

thousand four hundred and ninety-four of the original deeds remaining of record in the office of the said undersigned notary.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF the said parties have signed with and in the presence of the said notary, these presents having been first duly read in their presence.

[Signed]	FRANK ROSS,
"	J. G. SCOTT,
"	E. BEAUDET,
"	E. A. PANET, N.P.

A true copy of the original hereof remaining of record in my office.

E. A. PANET, N.P.

CHAP. 60

An Act to incorporate The Matane and Gaspé Railway Company

[Assented to 26th March, 1902]

Preamble.

WHEREAS Donat Caron, M.P.P., commercial agent, Antoine Roy, hotel-keeper, Jules Gendron, merchant, L. M. Langlais, merchant, J. E. Demers, physician, Philéas Ayot, merchant, all of St. Octave de Métis ; Sam. McNider, hotel-keeper, Alphonse Landry, merchant, both of Little Metis ; J. A. Ross, M.P., physician, Antoine Boyer, merchant, Napoléon Saprion, merchant, all of Mont Joli ; N. T. Tobin, M.P., trader, Brompton Falls ; Eugène Roberge, trader, Lambton ; I. L. Lafleur, trader, Montreal ; Alfred Girard, M.P.P., advocate, Marieville ; Napoléon Dion, M.P.P., trader, Alfred Fortin, burgess, Camille Pouliot, advocate, Thomas Lebel, burgess, Joseph Hamel, commercial traveller, all of Fraserville ; Napoléon P. Tanguay, trader, Weedon ; Xavier Kennedy, trader, Douglstown ; Auguste Leclerc, trader, Marten River ; T. J. Lamontagne, trader, Ste. Anne des Monts ; Emile Lamontagne, trader, Trefflé Côté, light-house keeper, both of Cap Chat ; Joseph Lemieux, farmer, Pierre Verreault, trader, both of Méchins ; J. A. D. Roy, forster ranger, Herménégilde Gagnon, merchant, of Ste. Félicité ; Augustin Harrisson, farmer, L. J. Levasseur, merchant, L.

H. Chouinard, merchant, J. E. Gagnon, notary, Félix Desrosiers, farmer, G. A. Côté, physician, G. B. Desjardins farmer, Alexander Fraser, farmer, all of Matane ; J. E. Roy, trader, A. E. Talbot, merchant, H. Parent, merchant, Albert Quimper, merchant, all of Rivière Blanche ; L. N. Desrosiers, merchant, Sam. Lepage, surveyor, Frs. St. Laurent, farmer, Frs. Parent, farmer, George Boucher, farmer, all of Sandy Bay ; Philéas Boucher, merchant, Joseph Turcotte, merchant, both of St. Damase ; Auguste Tessier, M.P.P., advocate, A. P. Garon, district magistrate, J. B. R. Fiset, senator, all of Rimouski ; J. Lovell, M. P. P., trader, of Coaticooke ; Narcisse Rioux, merchant, of Quebec ; W. Astle, hotel-keeper, Elie Lepage, farmer, Ls. Michaud, farmer, P. H. A. Caron, trader, all of Little Metis ; M. Gauvreau, M. P., notary, Préfontaine & Frère, manufacturers, George Bertrand, merchant, all of Green Island ; G. O. Girard, merchant, George St. Pierre, merchant, J. A. Pratt, railway employee, all of Rivière du Loup, and others, have by their petition, prayed that an act be passed to incorporate them and grant them the rights, powers and privileges necessary for building and operating the railway hereinafter described ; and whereas it is expedient to grant such prayer ;

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

1. The persons above named and all others who now are Persons in- and who may hereafter become associated with them under corporated. this act, are hereby constituted a corporation under the name of "The Matane and Gaspé Railway Company." Name.

2. The company shall have power to build and operate a Power to railway from a point in St. Octave de Métis, or near such build &c. place, in the county of Matane, to a point in St. Jérôme de certain Matane, or near such place ; with power to build a branch railway. from the said St. Jérôme de Matane along the river Matane to its source in the interior at some point on the projected railway called the Atlantic, Quebec and Western Railway, the main line continuing along the shore to the Gulf of St. Lawrence to Cap Chat, with branches following the valley of the St. Anne river to the source of such river to a point on the projected railway called the Atlantic, Quebec and Western Railway, and, failing the construction of the latter, within five years from the sanctioning of this act, continuing to Gaspé Basin, finally, the main line starting from Cap Chat may continue along the shore, following as much as possible the Maritime road, as far as Gaspé Basin, or its neighborhood, in the county of Gaspé.

R. S., 5128,
to 5181, to
apply.

3. Articles 5128 to 5181, inclusively, of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec shall apply to the company in so far as not expressly declared otherwise by this act.

