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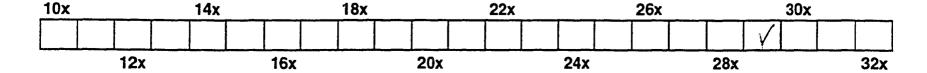
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An Act to incorporate the St. Mary' River Railway and Colonization Company

First reading, March 13, 1900.

(PRIVATE BILL.)

Mr. OLIVER.

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Printed by S. E. Dawson Printer to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty 1900 An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's River Railway and Colonization Company.

WHEREAS a petition has been presented praying that it be Preamble. enacted as hereinafter set forth, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of said petition: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of 5 Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. Elliott T. Galt, Charles A. Magrath and Peter L. Nai-Incorporasmith, of the town of Lethbridge; William M. Ramsay, of the tion. city of Montreal; and Alexander Ferguson of the city of Ottawa; together with such persons as become shareholders in the Company, are hereby incorporated under the name of "The St. Mary's River Railway and Colonization Company," Corporate hereinafter called "the Company."

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

- 2. [The provisional directors may vote and act by proxy, but Proxies. such proxies shall be held by provisional directors only; no provisional director shall hold more than two proxies, and no meeting of provisional directors shall be competent to transact business unless at least two provisional directors are present 20 thereat.]
 - 3. The capital stock of the Company shall be five hundred Capital stock. 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.
- 25 4. The head office of the Company shall be in the town of Head office. Lethbridge, in the North-West Territories
 - 5. The annual meeting of the shareholders shall be held on Annual the third Wednesday in October in each year.
- 6. At such meeting the subscribers for the capital stock Election of 30 assembled, who have paid all 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 Line of railway of [any gauge] from some point between Lethbridge railway 35 and Stirling on the railway of the Alberta Railway and Coal Company, to some point on the international boundary line, between ranges 24 and 30, west of the fourth meridian, in the North-West Territories.

Conversion to standard gauge.

2. In the event of the railway, or any portion thereof, being in the first instance constructed of a gauge of less than four feet eight and one half inches it may be converted by the Company into the standard gauge.

Branch lines.

3. The Company may also lay out, construct and operate any branch lines or extensions that may be necessary from any point on its main line; provided that, except for the purpose of connecting with other railways, none of such branch lines shall exceed fifteen miles in length.

Bond issue limited. securities to the extent of ten thousand dollars per mile of the railway and branches, 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.

Agreement with another company.

3. The Company may enter into an agreement with the 15 Canadian Pacific Railway Company or the Alberta Railway and Coal Company for conveying or leasing to such company 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 20 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 first approved by twothirds of the votes at a special general meeting of the share-25 holders 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.

Approval of shareholders and Governor in Council.

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 electoral districts through which the railway of the Com- 35 pany runs, and in which a newspaper is published.

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Notice of

application

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* 40 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.

Agreement to be filed.