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## An Act respecting the Dominion Atlantic Railway Company

WHEREAS the Dominion Atlantic Railway Company, Preamble. W hereinafter called "the Company," was incorporated by chapter 47 of the statutes of 1895, for the purposes, 1895, c. 47. among others, of acquiring and operating the undertakings 5 formerly known as the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, the Yarmouth and Annapolis Railway and the Cornwallis Valley Railway, all known now and operated as the Dominion Atlantic Railway; and whereas by section 8 of the said Act it was enacted that the capital stock of the Company should 10 be five hundred thousand pounds, divided into thirteen thousand five hundred preference shares of twenty pounds each, and eleven thousand five hundred ordinary shares of twenty pounds each; and whereas by sub-section 4 of the said section 8 the directors were, upon the application of any 15 shareholder, empowered to convert into preference stock any number of preference shares held by him, and into ordinary stock ordinary shares held by him, provided that the stock should only take the place of an equal amount at par of the shares of the

- same kind for which it was issued, and that the holders of such 20 stock should have the same rights and privileges as to dividends, voting at meetings of shareholders and qualification to become directors of the Company, as if they were holders of an equal amount at par of the shares of the Company of the same class; and whereas the capital of the Company was by
- 25 the directors, at the request and with the consent of the persons entitled thereto, all in fact issued as stock and not as shares, and the amount of such stock so issued was the amount authorized by the said section 8, namely, of preference stock two hundred and seventy thousand pounds and of
- 30 ordinary stock two hundred and thirty thousand pounds, making five hundred thousand pounds in all, and it is expedient to ratify and confirm the action of the Company with regard to the said stocks; and whereas, in exercise of the powers conferred upon the Company by the said Act, the
- 35 Company has acquired the said undertakings formerly known as the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, the Yarmouth and Annapolis Railway, and the Cornwallis Valley Railway, upon the terms and conditions set forth and expressed in the deed of conveyance set forth in schedule A to this Act; and whereas
- 40 the Company has exercised the borrowing powers conferred upon it by the said chapter 47 of the statutes of 1895 by creating and issuing the sum of five hundred thousand pounds of four per cent First Debenture Stock, and by creating and in part issuing three hundred and fifty thousand pounds of four per cent