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An Act to incorporate the Quebec
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An Act to incorporate the Quebec and New Brunswick
Railway Company.

WHEREAS a petition has been presented praying 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 advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. Honourable John Costigan, of the city of Ottawa, Arthur M. Déchène, of St. Roch des Aulnaies, Quebec, Thomas Malcolm, of Edmundston, New Brunswick, George Carroll of Rivière du Loup, Hon. D. N. Déchène, of the city of Quebec, Hon. A. Turgeon, of Levis, William Gregcroy of the city of Quebec, George A. Murchie, of Calais, Maine, United States, Augure Bernier, of Edmundston, Thomas Clair, of St. Francis, and Alphonse Bertrand and Thomas James Cochran, of Edmundston, New Brunswick, together with such persons as become shareholders in the company, are hereby incorporated under the name of the "Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company," hereinafter called "the Company."

2. The persons named in section 1 of this Act are hereby constituted provisional directors of the Company.

3. The capital stock of the Company shall be nine hundred thousand dollars and may be called up by the directors from time to time as they deem necessary, but no one call shall exceed ten per cent on the shares subscribed.

4. The head office of the Company shall be in the city of Quebec, or at such other place in Canada as may be determined by law.

5. The annual meeting of the shareholders shall be held on the third Wednesday in September in each year.

6. At such meeting the subscribers for the capital stock assembled, who have paid calls due on their shares, shall choose five persons to be directors of the Company, one or more of whom may be paid directors.

7. The Company may lay out, construct and operate a railway of the gauge of four feet eight and one-half inches from Connor Station on the St. Francis branch of the Temiscouata Railway, in the county of Madawaska, in the Province of New Brunswick, to a point on the Intercolonial Railway at or near

St. Charles Junction, or a point on the Quebec Central Railway at or near St. Anselme, or a point on the Grand Trunk Railway at or near Chaudière Junction in the Province of Quebec, a distance of about one hundred and thirty miles.

Bond issue limited.

8. The Company may issue bonds, debentures or other securities to the extent of twenty thousand dollars per mile of the railway, and such bonds, debentures or other securities may be issued only in proportion to the length of railway constructed or under contract to be constructed. 5

Agreement with another company or Government of Canada.

9. The Company may enter into an agreement with the Temiscouata Railway Company, the Quebec Central Railway Company, the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada or the Government of Canada for conveying or leasing to such company or Government the railway of the Company, in whole or in part, or any rights or powers acquired under this Act, as also the franchises, surveys, plans, works, plant, material, machinery and other property to it belonging, or for an amalgamation with such company on such terms and conditions as are agreed upon, and subject to such restrictions as to the directors seem fit; provided that such agreement has been approved by two-thirds of the votes at a special general meeting of the shareholders duly called for the purpose of considering it,—at which meeting shareholders representing at least two-thirds in value of the stock are present or represented by proxy,—and that such agreement has also received the sanction of the Governor in Council. 10 15 20 25

Approval of shareholders and Governor in Council.

Notice of application for sanction.

2. Such sanction shall not be signified until after notice of the proposed application therefor has been published in the manner and for the time set forth in section 239 of *The Railway Act*, and also for a like period in one newspaper in each of the counties through which the railway of the Company runs, and in which a newspaper is published. 30

Agreement to be filed.

3. A duplicate of the agreement referred to in subsection 1 of this section, shall, within thirty days after its execution, be filed in the office of the Secretary of State of Canada, and notice thereof shall be given by the Company in *The Canada Gazette*, and the production of *The Canada Gazette* containing such notice shall be prima facie evidence of the requirements of this Act having been complied with. 35