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An Act to incorporate the Alaska and  
North-Western Railway Company.

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Mr. GILLIES.

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An Act to incorporate the Alaska and North-Western  
Railway Company.

**W**HEREAS a petition has been presented praying that it Preamble.  
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  
5 of Commons of Canada, declares and enacts as follows :—

**1.** Jas. J. Gillies, S. Walker Janes, George Campbell, Incorporation.  
Alexander F. Gillies, John Mather, F. Waldo Ames, Geo. P.  
Magann and Geo. P. Brophy, together with such persons as  
become shareholders in the company, are hereby incorporated  
10 under the name of "The Alaska and North-Western Railway Corporate  
Company," hereinafter called "the Company." name.

**2.** The undertaking of the Company is hereby declared to Declaratory.  
be a work for the general advantage of Canada.

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

**4.** The capital stock of the Company shall be ten million Capital stock  
dollars, and may be called up by the directors from time to and calls  
time as they deem necessary, but no one call shall exceed ten thereon.  
per cent on the shares subscribed.

**5.** The head office of the Company shall be in the city of Head office  
20 Ottawa, or in such other place in Canada as the directors from  
time to time determine by by-law.

**6.** The annual meeting of the shareholders shall be held on Annual  
the first Monday in October in each year. meeting.

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

**8.** The Company may lay out, construct and operate a rail- Line of  
30 way of the gauge of [three feet or such other gauge as may be railway  
adopted by the Company, not being less than three feet or described.  
more than] four feet eight and one-half inches, from a point at  
or near Pyramid Harbour near the head of Lynn Canal, or  
from a point at or near the international boundary line near  
35 the Lynn Canal, thence through the Chilkat Pass, and thence  
by way of the Dalton Trail to Fort Selkirk on the Yukon  
River.

- 9.** The Company may, for the purpose of its business :—
- (a)** Construct, acquire and operate wharfs, piers, docks, landing places, hotels, elevators and warehouses, and acquire and navigate steam and other vessels for the transportation of passengers and freight in connection with such railway, tramways, roads and routes upon the waters of the rivers, lakes and streams adjacent to the said railway : 5
- (b)** Construct, acquire and operate telegraph and telephone lines, both in connection with and beyond its railway, to any point in the North-West Territories north of the northern boundary of British Columbia, and may lay submarine lines for telegraph and telephone connections between such points, and undertake the transmission of messages for the public by such lines : 10
- (c)** Acquire and operate mines in British Columbia and the North-West Territories, and exercise mining rights and privileges therein : 15
- (d)** Erect and maintain stores and trading posts, mills and manufactories, and carry on in the province of British Columbia and the North-West Territories the business of general traders, carriers, forwarders, transportation agents, lumberers, millers and manufacturers, and all other business incident thereto, or connected therewith ; and may, for any of the said purposes, acquire lands, buildings, mill sites, mills, water power, timber, timber limits, works, docks, vessels, vehicles, machinery, goods, wares, merchandise and general supplies, and such other property as may be necessary for effectually carrying out the above purposes, and may dispose of or deal in the same ; and generally do all such things as may be necessary or incident to the carrying out and attainment of the above objects : 20 25 30
- (e)** Erect, use and carry on works for the generation, transmission and distribution of electrical power and energy ; and acquire and utilize water and steam power for the purpose of generating electricity for all purposes in connection with its railway, tramways, vessels, mills, manufactories and works, and may dispose of any surplus electricity or other power generated by its works, and not required for operating its railway or other works. 35
- 10.** The powers conferred upon the Company to carry on a navigation and transportation business shall only be exercised by the Company under the supervision of the Governor in Council, and under such regulations as he imposes, and the Governor in Council may grant to other companies the right to use the wharfs and terminals of the Company, and fix the terms, rates and conditions on which they may be so used. 40 45
- 11.** If the Company requires land for wharfs, docks, elevators or landing-places and can not agree for the purchase thereof with the owner of such land, it may cause a map or plan and book of reference to be made of such land, and all the provisions of sections 107 to 111, both inclusive, of *The Railway Act* shall apply to the subject-matter of this section, and to the obtaining of such land and determining the compensation therefor. 50

**12.** The Company may issue bonds, debentures or other securities to the extent of thirty-five thousand dollars per mile of its 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.

Bond issue limited.

**13.** The railway hereby authorized shall be commenced within two years, and completed and put in operation within four years from the passing of this Act.

Time for construction of railway limited.

**14.** Subject to the provisions of this Act *The Companies Clauses Act*, except sections 7, 18 and 39 thereof, shall apply to the Company.

R.S.C., c. 118.