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An Act to incorporate the Quebec & Atlantic Railway Company

[Assented to 9th February, 1918]

WHEREAS, by their petition, the persons hereinafter Preamble.
named have represented that it is in the interest of
the Province that a railway be built and operated as here-
inafter described, and whereas it is expedient to grant the
said prayer;

Therefore His Majesty, with the advice and consent
of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly
of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Henri Lavigueur, merchant and mayor of the city of Company
Quebec; Napoelon Drouin, merchant; Arthur Picard, mer- incorporat-
chant; L. Harry Gaudry, merchant; and Pierre Joseph Côté, ed.
merchant, all of the city of Quebec, together with such per-
sons as may become shareholders in the company, are
incorporated under the name of "The Quebec & Atlantic Name.
Railway Company," hereinafter called "the company".

2. 1. The persons named in section 1 of this act shall be Provisional
the first or provisional directors of the company, and they directors.
shall hold their meetings at the city of Quebec, at such
times as they determine, and the notice of such meetings
shall be signed by the provisional directors calling the
same.

2. Every notice calling a meeting of the provisional Notices of
directors, directors or shareholders shall state the date and meetings.
place of holding such meeting, and shall be mailed by regis-
tered letter to the address of each of the other provisional
directors, directors or shareholders, as the case may be,
not less than ten days previous to the date of such meeting,
and the mailing of such letter shall be sufficient notice of
such meeting.

3. The directors and provisional directors may act Minimum
notwithstanding any vacancy in their number; provided number of
that, if the number falls below three, they shall not,—except directors
for the purpose of filling vacancies,—have power to act so who may
long as the number is below the said minimum. A majority act.
of the provisional directors shall be a quorum.

4. The provisional directors may forthwith open stock Stock sub-
books, and procure subscriptions of stock for the under- scription.
taking, and receive payments on account of stock subscrib-
ed, and carry on the business of the company.

Capital
stock.

3. The capital stock of the company shall be one million dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Head office.

4. The head office of the company shall be at the city of Quebec.

First
general
meeting of
share-
holders.

5. At any time after the passing of this act the provisional directors or any three of them may call a general meeting of the shareholders of the company, to be held in the city of Quebec, at such time as they determine, for the purpose of passing or confirming the by-laws of the company, of electing directors and of considering and determining upon any other business specified in the notice calling such meeting.

Authoriza-
tion to con-
struct and
operate
railway line.

6. The company may lay out, construct and operate by steam or electricity a railway of a gauge of four feet and eight and a half inches, from a point at or near the city of Quebec, to a point at or near the town of Chicoutimi, and from Chicoutimi to the boundary of the Province at a point nearest Cape St. Charles on the coast of Labrador, by the most direct and practical route; the company may also build and operate branch lines to the north and south of the main road, and also connect, within the Province of Quebec, with the National Transcontinental Railway.

Neither the railway nor any of its branch lines shall enter upon or cross the territory known as the Laurentide National Park, without the permission of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Powers.

7. The company may, throughout the counties of Quebec, Montmorency, Charlevoix, Saguenay, Chicoutimi and Lake St. John, and the territory known as New Quebec:

Lumberers,
&c.

a. Carry on the business of lumberers, timber merchants and manufacturers of timber and lumber in all its branches, and all other business incident thereto or connected therewith;

Pulpwood,
&c.

b. Carry on the business, in all its branches, of manufacturing pulp-wood, pulp, paper and all other business incident thereto; and also the business of manufacturing and burning of bricks, tiles, drain-pipes, terra cotta and other materials from clay; and also the business of general merchants and general contractors; and also the business of general manufacturers, millers, wharfingers, warehousemen; and may, for the purposes of its undertaking, construct, charter, acquire and navigate steam and other

vessels between any port and place in Canada, and any other port or place in Canada or elsewhere;

c. Subject to the consent of any municipality in which the company seeks to exercise the powers conferred by this paragraph, produce, manufacture, supply and dispose of gas and electricity for the purpose of light, heat and motive power and any other purposes for which they may be used, and construct, maintain and operate works, poles and all other appliances necessary or useful for the production, sale and distribution of electricity and pneumatic power for the purpose of light, heat and power; and conduct, store, sell and supply electricity and pneumatic power; and with such pneumatic, electric or other conductors or devices, conduct, convey, furnish or receive such electricity or power to or from any person or corporation at any place in Canada;

