



CHAPTER 59.

An Act to Incorporate the Sumas Reclamation Company.

[23rd April, 1892.]

WHEREAS considerable tracts of land under and adjacent to Sumas Preamble.
Lake, in the District of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia, and other lands in the immediate vicinity thereof, more particularly set out in the Schedule to this Act, are lying in a state of comparative unproductiveness for want of dyking, draining and reclaiming :

And whereas a petition has been presented by Cuyler A. Holland, of the City of Victoria, Director of the British Columbia Land and Investment Agency, Limited; Henry Slye Mason, of the said city, barrister-at-law; and John A. Lumsden, of Sumas, farmer; and Frank A. Lumsden, of Sumas, farmer, requesting to be empowered to dyke, drain and reclaim the said lands:

And whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition:

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:—

1. Cuyler A. Holland, Henry Slye Mason, John A. Lumsden, and Frank A. Lumsden, together with such other persons, firms and corporations as shall in pursuance hereof become shareholders of the Company hereby incorporated, are hereby constituted and appointed a body corporate and politic, under the name of the "Sumas Reclamation Company, Limited," hereinafter called "the Company." Incorporation.

2. Wherever the words following occur in this Act, they shall be construed to mean as follows, unless the contrary intention appears:— Interpretation.

(a.) "Owner" shall extend to and include every person having any estate or interest, legal or equitable, in any lands to be affected by this Act :

“Occupier.”

(b.) “Occupier” shall mean pre-emptor, homesteader, lessee or licensee from the Crown.

Provisional Directors.

3. The persons mentioned in section one of this Act shall be and are hereby constituted provisional directors of the Company, of whom a majority shall form a quorum, and they shall hold office until the first election of directors under this Act, and are to have the power of opening books and obtaining and recording subscriptions of stock, on the books of the Company, and to receive moneys and other securities in payment to the Company, for stock of the Company, and to cause plans and surveys to be made or adopt and acquire plans existing, and in carrying out of the objects and undertaking of the Company to receive for the Company any grant, loan, bonus or gift made to it in aid of the same, and with power to enter into any agreement, for the Company, respecting the condition of acceptance of or disposition of any gift, bonus, guarantee or other assistance to the Company ; all moneys so received to be deposited in a chartered Bank having an office in the Province of British Columbia, and such moneys may be withdrawn by them for the purposes of the Company.

Head office.

4. The head office of the Company shall be at the City of Victoria, aforesaid. The capital stock of the Company shall be five hundred thousand dollars, divided into five thousand shares of one hundred dollars each, the money to be derived therefrom to be devoted to the purposes of the undertaking of the Company ; provided, however, that out of the moneys first received shall be paid the fees, expenses and disbursements incidental to the passing of this Act and the organization of the Company.

Directors may apportion stock.

5. The provisional or elected directors of the Company may, in case more than the whole stock shall have been subscribed, allocate and apportion it amongst the subscribers, as they shall deem most advantageous and conducive to the furtherance of the undertaking, with power to exclude any one or more of the said subscribers therefrom, if it be deemed in the best interests of the Company.

Allotment of stock.

6. The directors may allot the stock as by the by-laws of the Company is provided.

General meeting to be called.

7. The provisional directors shall within three months after this Act comes into operation call a general meeting of the shareholders of the Company, at the City of Victoria, for the purpose of electing directors of the Company, giving at least two weeks' notice thereof in the British Columbia Gazette, and in one of the daily newspapers published at the City of New Westminster, of the time, place and purpose of such meeting.

Qualification of Director.

8. In the election of directors under this Act, no person shall be eligible or be elected a director unless he is the holder and owner of at

least ten shares of stock of the Company, upon which all calls have been paid.

9. The directors are empowered to make and prescribe all such By-laws. necessary by-laws for the due carrying on of the undertaking of the Company, and such as to them may appear needful and proper, and generally for the transaction and management of the affairs and business of the Company, and carrying into effect the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred or imposed on the Company, its shareholders and directors, by this Act.

10. No shareholder of the Company shall in any manner be charged on account of any liability of the Company beyond his or her subscribed share in the capital stock of the Company. Liability of shareholders limited.

11. The Company shall have power and authority :—

Powers of Company.

