

or maliciously, or wantonly, and contrary to law, obstruct, hinder, or prevent the carrying on, completing, and maintaining the said Railroad, or the works appertaining thereto, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be punished accordingly.

Sec. 14. The Corporation shall keep, in a book for that purpose, a regular account of all their disbursements, expenditures and receipts, and the books of the Corporation shall at all times be open to the inspection of the Governor and Council, and of any Committee duly authorized by the Legislature; and at the expiration of every year the Treasurer of the Corporation shall make an exhibit under oath to the Legislature of the nett profits derived from the income of said Railroad.

Sec. 15. All real estate purchased by said Corporation for the use of the same under the section shall be taxable to the Corporation by the several cities and townships in which such lands lie, in the same manner as lands owned by private persons, and shall in the valuation list be estimated the same as other real estate of the same quality in such city or township, and not otherwise, and the shares owned by the respective stockholders shall be taxable as personal estate to the owners thereof, in the place where they reside and have their home. And whenever the nett income of said Corporation shall have amounted ten per centum per annum upon the cost of the said road, and its appendages and incidental expenses, the Directors shall make a special report of the fact to the Legislature; from and after which time one moiety or such other portion as the Legislature may from time to time determine, of the nett income from said Railroad accruing thereafter over and above ten per centum per annum, first to be paid to the stockholders, shall annually be paid over by the Treasurer of the Corporation as a tax into the Provincial Treasury for the use of the Province. And the Province may have an action therefor against the Corporation to recover the same. But no other tax than herein is provided shall ever be levied or assessed on said Corporation, or any of their privileges or franchises.

Sec. 16. The annual meeting of the members of said Corporation shall be holden on the last Wednesday in July, or such other day as shall be determined by the bye-laws, at such time and place as the Directors for the time being shall appoint; at which meeting the Directors shall be chosen by ballot, each proprietor, by himself or proxy, being entitled to as many votes as he shall hold shares, and the Directors may call special meetings of the stockholders whenever they shall deem proper, giving such notice as the Corporation, by their bye-laws, shall direct.

Sec. 17. The Legislature shall at all times have the right to enquire into the doings of the Corporation, and into the manner in which the privileges hereby granted may have been used by the Corporation, and to correct and prevent all abuses of the same, and to pass any law imposing fines and penalties upon said Corporation that may be necessary more effectually to enforce compliance with the provisions, liabilities, and duties herein set forth.

Sec. 18. If the said Corporation shall not have been organized, and the location according to actual survey of the route made, on or before the thirty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord 1855, or if the said Corporation shall fail to complete said Railroad on or before the thirty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord 1865, in either of the above mentioned cases this Act shall be null and void.

Sec. 19. The Company may from time to time borrow in this Province, or elsewhere, such sums of money, not exceeding at any time the sum of

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