1904.

An Act respecting the Manitoba and North-western Railway Company of Canada.

WHEREAS the Manitoba and North-western Railway Preamble. Company of Canada has by its petition prayed that it be enacted as hereinafter set forth, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition: Therefore His Majesty, by 5 and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:-

1. The Manitoba and North-western Railway Company of Power to Canada, hereinafter called "the Company," may construct or acquire acquire and operate a branch line of railway about one hundred branch lines.

- 10 miles in length from a point on its main line near Sheho westerly and north-westerly southward of Quill Lakes to a point in township thirty-three or thirty-four in range twenty-three west of the second principal meridian; also a branch line of railway from a point at or near Churchbridge on the Com-
- 15 pany's main line southerly to a junction with the Pheasant Hills branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway at or near Cutarm Creek; also branch lines, not exceeding in any one case thirty miles in length, from the branch first above described and from the Company's main line.
- 2. The securities issued by the Company in respect of the Bond issue said branches shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars per limited. mile of the said branches, and may be issued only in proportion to the length of the branches constructed or under contract to be constructed.
- 3. Each of the said branch lines shall be commenced within Time for two years and completed within five years from the passing of limited. this Act, otherwise the powers hereby granted for its construction shall cease as to so much thereof as is not commenced and completed within such periods respectively.