- (1.) To enter from time to time and at all times hereafter into and upon the lands of Her Majesty without previous license therefor, or into or upon the lands of any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, mentioned in the said Schedule, and to survey, set out and ascertain such parts thereof as it may require for the purposes of dyking, draining or reclaiming, or all or any of them :
- (2.) To widen, straighten, deepen, divert, dam, scour or cleanse any river, stream, drain, brook, pool, lake or water-course, upon or running through such lands, and to make, open and cut in or upon the same, any new water-course, side-cut, ditch or drain, and at any time to repair, alter or remove any bank, sluice, flood-gate, dam, tunnel, or other part of the undertaking :
- (3.) To make, erect and construct dykes, banks, sluices, flood-gates, wharves, landing-places, piers, drains, buildings, and erections, and all other works requisite or necessary for dyking, draining and reclaiming such lands, and to construct and make upon any such lands any embankment or dyke against any river, stream or water-course, and execute all such works as may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of dyking, draining or reclaiming the said lands, and to enter upon any of the said lands, and dig materials, sand, stone, and cut timber, and cut drains, making compensation to all persons for any damage occasioned to them by the exercise of any such powers, the amount thereof in case of dispute to be determined by arbitration as hereinafter mentioned :
- (4.) To contract with the owners of the said lands, or with the Commissioners of any district appointed and acting in pursuance of the "Drainage, Dyking and Irrigation Act," for the construction of ditches, flumes, flood-gates, breakwaters, dykes, weirs and

drains, and contract with those having an interest or right in any such river, stream, drain, brook, pool or water-course, for the purchase thereof, or of any part thereof, or of any privilege that may be required for the purposes of dyking, draining and reclaiming the said lands, or either or any of the said purposes, and for the right to take all timber, stone, sand, gravel and materials for the same or adjacent lands for the use and construction of the said dyking, drainage and reclamation works :

- (5.) The Company shall, subject to the provisions hereinafter provided, have full power and authority to stop up and divert the waters known as the Vedder Creek by changing the course of the waters of said Vedder Creek (as at present flowing) into that of the channel of the Luck-a-kuk River, emptying into the Fraser River, the said Vedder Creek and Luck-a-kuk River being in the Municipality of Chilliwack, and running through a portion of the land set forth in the Schedule to this Act ; and in the carrying out of the said power shall be entitled to make and construct all such dams, weirs, raceways, dykes, or other necessary works to fully complete the undertaking as aforesaid ; provided, that in the carrying on of the said work the course of the Luck-a-kuk is to be straightened, in so far as is practicable and advisable, to the full end and purpose that the waters of the said Vedder Creek be permanently turned into the channel of the said Luck-a-kuk River :
- (6.) All the powers hereinbefore given shall be construed so as to enable the Company to drain Sumas Lake :
- (7.) To receive, hold, take and acquire all voluntary grants and donations of land or other property made to it, and to purchase, hold, take, and acquire of and from any corporation, person or persons, any land or other property, and to mortgage, sell, lease, or otherwise alienate and dispose of such land or other property, or any part thereof :
- (8.) To borrow upon security of the charges against the lands benefited by the works of the Company and made payable under this Act from time to time, either in this Province or elsewhere, such sums of money as they may deem expedient, and to make the bonds, debentures or other securities granted for the sums so borrowed payable either in currency or in sterling, and at such place or places within this Province, or without, as may be deemed advisable, and to sell the same at such prices or discount as may be deemed expedient or be necessary, and to hypothecate, mortgage, or pledge their lands, revenues, undertaking and other property for the due payment of the said sums and the interest thereon, but no such debenture shall be for a less sum than one hundred dollars.

12. In case of disagreement between the Company and the owners or occupiers of the said lands required to be expropriated by the Company for the lines of dyke respecting the amount of purchase money or value thereof or as to the damages such expropriation shall cause to them or otherwise, the same shall be decided by three arbitrators to be appointed as hereinafter mentioned, namely: the Company shall appoint one, and the owner or owners, occupier or occupiers, shall appoint another, and such two arbitrators shall within ten days after their appointment, appoint a third arbitrator; but in the event of such two arbitrators not appointing a third arbitrator within the time aforesaid, one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of British Columbia shall, upon application by either party, appoint such arbitrator; and in case such owner or occupier shall be an infant, married woman, or insane, or absent from the Province, or shall refuse to appoint an arbitrator in his behalf, then it shall be the duty of one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, on application being made to him by the Company, to nominate and appoint three disinterested persons as arbitrators.

