

CHAP. 4

An Act respecting subsidies to certain Railway Companies

[Assented to 9th March, 1906]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to grant the subsidies hereinafter mentioned, to aid the building of the railways hereinafter enumerated: Subsidies to certain railways:

a. To the Atlantic, Quebec and Western Railway Company, to aid it to construct 50 miles of its road from a point at or near Gaspé Basin running in the direction of Causapscal on the line of the Intercolonial Railway, passing through the interior of the peninsula of Gaspé, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (a); Atlantic, Quebec and Western;

To the same company, to aid it to construct 100 miles of road from Paspébiac to Gaspé, following the shore as nearly as possible, a subsidy of 4,000 acres per mile, not convertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (a); Id.;

b. To the Matane and Gaspé Railway Company, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, to aid it to build 30 miles of its road, from a point at or near St. Octave de Métis, on the Intercolonial Railway, as far as Matane, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (b); Matane and Gaspé;

c. To the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway Company, a subsidy of 3,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, to aid it to build 2 miles of railway on the La Tuque branch, from the 38th mile as far as La Tuque on the River St. Maurice; Quebec and Lake St. John,

d. To the same company, to aid it to build one mile of railway from Roberval to the government wharf at Lake St. John, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land, not convertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (i); Id.;

e. To the same company, to aid it to complete 3.8 miles of line from Valcartier to St. Catherine, a subsidy of 3,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money; Id.;

- Id.; *f.* To the same company, a subsidy of 3,000 acres of land per mile not convertible into money, to aid it to build $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles of a branch line of railway from Valcartier station, running in the direction of the township of Gosford. This subsidy and that mentioned in paragraph *e* shall be granted on the condition that the company shall establish a free roadway of seven feet and six inches in breadth on each side of the railway bridge over the river Jacques Cartier and roads at each extremity of the bridge for foot passengers, vehicles and animals, according to plans to be approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council;
- Id.; *g.* To the same company, a subsidy of 3,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, to aid it to build 12 miles of railway to prolong the Valcartier branch mentioned in paragraph *f*, as far as the township of Gosford, including a branch of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles to a point on the River aux Pins in the parish of St. Gabriel West;
- Quebec Central Railway; *h.* To the Quebec Central Railway Company, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, on a length of 9 miles, for the extension of its road from St. Francis to St. George, Beauce, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (*e*), and on condition that the road be constructed and completed within a delay of two years from the coming into force of this act;
- Joliette and Lake Manuan Colonization; *i.* To the Joliette and Lake Manuan Colonization Railway Company, to aid it to build 60 miles of its road from Joliette running in the direction of Manuan lake, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (*f*);
- Interprovincial and James Bay; *j.* To the Interprovincial and James Bay Railway Company, for a line of railway of 50 miles, running from the present terminus of the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Gordon Creek to Ville Marie, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (*g*);
- Pontiac and Interprovincial; *k.* To the Pontiac and Interprovincial Railway Company, to aid it to build a railway of 20 miles in length, from Waltham Station to Ferguson's Point, in the county of Pontiac, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (*h*);

- l. To the Northern Colonization Railway Company to aid it to extend the construction of 32 miles of railway from Nominique to L'Original Rapid, a subsidy of 3,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money; Northern Colonization;
- m. To the St. Maurice Valley Railway Company, a subsidy of 2,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, to aid it to build 30 miles of railway, from a point in the city of Three Rivers, and running in a northwesterly direction on the west bank of the river St. Maurice to a point situated between Grey's Falls and Chevalier Point; thence passing to the eastern bank of the river St. Maurice and running in a northerly direction to a point where, crossing the river St. Maurice, the line enters the town of Shawinigan Falls; thence, traversing the town of Shawinigan Falls and following the valley of the river St. Maurice in a northerly and northeasterly direction to a point in or near the town of Grand'Mère, and thence in a northerly and northwesterly direction to a point of junction on the National Transcontinental; St. Maurice Valley;
- n. To the Great Northern Railway Company of Canada, a subsidy of 2,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, to aid it to build 85 miles of railway, from a point at or near the city of Quebec to a point of junction on the Great Northern Railway, at or near Garneau Junction or Grand'Mère; Great Northern of Canada;
- o. To the Lotbiniere and Megantic Railway Company, a subsidy of 2,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, to aid it to build 60 miles of railway from Lyster station in the township of Nelson, county of Megantic, running towards Lime Ridge, county of Wolfe; Lotbiniere and Megantic;
- p. To a railway company, to aid it to build 10 miles of railway, starting from a point in the village of Hébertville, in the county of Lake St. John, running towards St. Joseph d'Alma, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (j); From Hébertville towards St. Joseph d'Alma;
- q. To a railway company, to aid it to build 30 miles of railway from Roberval, running towards the west in the direction of James Bay, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (k); From Roberval towards James Bay;
- r. To a railway company, to aid it to build 20 miles of railway, running from Jonquières in the direction of Ha! Ha! Bay, a subsidy of 4,000 acres of land per mile, not con- From Jonquières towards Ha! Ha! Bay;

