An Act respecting the British Columbia Southern Railway Company.

WHEREAS the British Columbia Southern Railway Com-Preamble. pany has, by its petition, prayed for the passing of an Act to confirm a lease of a portion of the railway of the said company and for the purposes hereinafter set forth, and it is 5 expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and Ilouse of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:

- 1. Section 4 of chapter 36 of the statutes of 1897, is hereby 1897, c. 36, amended by inserting after the word "Company" in the s. 4 amended. 10 second line thereof, the words "either with or without an option of purchase."
- 2. The lease to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company of Lease to that portion of the British Columbia Southern Railway Company's railway between the eastern boundary of British Columbia and Nelson, with the option of purchase as therein mentioned, (a copy of which lease is set out in the schedule to this Act) is hereby confirmed and declared to be valid and binding on each of the said companies parties thereto according to the tenor thereof, and each of the said companies may do what-20 ever is necessary in order to give effect thereto, provided that nothing in this Act or in the said lease shall relieve either of the said companies from any of its duties or liabilities under the railway laws of Canada.

SCHEDULE.

This Indenture made the first day of January, in the year 1898, between the British Columbia Southern Railway Company, hereinafter called the "the Lessor," of the first part; the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, hereinafter called "the Lessee," of the second part; and Sir William C. Van Horne, K.C.M.G., and Richard B. Angus, Thomas G. Shaughnessy, and William Hanson, Esquires, all of the city of Montreal; Sir George A. Kirkpatrick, K.C.M.G., and Edmund B. Osler, Esquire, of the city of Toronto; William Whyte, Esquire, of the city of Winnipeg, Harry Abbott, Esquire, of the city of Vancouver, and John A. Gemmill, Esquire, of the city of Ottawa, being all the holders of shares in the capital stock of the Lessor, hereinafter referred to in the aggregate as "the Shareholders," of the third part:

WHEREAS the Lessor was duly authorized by Acts of the Legislature of the province of British Columbia to build a