

or touching any service to be rendered by the one to the other, and the compensation therefor; Provided the said sales, purchases, leases, agreements and arrangements have been first respectively sanctioned by the majority of votes, at a special general meeting of the shareholders, called for the purpose of considering the same respectively, after due notice given as provided by "The Quebec Railway Act, 1880."

Proviso.

7. The company may, for the purpose of securing an early completion of the line between St. Johns and Sorel, agree with any other chartered railway company for the construction and maintenance of any portion of their road between the points named, and have full power and authority to delegate to such other company all such powers as may belong to the company, both as to rights of way and borrowing powers, and make such arrangements for the joint use of the road so constructed as they may mutually agree upon.

Other powers of making arrangements for construction and maintenance.

8. All shareholders in the company, whether British subjects or aliens or residents of Canada, or elsewhere, shall have equal rights to hold stock in the company, and to vote on the same, and be eligible to any office in the company.

Right of shareholders to vote.

9. The present act shall come into force on the day of the sanction thereof.

Act in force.

CAP. XXXIX.

An Act to amend an act of this session intituled: "An Act to amend the act of incorporation of the St. Johns and Sorel Railway Company."

[Assented to 30th June, 1881.]

WHEREAS there has been an omission in the drawing up of the amendment to the first section of the said act, adopted in Committee of the Whole, and whereas it is expedient to supply such omission;

Preamble.

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The first section of the act of this session intituled: "An act to amend the act of incorporation of the St. Johns and Sorel Railway Company," is repealed and replaced by the following:

S. 1 of 44-45 V., c. 58, replaced.

"1. The St. Johns and Sorel Railway Company may change the line of its railway, as set forth in its charter,

Railway may change its line.

between St. Johns and Sorel, passing *via* St. Hyacinthe, Ste. Madeleine, or *via* any other place in the county of St. Hyacinthe which shall be found most advantageous and practicable, following the most direct line possible from St. Johns. The company shall have the right to cross the river Richelieu at such place as it shall deem most suitable."

Act in force. 2. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

C A P . X L .

An Act to amend the charter of the Quebec Central Railway Company.

[Assented to 30th June, 1881.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS The Quebec Central Railway Company has become purchaser (adjudicataire) at sheriff's sale, of that portion of the Levis and Kennebec Railway which is now constructed and is now in possession thereof, and is working the same ; and whereas the Levis and Kennebec Railway Company has surrendered its franchise and right to build, maintain and work a railway, from the foot of the cliff, in the town of Levis, to the frontier of the State of Maine, in favor of the Quebec Central Railway Company ; and whereas the latter company is desirous of continuing and completing the said railway to the frontier aforesaid, and also of connecting the same with the wharves at deep water within the said town of Levis ; and whereas the Quebec Central Railway Company has, by its petition, represented that to enable it to complete and work the said railway, it is necessary that its charter should be amended ; and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of its petition ;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows ;

Power to construct railway from deep water in Lauzon ward, Levis, to frontier of Maine, in county of Beauce.

1. The Quebec Central Railway Company shall have full power and authority to lay out, construct, make and finish a single or double railway, with iron or steel rails, of such width and gauge as the company may judge most advantageous, from any point at the wharves at deep water of the river Saint Lawrence in Lauzon ward, in the town of Levis, to a point most convenient on the frontier of the State of Maine, in the county of Beauce, making use of and maintaining for the said line, such part or parts only of the Levis and Kennebec railway, which was acquired by it at sheriff's