d. Lease or acquire timber berths, timber licenses, water-powers, hydraulic properties, buildings, docks, wharves, carts, vehicles, goods, wares, merchandise and other property, real or personal, which are deemed necessary or useful in connection with any of the works or operations which the company is authorized to carry on;

e. Lease and acquire rights and privileges with respect to fisheries and fishing in the waters of the St. Lawrence river and gulf, and streams emptying therein; take, cure, preserve, can and sell fish; erect, acquire and lease buildings and premises, fishways, slides and dams, and equip the same with plant, machinery, implements and boats requisite and necessary for the purposes of such fishing industry.

8. The company may also, within the limits of the territory situated to the northward of the river St. Lawrence and eastward of the river St. Charles:

a. Erect, acquire and operate saw mills and factories of all kinds, grist-mills, flour-mills, woollen mills, cotton mills, paper-mills and elevators; and buy, deal in and dispose of the products of the said mills and factories in any form, and acquire materials of all kinds necessary for the manufacture of such products;

b. Carry on the business of farming and stock raising;

c. Acquire and operate mines and mineral and mining rights, smelt, reduce, refine, amalgamate or otherwise manufacture and treat metals, minerals and ores, and dispose thereof, and generally carry on the business of manufacturing therefrom;

d. Erect and operate furnaces, Bessemer and open-Steel plants, &c.

hearth steel plants, electric furnaces, steel plants, rolling-mills, foundries, bridge construction and machine shops; and carry on the business of contractors for the manufacture of iron and steel railway and highway bridges, ships, cars, buildings and other structures, and for the manufacture and sale of all classes of iron and steel products;

Manufacture chemicals, &c.

e. Manufacture calcium carbide and other chemicals, and erect such factories and works as are necessary for such purposes;

Canals, &c.

f. Construct, acquire, use, maintain and operate canals, watercourses, raceways and water-powers, and construct dams, sluices, conduits and buildings in connection with its undertaking.

Additional power.

9. The company may also construct, or aid or subscribe towards the construction, acquisition and maintenance of roads, tramways, docks, piers, wharves, viaducts, aqueducts, flumes, bridges, ditches and similar works; and construct, charter or employ vessels, roads, and tramways for the purposes aforesaid and for transporting the products of the said mills, factories, mines, and works to any place in Canada or elsewhere, and for bringing and conveying to the properties of the company all materials required thereat; and the company may also construct, operate and dispose of telegraph and telephone lines for the purpose of its undertaking only; and the company may acquire any business falling within any of the objects of the company, and lands, properties, privileges, rights, contracts, limits and liabilities appertaining thereto, and may let or sublet any property of the company, and sell or otherwise dispose of any business, property or undertaking of the company.

Patent rights, &c.

10. The company may license, lease or acquire patent rights, letters patent of invention, processes and options to facilitate the carrying out of any of the objects of the company, and may dispose thereof.

Receive subsidies, &c.

11. The company may receive, as aid in the construction or carrying on of the works or operations authorized by this act, any lands, properties, franchises, sums of money or debentures, and may alienate and dispose thereof in promoting any of the affairs, businesses or operations of the company; and the company may receive exemptions from taxation and all other exemptions granted by municipal or other authority, by by-law, resolution or otherwise, which may by law be granted by such municipality.

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12. The company may receive, take and hold all

voluntary grants or donations of lands or other property, or any bonus of money or debentures, or other benefit of any sort, made to it for the purpose of aiding in the construction, maintenance and accommodation of the said railway, but the same shall be held and used for the purpose of such grants or donations only.

13. The company shall not construct or operate its railway along any highway, street or other public place, without first obtaining the consent expressed by by-law of the municipality having jurisdiction over such highway, street or other public place, and upon terms to be agreed on with such municipality. May not build on highways, &c., without consent of municipalities.

14. The securities issued by the company shall not exceed sixty thousand dollars per mile of its railway, and may be issued only in proportion to the length of railway constructed or under contract to be constructed. Limit to borrowing power.

