An Act to incorporate the North West Transportation and Land Company.

THEREAS William H. Boulton, Thomas Clarkson, Allan Mac- Preamble. donell, John McMurrich, George Monro, Thomas Hutchinson, Esquires, and others, of the City of Toronto, have presented a Pecition to the Legislature of this Province, praying that an Act might be passed to autho-5 rise them to open and construct communications within the Northern and the Western limits of Canada, whereby those regions of country may be brought within the circle of our commercial interests, and thus greatly contribute to develope and make available great resources of Provincial wealth: And whereas the construction of such communications would 10 not only open out for emigration and population an extensive and fertile country, at present a wilderness, making it easy of access, and bringing into market lands now deemed too remote from civilization, but it will ultimately afford a vast new channel for the commerce of Europe and Asia, thereby creating new influences and new interests 15 between Canada and the British Empire : Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. William Henry Boulton, Thomas Clarkson, Allan Macdonell, John Company in-McMurrich, George Monro, John Hutchinson, Esquires, and others. corporated. together with such person or persons as shall, under the provisions of 20 this Act, become shareholders of the Company hereinafter mentioned. shall be, and are hereby ordained, constituted, and declared to be a body corporate, in fact and by name, the "North West Transportation and Corporate Land Company," and by that name they and their successors shall and General may have continued succession, and by such name shall be capable of powers. 25 contracting and being contracted with, of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered unto in all Courts of Law and places whatsoever, on all manner of actions, suits, complaints, matters and causes whatsoever, and they and their successors shall and may have a common seal, and may change and alter the same at their 30 will and pleasure; and also, they and their successors, by the same name of the North West Transportation and Land Company, shall be in law capable of purchasing and holding to them and their successors, any estate, real, personal, or mixed, to and for the use of the said Company, and of letting, selling, conveying, or otherwise departing therewith for ³⁵ the benefit and on the account of the said Company from time to time, as they shall deem expedient or necessary.

II. The said Company shall be and are hereby authorised and empow-Powers of ered, from and after the passing of this Act, by themselves, their depu-make roads, ties, agents, officers, workmen, and servants, to make and complete com- railways,

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