

3. The second section of the Act fortieth Victoria, chapter fifty-eight, is hereby amended by substituting the word "five" for the word "three" in the second line of the said section: Provided however, that nothing in this Act shall have the effect of reviving the power of the said Company to construct a railway between the towns of St. Johns and Sorel.

Section 2 of
40 V., c. 58
amended.
Provisc.

4. This Act may be cited as "*The Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Act, 1881.*"

Short title.

CHAP. 44.

An Act to incorporate the Ontario and Quebec Railway Company.

[Assented to 21st March, 1881.]

WHEREAS the persons hereinafter named and others have petitioned for incorporation as a Company to construct and operate a railway from Toronto to Ottawa, passing through or near Carleton Place, with power to unite, amalgamate, or make running arrangements with railway lines in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and whereas the construction of such a railway would be of great public advantage by affording facilities for the settlement of the back country, bringing to market the productions thereof, and forming, through the Capital of the Dominion, a most valuable line of communication for national defence, and is a work for the general advantage of Canada; and it is for the reasons aforesaid expedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

Preamble.

1. The Ontario and Quebec Railway is hereby declared to be a work for the general advantage of Canada.

Declaratory.

2. H. S. Howland, Honorable L. R. Church, Honorable J. A. Chapleau, C. J. Campbell, Honorable J. Rosaire Thibaudeau, Alphonse Desjardins, W. H. Lockhart Gordon, E. B. Osler, Pierre Garneau, Duncan McIntyre, A. B. Chaffee, E. O. Bickford, Adam Brown, F. X. Archambault, and J. Alderic Ouimet, with all such other persons and corporations as shall become shareholders in the Company to be hereby incorporated, shall be, and are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic by the name of the "Ontario and Quebec Railway Company," (hereinafter called the Company) and shall have all the powers and privileges conferred on such corporations by "*The Consolidated Railway Act, 1879,*" subject, however, to the provisions hereinafter contained.

Certain persons incorporated.

Corporate name.