Capital
stock and
shares.
Increase
thereof.

4. The capital stock of the company shall be six hundred thousand dollars. It shall be divided into shares of fifty dollars each, and it may be increased at pleasure in the manner provided by paragraph 19 of article 5132 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec.

Company
may receive
lands &c., in
aid of road.

5. It shall be lawful for the company to receive, as aid in the construction of the railway, any vacant lands or any other real or personal property, or any sums of money, either as gifts or grants or by way of bonus, or in payment of stock; and the majority of the directors may legally dispose of and alienate the said lands and other real or personal property for the purposes of the company.

Provisional
board of
of directors.

6. Until the election of directors, which shall take place at the first annual meeting of the shareholders, I. L. Laffeur, P. N. Tanguay, L. J. Levasseur, A. C. Landry, J. F. Demers, J. E. Gagnon, L. N. Desrosiers, Emile Lamontagne and A. Girard are constituted a board of provisional directors of the company, and five of them shall form a quorum.

Quorum.

Powers of
provisional
board.

While in office they shall have power and authority to fill vacancies which may arise in the board, to open stock books and have stock taken in the company, to call up and cause to be paid up instalments on the stock subscribed, to issue bonds or debentures, to subscribe, endorse, draw and accept promissory notes and bills of exchange up to the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and to commence and carry on the building and working of the said railway.

First general
meeting,
when and
where to be
held.

Publication
of notice.

Subsequent
annual
meetings.

7. The first general meeting of the shareholders for the election of directors shall be held on the first Wednesday in June, in the parish of Matane, at the place and hour specified in the notice calling such meeting. Such notice shall be inserted in a newspaper published in the city of Quebec, during two weeks previous to the meeting. All subsequent general meetings of shareholders shall also be held on the first Wednesday in June of each year; but the place and hour shall be fixed by the board of management. The other meetings of the shareholders shall be published according to the by-laws of the company.

8. The board of directors of the company shall be composed of nine directors, five of whom shall be a quorum. The directors shall elect one of their number to be president of the company, and another to be vice-president. The board of directors may grant a salary to one or more of its members at a general meeting of shareholders.

Number and quorum of directors. President and vice-president. Salaried members of board.

9. No one shall be elected a director unless he be the holder of ten shares of the capital stock of the company and have paid all the calls due thereon.

Qualification of directors.

10. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of article 5134 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, the directors or the majority of them may replace directors who are deceased or have refused to act, by shareholders duly qualified to be directors. The directors so appointed, shall remain in office until the ensuing election in June.

Directors may fill vacancies on board, &c.

11. The chief place of business and the head office of the company shall be in the village of St. Jérôme de Matane or in any other place fixed by the board of directors.

Head office.

12. The directors may issue, as paid up stock of the company, shares whether subscribed for or not, and may allot and hand over such stock as paid-up stock and mortgage bonds in payment of land, rolling stock or material of any kind, and also for the services of employees, and contractors.

Issue of paid up stock for certain payments.

Such paid-up shares or bonds shall be binding on the company and shall be unassessable thereafter for calls.

Such stock unassessable for calls.

13. The directors of the company are authorized to borrow, either in Canada or elsewhere, all sums of money necessary to complete, maintain and work the railway; to issue mortgage bonds, bearing the seal of the company and signed by the president or other officer acting as president and countersigned by the secretary. Such bonds shall be payable in such manner, at such places, in Canada or elsewhere, and bear such rate of interest as the directors may fix, and the latter may sell or pledge the same at such price and on such terms and conditions as they may deem expedient. The amount of such bonds shall not exceed that of the capital stock of the company.

Power to borrow money and issue bonds, &c.

Bonds where payable and how disposed of.

Amount of issue limited.

14. In order to secure the priority, lien, charge, hypothec and privilege regarded as belonging to or created by all bonds issued under the provisions of this act, it shall not be necessary to register such bonds according to the requirements of the Civil Code or any other law; but it shall be

How such bonds may be registered.

sufficient to register in the registry offices of the counties through which the said railway passes, within two months after their sale, a copy, certified by the secretary or the treasurer of the company, of the form used for all such bonds, accompanied by a certificate signed by the secretary or treasurer of the company, mentioning the date of issue, and the number and amount of the bonds issued or negotiated.

Bonds may be payable to bearer.

Transfer in such case and effect thereof.

Power to become party to promissory notes &c. Notes to be binding on company.

Seal not necessary.

President, &c., not personally responsible therefor.

Calls.

Amount limited.

Notice therefor.

Power to sell or lease railway &c. ;

To make running arrangements, &c.

