

An Act to incorporate the St. Clair, Chatham and Rond Eau Ship Canal Company.

WHEREAS Joseph Northwood and others, have petitioned to be incorporated for the purposes of this Act; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows: Preamble.

1. Joseph Northwood, George Thomas, Archibald McKellar, William Eberts, the Honorable John Prince, M. L. C., John W. Keating, Thomas M. Taylor, Peter J. Flood, John Waddell, Thomas Cross, John S. Vosburgh, Alexander Knapp, Robert K. Payne, Rowley Pegly, George Duck the younger, James Burns, P. L. Sternberg, H. C. Walker, Hiram Niles, Charles Walker, George Steele, B. L. Sheppard, Arthur Hughes, O. H. O'Viat, W. J. Gordon, John McDowall, Robert Stuart Woods, or either of them, together with all such persons (subjects of Her Majesty or others,) as shall become Stockholders of the Company hereinafter mentioned, shall be and are hereby ordained, constituted and declared to be a body corporate and politic, in fact and by the name of the "St. Clair, Chatham and Rond Eau Ship Canal Company," and by that name they and their successors shall and may have continued succession; and by such name shall be capable of contracting and being contracted with, of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered unto, in all Courts and places whatsoever, in all manner of actions, suits, complaints, matters and causes whatsoever; and they and their successors may and shall have a common seal, and may change and alter the same at their will and pleasure; and also, they and their successors by the same name of the St. Clair Chatham and Rondeau Ship Canal 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 the benefit and on the account of the said Company, from time to time, as they shall deem expedient or necessary. Certain persons incorporated.

Corporate name.

II. The Directors of the said Company shall have full power and authority to survey and explore the Country lying between the waters of the river St. Clair and Lake Erie, and to designate and establish, and for the said Company to take, appropriate, have and hold, to and for the use of them and their successors, the line and boundaries of an intended Canal, to commence at some point on the waters of the River St. Clair and passing through or by way of the town of Chatham, to connect the waters of the river St. Clair with those of Lake Erie, at the Rond Eau harbour, and to build and erect the same with the necessary locks, dams, tow-paths, branches, feeders, basins, and railways, and also, to Power to hold lands, &c., and to construct a Canal.