they have good reason to believe and do believe that with the benefit of the guarantee of this Province, and other advantages hereinafter mentioned, they will be able to raise the necessary funds and to complete the said Rail-road, then it shall be lawful for the Governor to enquire into the matter, and if he shall be satisfied that the said persons are of good standing and repute, and that they *bond fide* intend to subscribe among them at least the sum aforesaid, and that there is good reason to believe that they will raise the necessary funds and complete the said Rail-way, and that it will be for the advantage of this Province that they should be incorporated for the purpose of making the same, then it shall be lawful for him to issue a Proclamation under the Great Seal of this Province, declaring such persons, together with such others as shall, under the provisions of this Act, become proprietors of any share or shares in the Rail-way by this Act authorized to be made, their several and respective heirs, executors, administrators, curators and assigns, being proprietors of any share or shares in the said Rail-way, to be a body politic and corporate for all the purposes of this Act, by the name of *The Grand Trunk Rail-way Company of Canada East*; and the said Proclamation shall have effect according to the tenor thereof, and the said Company shall from the date thereof be incorporated accordingly; and the said Company shall be and they are hereby authorized and empowered from and after the issuing of the said Proclamation, by themselves, their deputies, agents, officers, workmen and

The governor may by proclamation incorporate a company, on certain conditions.

Corporate name and powers.

Line of Rail-way described.