Arbitration in case of disputes.

13. The arbitrators to be appointed as hereinbefore mentioned shall forward, determine, adjudge and order the respective sums of money which the Company shall pay to the respective persons entitled to receive the same, and the award of the majority of such arbitrators shall be final.

Award to be final.

14. The Company shall within one year after the passage of this Act, deposit in the Land Registry Office at New Westminster a map or plan of the several lands affected, or proposed to be affected, by this Act, and specifications of the work proposed to be done, also a book of reference, which map or plan and book of reference shall show:—

Maps, etc., to be deposited.

- (a.) The lines of the proposed dykes and the lands required to be expropriated therefor:
- (b.) All lands in said townships subject to overflow from the Fraser River at high water, and which the works authorized by this Act are intended to protect from such overflow, and such of said lands as are prairie lands, and such as are timber and brush lands:
- (c.) The names of the owners and occupiers of all lands to be benefited, as nearly as can be ascertained, together with descriptions of their lands, showing what portions thereof are prairie lands and what portions timber and brush lands, and such portions of the lands as are liable to assessment under this Act:
- (d.) Everything necessary for a right understanding of said map or plan and book of reference, and for ascertaining the several lands to be assessed, and the several amounts to be paid by the said owners and occupiers affected by this Act.

Map, etc., to be approved by engineer, and effect of same when deposited.

And such map or plan and book of reference and specifications shall be prepared by an engineer or surveyor appointed by the Company, and shall be approved of by an engineer appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council ; and such map or plan and book of reference, when deposited, shall be a charge on the lands therein specified, not being Crown lands, to the extent of the sums due and payable hereunder by each lot or section or portion thereof, but subject to all other charges and encumbrances which shall at the time of the passage of this Act be existent, and shall be registered against the said lands within three months thereafter ; and no fee shall be charged for registering the same ; and notice of such deposit, with a short description of the lands affected thereby, giving the time after which the works shall be commenced, shall be published in two consecutive issues of the British Columbia Gazette, and for two weeks in at least one newspaper published in the District of New Westminster, and by a copy of such notice being posted on all school-houses and post-offices within the district affected.

In ascertaining whether any particular piece of land is now liable to overflow, the height to which the water reached in the summer of the year 1882 shall be the criterion : Provided, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is hereby empowered from time to time to extend the time for depositing the map or plan, specifications and book of reference, of any part of the proposed undertakings, upon being satisfied of the intention of the Company to proceed with the work for which it may ask such extension within a reasonable time.

Notice to persons affected.

15. The deposit of the plan with specifications, and the aforesaid notice of the filing thereof, shall be sufficient notice for all purposes to all persons affected by this Act and of the lands to be so affected, and that the sums payable by or under this Act are chargeable against such lands.

Arbitration if owner deems his lands improperly charged.

16. If any owner or occupier shall deem his lands improperly charged, he may within six weeks from the date of the first insertion of such advertisement notify the Company, in writing, stating fully in what respect his lands are improperly charged, and naming an arbitrator to act for him, whereupon the Company shall appoint an arbitrator in their behalf, and an arbitration shall be had and carried out in the same manner as is provided for in sections twelve and thirteen of this Act, such arbitrators, along with the third arbitrator to be appointed as in section twelve is provided, to determine whether the same have or have not been improperly charged, either in whole or in part, under the provisions of this Act, and the decision of the majority of such arbitrators shall be final, and such decision shall be in writing and be deposited in the said Land Registry Office by the

arbitrators, and shall thereupon be deemed to be incorporated with the plan and specifications already deposited, which shall thereupon be varied and amended in conformity therewith.

17. The fees payable to such arbitrators as aforesaid shall not exceed the fees to which arbitrators are entitled under the Act respecting arbitrators, and shall be payable by the Company, or the party complaining, as the said majority of the arbitrators may direct, and be recoverable against the Company, or the party or parties ordered to pay the same by the arbitrators, in any Court of competent jurisdiction, as an ordinary debt at the suit of the party or parties or corporation in whose favour the order is made Fees to arbitrators.

