



CHAPTER 54.

An Act to amend the “Delta, New Westminster, and Eastern Railway Company Act, 1894.”

[8th May, 1897.]

WHEREAS a petition has been presented by the Delta, New Westminster, and Eastern 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:

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 Delta, New Westminster and Eastern Railway Company, being the Act passed in the fifty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, chapter 57, is hereby revived and declared to be in force. Revives 1894, c. 57.

2. Sub-section (a) of section 13 of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following section substituted in lieu thereof :— Re-enacts s. 13.

“(a.) The Company may, for the purposes of construction, divide the undertaking into two sections or divisions, as shewn in the Schedule hereto, and such sections shall be respectively known as the Delta and Eastern Sections. The Company shall complete and equip the Delta Section on or before the first day of January, 1899, and the Eastern Section on or before the first day of July, 1900, nevertheless failure to complete either of the said sections within the time limited for the completion of the same respectively shall not prejudice the rights, powers or

Division of construction into two sections, and time of completion thereof.

privileges of the Company in respect of such part or parts (if any) of the section or sections as to which such failure shall be made as shall, at the expiration of such limited time, be made and completed, or in respect of any section or sections as to which the period so limited for the completion thereof shall not have determined."

Validation of rights,
&c., since 11th April,
1894.

3. All the powers, rights and privileges referred to in the "Delta, New Westminster and Eastern 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 the eleventh day of April, 1894, a body corporate and politic, under the name of the "Delta, New Westminster and Eastern Railway Company."

Wires underground.

4. No Act of this Legislature requiring the Company, in case efficient means are devised for carrying telegraph or telephone wires under ground 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 "Delta, New Westminster and Eastern Railway Act Amendment Act, 1897."

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