



## CHAPTER 76.

An Act to amend the “Victoria, Vancouver and Westminster Railway Company Act, 1894.” 1894, c. 64.

[8th May, 1897.]

**W**HEREAS a petition has been presented by the Victoria, Vancouver and Westminster Railway Company praying for an Act to revive and to amend, as hereinafter set forth, the Act incorporating the said Company, by extending the time for the commencement and completion of the undertaking authorised by the said Act: Preamble.

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.** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Act incorporating the “Victoria, Vancouver and Westminster Railway Company,” being the Act passed in the fifty-seventh year of Her Majesty’s reign, chapter 64, is hereby revived and declared to be in force.

**2.** Section 23 of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following section substituted in lieu thereof:— Re-enacts s. 23.

“23. The Company shall commence the construction of the said railway on or before the first day of March, 1898, and complete the same within two years from such date.” Time of commencement and completion.

**3.** All the powers, rights and privileges referred to in the “Victoria, Vancouver and Westminster Railway Company Act, 1894” (subject to the restrictions therein contained, save as amended by this Act), are hereby declared to be and to have been lawfully exercisable by the said Company, which is hereby declared to be and to have been, since Validation and declaration of rights, franchises, etc.

the 11th day of April, 1894, a body corporate and politic under the name of the "Victoria, Vancouver and Westminster Railway Company."

Wires under-  
ground.

4. No Act of this Legislature requiring the Company in case efficient means are devised for carrying telegraph or telephone wires underground, to adopt such means, and abrogating the right given by this Act to continue carrying lines on poles through cities, towns, or incorporated villages, shall be deemed an infringement of the privileges granted by this Act.

Short title.

5. This Act may be cited as the "Victoria, Vancouver and Westminster Railway Act Amendment Act, 1897."

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