15. All bonds, debentures, mortgages and other securities authorized by this act and their coupons and certificates of interest due, may respectively be made payable to bearer, and, in such case, shall be transferable by simple delivery. The bearer may sue for the recovery thereof in his own name.

16. The company shall have power and authority to become parties to promissory notes and bills of exchange, provided the amount of the same be at least one hundred dollars. Any such promissory note or bill of exchange, in order to be binding on the company, shall be subscribed, accepted or endorsed, as the case may be, by the president or vice-president of the company and countersigned by the secretary of the company, under the authority of a majority of a quorum of the directors. The seal of the company is not necessary to render such notes or bills valid. The president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary of the company shall not be personally responsible for the same, unless the said promissory notes or bills of exchange have been signed, endorsed, accepted or issued without the authority required by this act.

17. The directors may, at any time, call upon the shareholders for instalments upon each share, which they or any of them may hold in the capital stock of the company, not to exceed ten per cent. of the capital subscribed. But they cannot make any such call without sending one month's notice thereof by mail by registered letter to each shareholder.

18. The company is authorized to sell or lease all its property, rights, privileges and interests to any other railway company or to the Government of the Dominion of Canada; to amalgamate with any other railway company; to acquire or lease any other railway or undertaking; to make any arrangement with any other railway company or with the Government of the Dominion of Canada, for granting the right of running over its line or to acquire such right for any period of time, and, generally, to make any arrangement with any other railway companies, or with the Government of the Dominion of Canada, by means of transfers,

leases, amalgamations or fusions with respect to any railway, part of a railway, railway undertaking or any service to be rendered by one company to another, or to the said Government or *vice versa*. These arrangements may be made either by this company with another company, or with the said Government and *vice versa*; or by this company jointly with one or more others, with the said Government and *vice versa*.

19. All deeds and conveyances of land to the company, for the purposes of this undertaking, shall, as far as circumstances permit, be in the form of schedule A to this act annexed, or in words of like import, in order that all such deeds may be duly registered. All registrars, in their respective counties, may be furnished, by and at the expense of the company, with a book containing printed blank forms of the said schedule A, or in words of like import, to register the same at length as required by law. The registrars shall charge, for all costs on such registration, fifty cents. Such registration shall be deemed to be valid, any statute or provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, and shall have the same effect as the registration prescribed by the Civil Code. Form of deeds of sale of land, &c.

20. The said railway shall be commenced by the building of at least ten miles of road within four years from the coming into force of this act. Commencement of railway.

The building of the entire line to Gaspé Basin shall be completed within ten years from the coming into force of this act. Completion thereof.

In case any of these conditions shall not be complied with, the powers, rights and privileges conferred by this act, shall lapse except, for that portion of the road then built. Effect of failure to complete.

21. This act shall come into force in the day of its sanction. Coming into force.

SCHEDULE A

DEED OF SALE

Know all men by these presents that I, A. B., of _____ in consideration of _____ dollars, which I acknowledge to have received from the Matane and Gaspé Railway Company, grant, sell and convey unto the said Company all that tract or parcel of land, viz: [*here describe the land*] the said Company to have and hold the said land and premises, its successors and assigns forever.

Witness my hand and seal, at _____, this _____ day of
 one thousand nine hundred and _____

Signed, sealed and delivered }
 in presence of _____ } A. B.
 [L. S.]

C. D.
 E. F.

CHAP. 61

An Act to incorporate the Levis County Railway Company

[Assented to 26th March, 1902]

Preamble.

WHEREAS, by their petition, the persons hereinafter mentioned have represented :

That it is in the interest of the district of Quebec and of the districts of Beauce and Montmagny that a railway be built and operated in order to bring the various towns and parishes of the counties of Levis, Dorchester, Beauce, Lotbinière and Bellechasse into communication with one another ;

That the promoters of the present company have made preliminary arrangements with the Canadian Electric Light Company to obtain the necessary power for operating an electric railway within the limits of the county of Levis, and there is reason to hope that such railway may be extended in such manner as to place in communication with the city of Quebec and town of Levis important parishes of the counties of Beauce, Dorchester, Levis, Lotbiniere and Bellechasse which so far have no short and direct railway communication with the large centres ;

Whereas Alfred Collyer, agent, of Montreal ; William J. Remick, banker, of New York, Richard D. Wyckoff, banker of New York, Cléophas Blouin, manufacturer, of Levis, Joseph Paquet, contractor, of Levis, Philippe Edouard Bourassa, clerk, of Levis, George W. Holman, engineer, of Quebec, have prayed for the passing of an act incorporating them, under the name of the Levis County Railway Company, to build and operate the said railway, and it is expedient to grant their prayer ;

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