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An Act to amend the Interpretation Act.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to the powers conferred Preamble. by Acts of the Parliament of Canada upon certain companies, and more particularly upon railway companies: Therefore His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. Paragraph 1 of section 7 of *The Interpretation Act*, R.S.C., c. 1, chapter 1 of the Revised Statutes, is repealed and the follow- s. 7 amended. ing is substituted therefor:—

"(1.) The enactments apply to the whole of Canada: Pro-Acts to apply vided always, that no right, power or privilege conferred by to the whole an Act of the Parliament of Canada, or by a charter granted under an Act of that Parliament, shall exempt any person Proviso as to exercising that right, power or privilege, from any liability provincial Acts and 15 incurred by him under any Act of a Legislature or under the common law.

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