18. Alterations may be made in the plans and specifications as filed by the Company, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and notice thereof is to be given, in like manner and for such time as hereinbefore provided, of such alterations to plan and specifications filed, and all parties shall have the right to complain within the same time and have questions determined as hereinbefore provided. Alterations to plans.

19. The works carried on by the Company are to be constructed in a substantial and durable manner, and the height of the said dyke to be two feet higher than the high water of 1882, and are to be under the direction of a Civil Engineer, and the Commissioners of the district wherein the lands are situated, for the benefit of which such works are prosecuted, appointed under the provisions of the "Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation Act," may at their expense, or a majority of the owners or occupiers of the lands to be benefitted by the works, may, if there be no Commissioners appointed, nominate a competent Engineer to supervise the said works when under construction; and in case of a disagreement of opinion in the method of construction between the said Engineers, the said Engineers may choose a third, whose decision shall in all cases of disagreement be final. The fees for the services of the third Engineer, when called in as provided, to be borne equally by the said Commissioners, or owners or occupiers of the said lands, and the Company. How works to be constructed, etc.

20. The works of the Company undertaken and carried out under this Act shall be deemed well and properly constructed immediately upon a plan being filed at the Land Registry Office at New Westminster, showing the works constructed and the lands benefitted and chargeable therefor, coloured red, having thereon the signature of the Engineer of the Company, with a certificate of the said Engineer to the effect that the said works are well and sufficiently constructed for the purposes for which same are intended, and shall also have the When works to be deemed properly constructed.

signature of approval thereof of the Engineer nominated by the Commissioners, or owners, or occupiers of the lands, should such an Engineer have been nominated, and in case of such nomination having been made and there was failure to agree, the signature of the Engineer chosen by the two shall be set to the said plan as signifying his approval thereof, and thereupon the Company shall be relieved from further responsibility in connection with the said works, and thereafter the said works shall be maintained and kept in repair as works chargeable upon the lands benefitted, and as works of a like description may be carried on and maintained and kept in repair under the provisions contained in the "Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation Act," to the end that the said works be permanently maintained as public improvements; provided, however, that the Company shall maintain and keep in repair all the dykes and flood-gates during a period of three years after the completion and acceptance of said works as aforesaid.

Payments by owners
of lands to be re-
claimed.

21. In consideration that the Company shall well and effectually dyke and reclaim such lands as are shown on and set forth on said plans, the owners or occupiers of such lands now subject to overflow from the Fraser River, and within the line of proposed dykes, as to all prairie lands, shall pay to the Company the sum of seven dollars and fifty cents per acre, and as to all timber, brush, and other lands so dyked and reclaimed by the said works, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per acre, which said several sums shall be payable by two equal instalments as hereinafter mentioned, and shall be a charge on the said lands shown in the said plan as aforesaid, and that in preference to and with priority over all incumbrances, except those payable to the Crown, on such land, and those existent at the time of the passage of this Act, and registered within three months after the passage of this Act; and the said respective instalments and the interest respectively shall be payable by the person or persons who for the time being, or when any such instalment shall fall due, shall be the owner or owners, or occupier or occupiers of the said lands respectively. Save that the amounts set forth and chargeable per acre herein shall not affect the work authorized to be done under subsection (5) of section 11 of this Act, which amount shall be determined as hereinafter provided.

Company to erect
works to prevent
Luck-a-kuk from
overflowing certain
lands.

22. Before turning the waters of the river now known as Vedder Creek, into the Luck-a-kuk, the Company in carrying out the works authorized to be done by sub-section (5) of section 11 of this Act, shall make, erect, and build all such works or things as, in the opinion of their Engineer appointed in that behalf, shall be necessary to secure the following lands, and every portion of said lands, viz.: Sections twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), twenty-three (23), twenty-

