

CHAPTER 86.

An Act to Amend the "North Star and Arrow Lake 1898, c. 58. Railway Act, 1898."

[27th February, 1899.]

FER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:-

- 1. Section 40 of the "North Star and Arrow Lake Railway Act, Re-enacts s. 40. 1898," is hereby repealed, and the following section substituted in lieu thereof:---
- "40. The Company shall, on or before the first day of May, 1899, Deposit to secure deposit with the Minister of Finance and Agriculture the sum of \$10,000 before 1st \$5,000, either in cash or securities approved by said Minister, as August, 1900. security that the Company will expend not less than \$10,000 in surveys or construction of the railway hereby authorised to be built, before the first day of August, 1900, and in default of such expenditure the aforesaid deposit of money or securities shall be forfeited to and become the property of the Government; and should such security not be deposited as aforesaid, all the rights and privileges conferred by this Act shall be null and void."

2. The Schedule to the said Act is hereby amended by adding Schedule amended. thereto the following as a third section thereof:—

"THIRD SECTION.

- "A railway from a point at or near Fort Steele on the line of railway mentioned in the first section of this Schedule, by the most feasible route to a point at or near Golden."
- 3. All the powers, rights and privileges granted and conferred by Ratification of the said Act are hereby revived, ratified and confirmed to the said powers, etc., of Company. Company.

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Transportation of Government employees.

4. The Company shall be bound to carry over its line of railway, without charge, all persons whose transportation would otherwise be a charge against the Government of the Province, and also all Members of the Legislature.

Chinese or Japanese not to be employed.

5. No Chinese or Japanese persons shall be employed in the construction of the undertaking or the working of the railway.

Effect of preceding two sections.

6. The preceding two sections are hereby declared to be conditions upon which this Act is passed, and shall be binding upon bondholders and all other persons in any way interested in the said Company or its property. In case either of said preceding two sections are violated, such violation shall work a forfeiture of all powers and privileges granted by this Act, but no such forfeiture shall operate except upon proceedings instituted in the Supreme Court of British Columbia by the Attorney-General.

Effect of declaration that work for general advantage of Canada.

7. In case at any time the said railway is declared by the Parliament of Canada to be a work for the general advantage of Canada, then all powers and privileges granted by this Act or by the "British Columbia Railway Act" shall thereupon cease and determine.

Amends s. 15. Undertaking divided into three sections.

8. Section 15 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "two" in line six, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "three."

Amends s. 38.

9. Section 38 of the said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "section" at the end thereof, and by adding thereto the words "or third sections, and provided if either the second or third section shall be completed within five years from the passage of this Act, the Company shall have two years longer in which to complete the said second or third sections, as the case may be."

Repeals s. 39 (Chinese or Japanese employment clause). Short title.

- 10. Section 39 of said Act is hereby repealed.
- 11. This Act may be cited as the "North Star and Arrow Lake Railway Amendment Act, 1899."

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