

**BILL.**

An Act to incorporate the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

**W**HEREAS the persons hereinafter named, and others have Preamble. petitioned for incorporation as a Company to construct the Railway hereinafter described, and the construction of such Railway would be of great benefit to the commerce and for the general advantage, of the Provinces of Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, and of the Dominion of Canada, and it is expedient to grant their prayer; therefore Her Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Cannada enacts as follows:—

10 1. The St. Francis and Megantic and International Railway, is hereby declared to be a work for the general advantage of the Dominion of Canada. Railway of general advantage to Canada.

2. Benjamin Pomroy, Charles Brooks, Richard William Heneker, William Farwell the younger, Lemuel Pope, Cyrus A. Bailey, Persons incorporated.  
15 Colin Noble, Edward Towle Brooks, William Farwell and Stephen Edgell, Esquires, with all such other persons and corporations as shall become shareholders in the Company, hereby incorporated, shall be, and are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic by the name of "The St. Francis and Megantic International Corporate name.  
20 Railway Company," and shall have all the powers incident to railway corporations in general, and specially the powers hereinafter conferred upon said Company by this Act.

3. The said Company and their agents, and servants may lay out, construct and finish a double or single track, iron Railway, of Powers to construct a line of Railway.  
25 such width or guage as the Company see fit from the town of Sherbrooke, in the Province of Quebec, to the Province line at a point near Lake Megantic, there to connect with a line of Railway in the State of Maine, about to be constructed, and which will connect with the European and North American Railway, or a branch thereof, so as to form a continuous Railway from the Grand Trunk Railway to the City of St. John in New Brunswick, with the right on the part of the Company hereby incorporated either to make arrangements by agreement with the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, which last mentioned Company are 30 hereby authorized to enter into such arrangement, by the laying of a third rail or otherwise, to use that portion of the Grand Trunk Railway between the said town of Sherbrooke and the village of Lennoxville in the Township of Ascot in the Province of Quebec, as a part of the railway hereby authorized to be constructed 35 or to construct an independent road between the said points as the said Company hereby incorporated shall consider most advantageous for their interests. 40

4. The Capital Stock of the said Company shall not exceed, in the whole, the sum of one million, five hundred thousand dollars, Capital Stock and Shares; and how to be applied.