four (24), and twenty-five (25) of Township twenty-three; Sections seven (7), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), and thirty (30), and the west halves of sections seventeen (17) and twenty (20), respectively, in Township twenty-six (26), from any damage resulting from such diversion, whether such damage shall be caused by the washing away of the banks, or by overflowing of banks, or by the backing up of water on the said lands, or by any of the said causes. The plans and specifications for the said works and things shall be referred to and be subject to the approval of an Engineer nominated by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, should a majority of the owners of the lands mentioned in this section request the appointment of such Engineer; and the cost of such reference shall be borne by the persons making such request. And the Company shall maintain the said works for a period of three years after the filing of the plan mentioned in section 20, so as to protect, during the erection thereof and for the said period of three years after the same shall have been completed as aforesaid, the said lands above mentioned from such damages. And the Company shall, and this Act is passed on the express understanding that the Company will, indemnify the owners or occupiers of the said lands mentioned, for all or any damages sustained or suffered during the periods above mentioned by them or any of them from any of the causes aforesaid. The true intent and meaning of this section being that the Company shall build and erect, and for the said period of three years mentioned maintain, at its own expense, all works necessary to prevent the said Luck-a-kuk from overflowing its banks, or washing away, or backing up on the said lands mentioned, and that in the event of the owner or occupier of the said lands suffering or being occasioned any damages from any of the above causes, then the Company will indemnify and make good to the owners or occupiers so damaged as aforesaid, all damages occasioned to him or them.

23. After the expiration of the period of three years hereinbefore mentioned, three Commissioners shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to keep the channel of the Luck-a-kuk clear, and also to keep in repair the works necessary for the protection of the said lands in that section mentioned, so as to cover all the works erected by the Company on the Luck-a-kuk River.

Commissioners to keep Luck-a-kuk clear and works in repair.

24. The Commissioners shall be appointed as follows: The owners of the said lands mentioned in the twenty-third section shall appoint one, and the owners of the land mentioned in the said map or plan and book of reference subject to overflow from the Fraser River, and which are below the level of the high water of 1882, and are protected from overflow of the Fraser River by the dykage works provided for by this Act, shall appoint a second, and the two Commissioners so

Appointment of Commissioners.

appointed shall appoint a third; and in case such two Commissioners cannot agree upon a third Commissioner, then the question of such appointment shall be referred to a Judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, who shall, upon application, appoint such third Commissioner.

They may enter into contracts for keeping works in repair, and may assess lands for expenses.

25. The Commissioners may enter into contracts and do all things necessary for keeping the works on the Luck-a-kuk in repair, so as to protect the lands mentioned in section 22 from being overflowed or washed away, and may, in the manner hereinafter mentioned, assess the owners or occupiers of the lands for any expenses incurred by the Commissioners in so doing; and in making such assessment the Commissioners shall assess one-third against the lands mentioned in the twenty-second section of this Act at an equal rate per acre, and two-thirds against the lands mentioned in sub-section (b.) of section 14 of this Act at an equal rate per acre.

Recovery of assessments.

26. The assessments and rates in section twenty-five provided for may be recovered by and in the name of the Commissioners, with costs, as if the same were private debts; and the production of the resolution of the Commissioners fixing the assessment shall be sufficient proof of the assessment having been made, and of the liability of the owner or occupier of the land in question to pay the same, and no rate or assessment shall be subject to any set-off of a private nature, or be connected with any private claim on the part of the plaintiffs.

Commissioners may make rules for securing maintenance of work.

(a.) And it shall be lawful for the Commissioners aforesaid to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for prescribing the mode in which the assessments shall be levied, and generally for all such other things as may be necessary for securing the maintenance of the said work on the Luck-a-kuk.

Instalments, when due.

27. Upon the filing of the plan in the twentieth section of this Act set forth, the lands benefitted and charged thereby, and by the filing of the plan in the fourteenth section of this Act set forth, shall be deemed to be well and effectually dyked and reclaimed; and the first instalment charged upon such lands shall become due and payable at the expiration of five years, and the second instalment at the expiration of ten years from the date of the filing of the plan provided to be filed in pursuance of section twenty of this Act, the first and second instalments carrying interest respectively at the rate of seven per centum per annum; such interest to begin to be payable from date of completion of the work, and payments to be made on the first day of January in each and every year, and such instalments to be levied as herein provided:

- (1.) Provided that any owner shall be at liberty at any time to pay the instalments due on his land in one payment, and all interest shall thereupon cease :
- (2.) Provided, further, that no such instalment shall become due, nor shall interest accrue on any assessment on land which is covered by back-water during the time the gates are closed, until such time as such back-water is removed by the Company; and such lands, when such back water is removed, shall be liable to such further assessment as will be a fair proportion, in the opinion of the Commissioners, of the total cost of removing such back-water.

