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No. 85.

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1st Session, 5th Parliament, 18 Victoria, 1854.

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(PRIVATE BILL.)

BILL.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate  
the Vaudreuil Railway Company.

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Second Reading, Monday 9th Oct., 1854.

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Mr. CARTIER.

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QUEBEC:

PRINTED BY JOHN LOVELL, MOUNTAIN STREET.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Vaudreuil Railway Company.

WHEREAS the Vaudreuil Railway Company have prayed that the amendments hereinafter set forth may be made to their Act of Incorporation, and it is expedient to grant their prayer: Be it therefore enacted, &c., as follows:—

Preamble.

5 The corporate name of the Company incorporated by the Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Vaudreuil Railway Company*, shall hereafter be the *Ottawa and Grand Trunk Junction Railway Company*, and the name of the Railway and works the said Company are empowered to construct shall hereafter be the *Ottawa and Grand Trunk Junction Railway*; but such change of name shall not be construed to make the said Company a new Corporation, or in any way to impair or affect the rights of the Company, or those of any other party as regards the Company, or to abate or interrupt any action or proceeding of any kind to which the Company by its former name may have been a party, 15 but the same may be continued by or against the said Company by the name hereby assigned to it, upon suggestion of the passing of this Act, and in all the forms annexed to the said Act, the requisite changes to adapt them to the changes hereby made in the name of the said Company and of their Railway, shall be introduced *mutatis mutandis*.

Corporate name of Company changed, 16 V. c. 134.

Proviso.

20 II. For and notwithstanding anything in the said Act, the Capital of the said Company may be increased to any sum not exceeding one million of pounds sterling, and shall be divided into shares of £25 sterling each, instead of £25 currency, as provided by the said Act, and every subscriber for or holder of a share or shares in the said Company shall here- 25 after be considered and dealt with as the subscriber for or holder of a share or a like number of shares of £25 sterling each, and may be called upon to pay in respect of each such share such sum as, with the sums (if any) already paid thereon, shall amount in the whole to £25 sterling for each share subscribed for or held by him.

Capital of the Company increased to £1,000,000.

30 III. The increase in the capital stock of the said Company may, in the discretion of the Directors, be effected by the issue of new shares, or by borrowing money upon the security of their Railway works and tolls, or in both these ways.

How such increase may be effected.

35 IV. For and notwithstanding anything in the said Act, the line of Railway which the said Company may construct, and to which the powers vested in them by the said Act shall extend, shall be the following:— The said Railway shall be made from some point on the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada, in the Parish of Vaudreuil, in Lower Canada, to, through, or near to the following places, parishes, and townships; that is to 40 say, Vaudreuil, Rigaud, Hawkesbury, L'Original, Alfred, Plantagenet,

Line of the Railway altered and defined.

Clarke, Cumberland, and Gloucester, to some point in the Town of Bytown.

Company may  
may make  
Branch Rail-  
ways.

V. The said Company shall have full power and authority to make a Branch Railway or Branch Railways from any point or points on the main line of their Railway to any point or points not more than miles distant from the said main line ; and to each and every such Branch Railway all the provisions of the said Act incorporating the said Company, including the provisions of the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act incorporated therewith, shall extend and apply as fully as to the Main Line of Railway above mentioned, except that the time for making the survey, map or plan and book of reference with respect to any such Branch Railway, shall be reckoned only from the time when the Directors of the Company shall have passed and published in the *Canada Gazette* a Resolution declaring the intention of the Company to construct such Branch Railway, and describing its location, nor until such resolution be so published, shall the Company be entitled to exercise any of the powers vested in them with respect to such Branch Railway, and the time for completing such Branch Railway shall be reckoned from the same date ; Provided always, that no such Resolution shall be passed or published after the 185 , after which the powers of the Company to construct any Branch Railway with respect to which no such Resolution shall then have been published, shall cease.

Company may  
agree with  
any other  
Company for  
the use of the  
Railway of  
either.

VI. The said Company by the Directors thereof, being hereunto authorized at some special general meeting of the Stockholders of the said Company, shall have full power and authority to enter into any agreement with any other Railway Company with which the Ottawa and Grand Trunk Junction Railway may be connected for the working and using by either Company of the whole or any part of the Railway, works, or rolling stock of the other Company, and such agreement shall be enforced by all Courts of law or equity according to the true intent thereof.

Company may  
unite with  
Grand Trunk  
Railway  
Company.  
16 V. c. 39  
and 76 ex-  
tended.

VII. The said Company, by their Directors, shall have full power and authority to lease or sell and convey their Railway works and rights to the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, or to unite with the Company last named, and all the enactments and provisions of the Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act to empower any Railway Company whose Railway forms part of the Main Trunk Line of Railway throughout this Province, to unite with any other such Company, or to purchase the property and rights of such Company ; and to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned incorporating Railway Companies, and of the Act passed in the same session intituled, An Act to extend the provisions of the Railway Companies Union Act, to Companies whose Railways intersect the Main Trunk Line or touch any place which the said Line also touches, are hereby declared to extend to and to include the said Ottawa and Grand Trunk Junction Railway Company.*

Company may  
hold and  
work Steam  
Vessels, &c.

VIII. It shall be lawful for the said Company to build or purchase, hold, navigate, and work steamers and other vessels and craft for the conveyance of goods and passengers between any point on or within miles of their main Railway or any Branch thereof, to any place not more than miles from some point on the said main Railway or some Branch thereof, and to dispose of such steamers, vessels, or craft, when need shall be, and others to acquire in their stead, and to establish, demand, and take tolls for the conveyance of goods and passengers, or other services performed by or with such steamers, vessels, or craft, to which tolls all the provisions of the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act respecting tolls shall apply.

IX. It shall at any time be lawful for any three or more shareholders holding together not less than one thousand five hundred shares of the stock of the said Company to call a special general meeting of the stockholders thereof, by advertisement in the *Canada Gazette*, and in  
 5 at least times, the last publication thereof being at least *fifteen* days before the day appointed for such special general meeting, and it shall also be lawful for the Directors of the Company to call special general meetings of the stockholders in like manner and with like notice; but such notice shall in either case state the matter or matters  
 10 to be taken into consideration at such meeting, and no other matter shall be considered or dealt with thereat.

X. It shall be lawful for the Directors of the said Company to issue shares for stock, to be subscribed in England or elsewhere, in such amounts respectively, of sterling money, as to such Directors shall from time to time  
 15 seem meet, and to make the dividends thereon payable in sterling money, in England or elsewhere, at such place or places as to such Directors shall seem fit, and to appoint agents of the said Company in England or elsewhere, and to delegate to such agents such powers as to the said Directors shall from time to time seem fit, and to make such regulations as to the  
 20 said Directors shall seem fit as to the issuing of such shares in England or elsewhere, and to the mode, time, and place or places of transfer of such shares, and of paying the dividends thereon, or otherwise, as shall be deemed requisite or beneficial for giving full effect to the powers hereby vested in the said Directors with regard to issuing shares and paying dividends in England or elsewhere.

XI. This Act shall be a Public Act.

Public Act.