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An Act for raising by way of Loan, a sum not exceeding Four Millions of Pounds currency, for making a Main Trunk Line of Railway throughout the length of this Province.

**W**HEREAS by a despatch from the Right Honorable Preamble.  
 Earl Grey, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, to the Right Honorable the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Governor General of British North America,  
 5 and Governor of this Province of Canada, bearing date the 14th day of March 1851, and the documents laid with the said despatch before both Houses of the Parliament of this Province by Message from His Excellency the Governor General, it appears that Her Majesty's Govern-  
 10 ment in the United Kingdom is disposed, on certain conditions, to recommend to Parliament that the credit of the said United Kingdom should be employed to enable the Provinces of Canada, New Brunswick and Nova  
 15 Scotia to raise upon advantageous terms the Funds necessary for the construction of a Line of Railway from Halifax in Nova Scotia to Quebec or Montreal in this Province; And whereas the Parliament of this Province hath during the present Session passed an Act for the construction of that portion of the said Railway from Halifax  
 20 to Quebec which ought to be made by this Province, provided the necessary Funds shall be raised under the authority and guarantee of the Parliament of the said United Kingdom, or advanced as a loan to this Province under the said authority, and for continuing the said  
 25 Railway, by and at the expense of this Province, from Quebec to the City of Hamilton or some convenient point on the Great Western Railroad, or so far as the said Railway as can be made with Funds to be so raised or advanced aforesaid, and it is  
 30 the earnest wish and hope of the people of this Province, that the great advantages which must accrue not only to Canada but to the other Provinces of British North America and to the Empire at large, and more especially to all Her Majesty's subjects who  
 35 may be desirous of becoming settlers in this Province or either of the Provinces aforesaid, will induce Her Majesty's Government to recommend to Parliament that the sum required to make the whole length of the said Railway, may be raised with the benefit of the credit of  
 40 the United Kingdom: Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

That the sum necessary for defraying the expenses of Sum required  
 making such part of the Railway from some point oppo- to make the  
Quebec and