15. The company may, for the purposes of its undertaking, construct, acquire, charter and navigate steam and other vessels, for the conveyance of passengers, goods and merchandise; and may construct, acquire and dispose of wharves, docks, elevators, warehouses, offices or other structures to be used to facilitate the carrying on of business in connection therewith, and may carry on the business of warehousemen and wharfingers; and charge wharfage and other dues for the use of any such property. May construct, &c., ships, &c.

16. The company may, for the purpose of its undertaking, construct, acquire or lease buildings for hotels or restaurants along its railway; and may carry on such business in connection therewith as tends to the comfort and convenience of the travelling public, and may lay out, manage and lease parks and summer pleasure resorts with the approval, expressed by by-law, of the municipality having jurisdiction over the place in which such parks or summer pleasure resorts are situated, and upon terms to be agreed upon by such municipalities. Hotels, &c.

17. In addition to the securities which the company may issue under the provisions of this act, the directors,—if previously authorized by the shareholders at any annual or special meeting called for that purpose, at which meeting shareholders, representing at least three-fourths in value of the subscribed stock of the company are present or represented by proxy,—may raise or borrow moneys for the acquisition, construction, extension or development of any Securities may be issued for undertakings other than the railway.

of such properties, assets or works, other than the railway, which the company is authorized to acquire, construct or operate; and, to provide for the repayment of such moneys, may issue bonds, debentures, debenture stock or other securities, perpetual or terminable, not exceeding in amount, however, the actual cost of the properties, assets or works in respect whereof such issue is made.

How securities may be issued.

18. Any bonds, debentures or other securities authorized by this act may be issued in whole or in part in the denomination and multiples of dollars or of pounds sterling, or any other currency, and may be made payable, both as to principal and interest, in Canada or elsewhere as the company may deem expedient.

Preferred stock.

19. 1. The directors,—if previously authorized by a resolution passed by the shareholders at any annual or special meeting duly called for that purpose, at which meeting shareholders representing at least three-fourths in value of the subscribed stock of the company are present or represented by proxy,—may, from time to time, issue any portion of its capital stock as preferred stock; and the preferred stock so issued shall have such preference and priority as respects dividends or otherwise over ordinary stock, and may be subject to such restrictions respecting voting-power or otherwise, as is declared by the resolution.

Rights of holders thereof.

2. Holders of such preferred stock shall be deemed to be shareholders within the meaning of this act, and of the Railway Act, and shall in all respects other than the preference or priority or restrictions provided for by resolution under this section, possess the rights and be subject to the liabilities of such shareholders.

May acquire stock in other companies.

20. The company may acquire, hold, guarantee, pledge and dispose of the stock, bonds or other securities of any transportation, navigation, terminal, hotel, telegraph, telephone, express or other company authorized to carry on any business incidental to the working of railway or steamship lines, upon such terms as are specified, in a by-law passed by the directors for that purpose, and sanctioned by a vote of not less than two-thirds in value of the shareholders present or represented by proxy and voting at any annual or special general meeting of the company duly called for the purpose of considering such by-law, and such by-law shall also be subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Provisions applicable.

21. The provisions now in force of the law relating

to railways in the Province of Quebec, and its amendments, shall apply to this company regarding its railway, except where there is incompatibility or express derogation, but shall not apply to the said company as regards its other powers conferred upon it by this act, which shall be exercised in accordance with the provisions of the general law of the Province, except in case of express derogation or incompatibility.

22. Article 6644 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, shall R. S., 6644,
not apply to the company. not to apply.

23. This act shall come into force on the day of its Coming into
sanction. force.

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Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Alexander Orsali, capitalist; John R. Meadowcroft, Company
manager; Archibald Holmes Ross, engineer; Daniel E. Parker, incorporat-
manager, and Arthur Gordon Spencer, chemist, all of the ed.
city of Montreal, together with such other persons as may become shareholders in the company, are incorporated under the name of the "River Rouge Railway Company", Name.
hereinafter called "the company".

2. The persons above named shall be the provisional Provisional
directors of the said company. directors.

3. The capital stock of the said company shall be Capital
three hundred thousand dollars, divided into three thousand stock.
shares of one hundred dollars each.

4. The head office of the company shall be at the Head office.
city of Montreal.