28. The said instalment or instalments and interest due and payable in respect of any lands or portion thereof benefitted and chargeable as aforesaid may be recovered, with costs, as a debt due to the Company, in any Court of competent jurisdiction, by action against the person or persons or corporation who for the time being, or on the first day of January in any year after such charge has occurred, shall be the owner or owners, or occupier or occupiers, of the said several sections or lots of land respectively, and payment thereof may be enforced in the same manner as debts in judgment are now enforceable.

Recovery of instalments.

29. Whenever any instalment against any land has been in arrear for the space of twelve months after same becomes due, the land may be sold for all arrears and interest due, and the Company are to make out a list of arrears with amount due against the lands; and such list, and a notice that the lands therein specified in same will be sold, is to be published in the British Columbia Gazette and in one or more newspapers published in the neighbourhood where said lands are, or in a newspaper published in the City of New Westminster, in case no newspaper be published in the neighbourhood, and by a copy of such notice being posted up in the school-house and post office nearest to the lands affected, such sale to not take place until thirty days after publication of list; and the time is to be stated in said notice; and said notice shall be to the effect that unless the arrears are sooner paid, the Sheriff will proceed to sell the said lands.

Sale of lands for arrears and interest.

30. The Sheriff for the County of New Westminster shall conduct said sale, and his commission shall be two and one-half per cent., and the sale may be adjourned from time to time; such sale to be by public auction, and no specific description need be stated of lands sold, and only so much of the lands shall be sold as is necessary for the payment of arrears due and the costs of sale; the owner of lands sold may redeem the same upon payment to the Sheriff of the full amount due, together with the expenses of the sale and twelve per centum per annum interest thereon, within one year after such sale. The Sheriff,

Sheriff for New Westminster to conduct sale, etc.

after selling any lands for arrears, interest, and costs, shall issue a certificate to the purchaser showing what lands sold, stating the area of same, and the amount sold for, and that a deed will be executed by him to the purchaser or his assigns of the said lands at the expiration of one year from the date of certificate, unless the land be previously redeemed, and if redeemed, that the money paid will be returned to the purchaser, with twelve per centum per annum interest added thereto.

Conveyance by
Sheriff.

31. The deed executed by the Sheriff shall be a conveyance by the Sheriff, and shall state the date and cause of sale and cite this Act, and shall describe the lands, and shall have the effect of vesting the lands in the purchaser, his heirs and assigns or his legal representatives, in fee simple or otherwise, according to the nature of the estate or interest sold.

Registration of con-
veyance.

32. The Registrar-General of Titles, upon production of the deed and application in the usual form, shall register the same in the usual manner.

Record of sales to be
kept.

33. The Sheriff shall keep a record of all sales made by him in pursuance of the powers conferred and duty cast upon him by this Act, for the inspection of the public, upon payment of a fee of twenty-five cents for each parcel of land searched.

When conveyance to
be evidence of an
indefeasible title.

34. Whenever lands shall be sold for arrears of instalments due and payable under this Act, and the Sheriff shall have given a deed for the same, such deed shall be to all intents and purposes evidence of an indefeasible title in the lands, except as against the Crown, if the same has not been set aside or cancelled by some Court of competent jurisdiction within two years from the date of the sale thereof.

Commencement and
completion of works.

35. The Company shall commence actual construction within six months, and vigorously carry on the works to completion, and complete the works authorized by this Act within two years after the passing or coming into operation of this Act (except so far as relates to draining Sumas Lake).

Security to be given
by Company.

36. The Company shall, within three months after passage of this Act, deposit to the order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council the sum of five thousand dollars, or give bonds in that amount satisfactory to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, as security that they will commence the work within six months after the passing of this Act, and vigorously carry on the works to completion, such deposit (if made) to be refunded to them, and such bonds (if given) to be discharged, on their satisfying the Lieutenant-Governor in Council that the said work has been so commenced within the said time. If such work has not

been so commenced within such time, the above-mentioned sum of five thousand dollars shall be forfeited and become part of the Consolidated Revenue of the Province.

37. This Act may be cited as the “Sumas Dyking and Drainage Short title. Act, 1892.”

SCHEDULE.

Townships 16, 19, 20, 22, 23, and 26, in New Westminster District,
in the Province of British Columbia.

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