- vertible into money, in lieu of the subsidy granted by the act 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 1, paragraph (*l*);
- Great Northern of Canada;
Orford Mountain Railway;
Id.
- s. To the Great Northern Railway Company of Canada, a subsidy of 2,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, to aid it in the construction of 18 miles of railway, from St. Sauveur as far as St. Jérôme, in the county of Terrebonne;
 - t. To the Orford Mountain Railway Company, a subsidy of 2,000 acres of land per mile, not convertible into money, to aid it in building 5 miles of railway from Eastman in the township of Stukely, county of Shefford, as far as Lake Bonallie, in the township of Orford, county of Sherbrooke;
 - u. To the Orford Mountain Railway Company, to aid it in building 10.84 miles of its line from Kingsbury, running in the direction of Windsor Mills, a subsidy of \$4,000 per mile, but not to exceed in all \$43,375.50. This subsidy to be in lieu of the unexpired balance of those which were granted by the acts 52 Victoria, chapter 86, section 3; 54 Victoria, chapter 88, section 1, paragraph (*cc*); 62 Victoria, chapter 4, section 4; 2 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 2, and 4 Edward VII, chapter 2, section 9. Such subsidy shall be paid to the company by section of 10 miles of railway completed to the satisfaction of the railway engineer of the Department of Public Works and Labour.

Mines, &c., reserved to Crown.

2. The mines and minerals, as defined in the Quebec Mining Law, including coal and petroleum, which may be in or on the lands granted under this act, are reserved in favor of the Crown.

When subsidies in land exigible.

3. All the subsidies in land provided for in section 1 of this act shall be exigible as follows:

- a. Upon the completion of the portion of the road for which the subsidy was granted, if such portion of road is less than 10 miles in length;
- b. Upon the completion of each section of 10 miles, in the proportion which the cost of such completed section bears to that of the whole of the subsidized portion of the road.

Choice and location of lands.

4. The choice of the lands so to be given as subsidy shall be left entirely to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council: the lands chosen shall not be comprised within any timber limits under license at the time of the grant, and shall, as much as possible, be located along or in the neighborhood of each railway for which they are granted.

5. The granting of the subsidies in land under this act and the acceptance thereof by the respective companies, shall be subject to the following conditions: Conditions of grant of subsidies.

- a. The cost of the inspection and survey of the lands granted shall be paid by the company to which they are granted;
- b. The company shall be obliged to sell, within the delay from time to time fixed by the Minister of Public Works and Labour, to settlers in good faith who apply therefor, lots out of the lands granted as subsidies, at a price not exceeding \$2.50 per acre;
- c. The Minister of Public Works and Labour may, for the advancement of colonization and the convenience of settlers, indicate the places where the company shall erect stations upon its line, and such stations shall be erected accordingly;
- d. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall have absolute control, at all times, over the rates and tolls to be levied and imposed by the company upon its railway;
- e. The company shall build its road with rails made and purchased in Canada, and shall equip its line with materials also so made and purchased, unless such rails and materials can not be procured in Canada at as low a price and upon as favorable conditions as elsewhere, and unless such company has been previously authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to procure such rails and materials outside Canada;
- f. The railway shall be built in accordance with plans, profiles, books of reference, specifications and estimates, and under the conditions approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, upon the report of the Minister of Public Works and Labour.

6. The works of construction upon the railways for which subsidies in land shall be granted under this act, shall be commenced, if not so already, within two years next after the first of July, 1906, and be completed within a reasonable delay to be determined by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, not to exceed four years from the said date, except in so far as the 9 miles mentioned in paragraph *h* of section 1 of this act are concerned; and, in default of the commencement and completion of the works within the prescribed delays, the subsidies shall lapse for that portion of the railway which then remains incomplete. Commencement and completion of works.

Contract to be entered into between Department of Public Works and Labour and railway company subsidized.

7. Before commencing or resuming works, the company to which subsidies in land shall be granted shall enter into a contract in writing with the Department Public Works and Labour, determining the conditions and nature of the works to be performed on the road, and the share of the subsidy to be assigned to each section of ten miles of a continuous and uninterrupted road, in proportion to the cost of building the whole line or the subsidized portion thereof, as estimated by the railway engineer of the Department; and every such company shall, before claiming any part of the subsidies provided for in section 1 of this act, establish to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council that it has the means necessary to complete its road and to maintain it in regular operation.

Notice to Minister of Public Works and Labour that railway is ready for inspection.

8. The company to which a subsidy shall be granted under this act shall notify the Minister of Public Works and Labour whenever any section of its road is ready for inspection by the railway engineer of the Department and that in consequence it requires such inspection and report.

Extension of delay to complete Orford Mountain Railway.

9. The prescribed delay within which the works upon the Orford Mountain Railway, upon that part mentioned in paragraph *u* of section 1 of this act, are to be completed, is extended to the 31st December, 1907.

Coming into force.

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

CHAP. 5

An Act respecting the contract entered into between the Government and *La Congrégation des Filles de Jésus*, concerning the maintenance and education of children of both sexes belonging to the North Shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence (Labrador), sent to their reformatory and industrial schools at Esquimaux Point, in the county of Saguenay

[Assented to 9th March, 1906]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Contract of 13th June,

1. The contract, hereinafter set forth as Schedule A, respecting the maintenance and education of children of both sexes