XVI. Any suit at law or in equity may be prosecuted and maintained between the Company and any shareholders thereof, and no shareholder not being himself a party to such suit, shall be incompetent as a witness therein.

5 XVII. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, upon the report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, to authorise the Company to enter upon any ungranted lands of the Crown, on which it may be deemed requisite or desirable that any work such as the Company is authorised to construct, should be constructed, and to sell or grant to the Company any such lands; Provided always, that the Company shall first lay before the Commissioner of Crown Lands detailed plans of any works so contemplated, to be submitted by the said Commissioner, with his report, for the information and approval of the Governor in Council, and shall not deviate from such plans without being thereunto authorised by the 15 Governor in Council.

XVIII. The Company may, if it be found necessary for the construction of any work or for any purpose contemplated by this Act, cut timber and procure stone, fuel and other materials from any unsold lands of the Crown lying beyond the limits of any land acquired by the Company as 20 hereinbefore provided, on such terms and under such regulations as may be made by the Governor in Council, upon the like report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

XIX. The Company may explore the ground lying between the termini of any railway or other road, or which may be supposed to 25 be adapted for the site of any such works or buildings as the Company is hereby authorised to undertake; and may designate, take and hold, the requisite land upon the line and within the limits of any such railway or other road, or for any such other work, according to the provisions hereinafter contained, and may take and carry 30 away stone, gravel, sand, earth and other like materials, from any adjoining or neighbouring lands, and also may cut, make and keep in repair, upon such adjoining or neighboring lands, such ditches, drains, and water courses as may be necessary for effectually draining or carrying off the water from any such railway, road or other work; 35 and whenever any such railway or other road passes through or by any wood or standing timber, the Company may cut down the trees and underwood for one hundred feet on each side of the same, making compensation therefor as hereinafter provided; And for the purposes aforesaid, the Company and their agents, servants and workmen may 40 enter into and upon the lands of any person, doing no unnecessary damage.

XX. If the owner or occupier of any land, through or upon which the Company desire to construct any such railway, road or other work, or from which they desire to take materials, or upon which they intend to exercise any power given to them by this Act, neglects or refuses, upon demand made by the Company, to agree with them upon the price or amount of damages to be paid for, or for passing through or upon such land, and appropriating the same to the use of the Company, or for materials taken, or for the exercise of any such power as aforesaid, the Company may name one arbitrator, and the owner or occupier of such land may name another, and the said two arbitrators