

their debts  
and stocks

properties and effects, and on such terms, either of complete or partial union, and either of joint, or separate, or absolute, or limited liabilities to third parties, and either absolutely or for a time, and either for the whole or any one or more of the objects of the said Companies respectively, or of this Act, as such Company shall deem meet, and any deed 5 or agreement under the seals of the said Companies, ratified by the shareholders as aforesaid shall be valid and binding to all intents and purposes in the same manner as if the same had been incorporated with this Act from and after the same shall have been filed in the Registry Offices of the West Riding of Northumberland, and the North 10 Riding of Hastings, and the publication of notice thereof for weeks in the *Canada Gazette*

Agreement to  
be registered

Powers of  
Companies  
saved.

6. All the powers of the said Companies respectively shall continue to be held by them as fully and amply as if this Act had not been passed, and the said Companies are empowered to pledge their credit and pro- 15 perties for any such joint object as shall have been ratified by the shareholders, and may issue their joint or joint and several debentures, in accordance with any such agreement so filed as aforesaid which shall be binding, and they may charge their respective properties therefor, subject to any existing liens or charges thereon, such debentures to be for 20 sums not less than one hundred dollars respectively.

Public Act

7 This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.