

No. 28.

4th Session, 8th Parliament, 62 Victoria, 1899

BILL,

An Act respecting the British Columbia
Southern Railway Company.

First reading, April 5, 1899.

(PRIVATE BILL).

Mr. PRIOR.

OTTAWA
Printed by S. G. DAWSON
Printer to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty
1899

An Act respecting the British Columbia Southern
Railway Company.

WHEREAS the British Columbia Southern Railway Com- Preamble.
pany 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 Her Majesty, by and with the
5 advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of
Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. The British Columbia Southern Railway Company, here- Time extended
for completion
of eastern
section.
inafter called “the Company,” may complete the Eastern
section of its railway, namely, that portion thereof commencing
10 at the junction of Summit Creek with Michel Creek, thence
by way of Michel Creek to Elk River and the Upper Kootenay
River, with power to go to the forty-ninth parallel and the
Tobacco Plains, or any portion thereof, within five years after
the passing of this Act; provided that as to so much thereof
15 as is not completed within that period the powers of the
Company shall cease and determine.

2. The Company may construct, acquire and operate a Connecting
line
authorized.
railway between a point on its line of railway in the neigh-
bourhood of Fort Steele and a point at or near Golden on the
20 Canadian Pacific Railway, by a route having the same general
direction as the valleys of the Columbia and Kootenay Rivers,
and a railway from its main line at a point about thirty-six
miles west of the eastern boundary of British Columbia, thence
southerly and easterly not exceeding ten miles, and such other
25 branch lines from the Company's main line, not exceeding in
any one case thirty miles in length, as are from time to time
authorized by the Governor-in-Council.

3. The said last mentioned railway shall be commenced Time for
construction
limited.
within two years, and completed within five years after the
30 passing of this Act, otherwise the powers hereby granted for
the construction thereof shall cease and be null and void as
respects so much of it as remains uncompleted at the end of
the said five years.