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No. 208.

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1st Session, 6th Parliament, 21 Victoria, 1858.

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(PRIVATE BILL.)

**BILL.**

An Act to enable Municipalities holding stock in the London and Port Stanley Railway Company to have increased representation in the direction of the said Company.

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MR. CARLING.

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TORONTO:

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**An Act to enable Municipalities holding stock in the London and Port Stanley Railway Company to have increased representation in the direction of the said Company.**

**W**HEREAS the construction of the London and Port Stanley Railway has been effected principally by means of the stock taken in said Company by the Municipalities of the City of London, the County of Middlesex, the Town of St. Thomas, and the County of Elgin; and whereas it is desirable that Municipalities holding stock in the said Company should be represented in the direction of the Company in proportion to the amount of stock held; Therefore Her Majesty, doth enact as follows:

- I.** So long as two-thirds of the stock in the said Company shall continue to be held by Municipalities, the number of Directors to be chosen annually by the shareholders of the said Company shall be three and not nine, as provided in the special Act of Incorporation; and such three Directors shall be appointed and hold office in the same manner and for the same term as Directors heretofore appointed in the Company.
- II.** So long as the Municipality of the Village of St. Thomas shall continue to hold £7000 or upwards of stock in the said Company, the head of the said Municipality shall, *ex officio*, be one of the Directors of the said Company in addition to the other Directors thereof, and shall have the same rights, powers and duties, as any of the Directors of the Company.
- III.** So long as the Municipality of the County of Elgin shall continue to hold stock to the amount of £20,000 or upwards in the said Company, the head of the said Municipality shall, *ex officio*, be one of the Directors of the said Company, in addition to the other Directors thereof, with the same rights, powers, and duties.
- IV.** So long as the Municipality of the County of Middlesex shall continue to hold stock to the amount of £20,000, or upwards in the said Company, the head of the said Municipality shall, *ex officio*, be one of the Directors thereof, with the same rights, powers, and duties.
- V.** So long as the Municipality of the City of London shall continue to hold stock in the said Company to the amount of £50,000, or upwards, the said Municipality shall be entitled to be represented in the Board of Directors of the said Company by three Directors, the Mayor of the said City for the time being shall be and continue to be,

Preamble.

Number of shareholders, Directors reduced to three.

Reeve of St. Thomas to be a Director.

Warden of Elgin to be a Director.

Warden of Middlesex to be a Director.

Mayor of London to be a Director, with two others appointed by the City Council.

*ex officio*, one of the Directors of said Company, and the other two Directors from said Municipality shall be appointed as hereinafter provided.

Two Directors to be appointed by the City Council. VI. It shall be the duty of the City Council of the City of London, immediately after the passing of this Act, and in each year after this present year, within one month after the Council shall have become duly organised, to appoint two of the members of the said Council other than the Mayor, as Directors of the said Company, who shall continue in office as such Directors during the residue of the term of office of the said members in the said City Council at the time of their appointment and no longer, but may, in case of re-election as members of the Council, be eligible to be appointed as such Directors. 5 10

Appointment of successors of Directors dying or going out of the Council. VII. In case the Directors appointed by virtue of the sixth section, or either of them, shall die during their term of office as such Directors, the City Council may, from among the members of the said Council, appoint their successors, who shall hold office as Directors for the residue of the term of the person succeeded, and the Council may in the same manner appoint a successor to either or both of the Directors appointed by them, should such Directors cease to be members of the said Council from any cause whatever, after their election as such Directors and before the expiration of their term of office. 15 20

As to present Directors. VIII. The Directors now constituting the Board of Direction of the said Company shall continue and hold office as such Directors until the first day of August, 1858.

Election of new Directors by shareholders. IX. It shall be lawful for the shareholders of the said Company, immediately after the passing of this Act, to call a general meeting of the shareholders of the said Company for the purpose of electing three Directors in place of those whose term of office shall cease at the time mentioned in the eighth section. 25

Notice of general meeting for first election, &c. X. Such general meeting shall be held after ten days' notice thereof to be given of the time and place of holding such meeting by the Secretary of the said Company, such notice to be published at least once in some newspaper published in the City of London, and also in some newspaper, if any, published in the *Town* of St. Thomas; and it shall be the duty of the said Secretary to call the said meeting for some day previous to the 15th day of *July next*, and in default thereof the head of any Municipality holding stock in the said Company may call the said meeting. 30 35

Subsequent elections. XI. All subsequent elections of Directors shall be held in the manner provided in the special Act of Incorporation. 40

Inconsistent enactments superseded. XII. This Act shall take effect, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other Act or Acts of the Parliament of this Province.

Public Act. XIII. This Act shall be deemed a public Act.