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An Act to regulate the transit of Grain in Manitoba
and the North-West Territories.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the
Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as
follows:—

1. Every railway company engaging in the transit of grain
5 in the Province of Manitoba and the North-West Territories,
shall, at all points along its line of railway, provide at its own
expense, facilities to receive and ship grain without the inter-
vention of a third party. Railway
companies to
provide faci-
ties for ship-
ment of grain.
2. Where the railway company has not provided such facili-
10 ties for receiving, storing, and shipping grain it shall accord to
any person the right to erect and maintain at such stations,
adjoining the railway track, warehouses to receive, store and
ship grain, or, at the option of the railway company, it shall
15 build and maintain a side track to and for the use and accom-
modation of any warehouse near the station, and no other per-
son keeping any other warehouse or elevator shall be com-
pelled to pay the company or any person keeping any other
warehouse or elevator any sum or compensation for or on
account of the privilege of doing business in it. Or build
sidings to
private ware-
houses.
- 20 3. Every railway company shall at each receiving point
where such facility does not now exist, provide platform ac-
commodation of such height, length, and width, with suitable
approaches, as will allow the producer to ship grain from his
wagon or sleigh, as the case may be; and such platform shall
25 be situated on the side track at each station of the said com-
pany. Platforms.
4. Whenever a railway company doing business in Manitoba
and the North-West Territories is unable, from any reasonable
cause, to furnish cars at any railway station or side track, in
30 accordance with the demands made by all persons demanding
cars at such stations or side tracks for the shipment of grain or
other freight, such cars as are furnished shall be divided as
equally as may be among the applicants until each shipper has
received one car, when the remaining cars shall be divided
35 ratably in proportion to the amount of daily receipts or other
freight, to each shipper or to the amount of grain offered at each
station or side track. If number of
cars is not
sufficient.
5. Every railway company shall, when requested by any
person shipping grain from such warehouses and railway plat-
form, give receipt for grain. Company to
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forms, give a receipt for the number of bushels or pounds of grain delivered to it for transportation, and shall deliver the number of bushels or pounds so receipted for to the consignee thereof, or to the line or lines with which the company connects, or to which it delivers the grain to be forwarded to the point of destination, less the usual loss from transportation, not exceeding forty-five pounds to each car. 5

Penalties. **6.** Every railway company, or the agent of any railway company refusing to give such a receipt to shippers from flat warehouses and railway platforms as herein provided, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars and not less than ten dollars for each offence, which penalty shall be recoverable before any justice of the peace; and any company refusing or neglecting to deliver the amount of grain so receipted for to the consignee thereof, or to the company to which such grain may be delivered to be carried to the point of destination, shall, in addition to the civil liability of such company for loss or shrinkage, except as above provided for, be subject to a penalty of not less than fifty dollars, and not more than one hundred dollars for each such refusal or neglect, which penalty shall be recoverable before any justice of the peace. 10 15 20

Prosecutions. **7.** All prosecutions under this Act shall be carried on in the name of Her Majesty, under the direction of the Attorney General of Canada.