

Recital.

XXII. And whereas the speedy completion of the entire line of said intended Railway from the St. Lawrence to the Ottawa at Pembroke, would greatly facilitate and increase the trade of the Ottawa, develop the resources of the Country bordering thereon, open up for profitable settlement vast tracts of the unsurveyed lands of the Crown, and promote the best interests of this Province; And whereas the grant of a portion of the unsurveyed lands of the Crown above Pembroke would greatly assist the said Company in building the section of the said road running from the Madawaska to Pembroke; Be it therefore enacted, That for the purpose of aiding and assisting the said Company in the construction of the said Railway from the Madawaska to Pembroke, the Governor General in Council is hereby authorized and required, so soon as may be after the passing of this Act, to set apart at least eight hundred thousand acres of the ungranted lands of the Crown, either in the Townships through or near which the said Railway will pass, or out of the unsurveyed lands lying south of the Ottawa; And that the lands, so set apart, shall belong to the said Company from the time they shall have been so set apart, and that it shall and may be lawful for the said Company, from time to time, to sell and dispose of such parts thereof as they may require towards defraying the expenses of building and keeping in operation the said Railway, and that the purchaser or purchasers of any lot or lots, so sold, upon producing to the Governor in Council, the conveyance in fee of the same from the said Company, shall be entitled to demand and receive a Patent or Patents for the same upon payment of the usual fee, and that in like manner the said Company may, at any time, demand and receive from the Governor General in Council a Patent or Patents for the whole or any portion of the lands so set apart, upon payment of the usual fee; Provided always, that the land so set apart shall be known and designated as the Brockville and Ottawa Railways lots, and shall not having been so set apart as aforesaid, and returned and notified as hereinafter required, be at any time thereafter sold or granted to any person or body, except the said Company or their assignees as aforesaid; Provided also, that immediately upon the said lands being so set apart as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Crown Lands or other proper officer to furnish the said Company with a schedule or list of the same accompanied by maps when necessary, or other information sufficient to apprise them with certainty of the lots so set apart and their situation.

Governor General may set apart 800,000 acres of ungranted lands of the Crown for use of Company.

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Shareholders entitled to equal rights, whether British subjects or aliens.

Simple execution of a conveyance by a married woman, to operate as a Bar of Dower.

Public Act.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That any Shareholder in the said Company, whether a British subject or alien, or a resident in Canada or elsewhere, has, and shall have equal rights to hold Stock in the said Company, to vote on the same and to be eligible to office in the said Company.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That the simple execution of any conveyance under this Act by any married woman, with her husband, shall operate as a Bar of Dower in the lands thereby conveyed, and a conveyance of her title therein if the same be owned by her without any other ceremony or formality whatever.

XXV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be deemed a Public Act.