

period every
year.

books in its offices, and to keep them open until the twelfth day of May, of the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and to re-open them on the twenty-second day of the said month and year, and to keep them open until the twelfth day of May of the following year, until four o'clock in the afternoon each day, and to continue so to do during every succeeding year until the capital stock of the said company shall have been fully subscribed.

Original share-
holders to in-
scribe their
names on new
books, and
receive credit
for former
payments.

3. The original shareholders, establishing their titles as such, shall before the first day of March next, in order to continue so to be, inscribe their names in the new books, and shall receive credit for their paid-up instalments, both in so far as regards their right to vote at the election of directors as their payment of the instalments required from time to time by the company to be paid-up by subscribers for the purposes of the enterprise.

Former shares
on which
nothing has
been paid,
cancelled.

4. All shares, which may have been taken by individuals, and upon which no instalments have yet been paid, are cancelled as if they had never been subscribed; and from the date of the passing of the present act, the new share books hereinbefore mentioned shall be the only share books of the said company.

Company may
raise money
upon debentures, subject
to § 11, of sec.
9, of C. S. L. C.,
c. 66, and said
§ shall apply
to municipal
debentures.

5. The said company may raise by way of loan upon their bonds or debentures in addition to such authorized capital stock which shall be of six millions of dollars, any sum of money not exceeding the amount of their capital, subject to the forms and provisions of the eleventh sub-section of the ninth clause of the "railway act" contained in the consolidated statutes of Canada, chapter sixty-six, which shall apply to such loan; and the said sub-section shall apply as far as may be to the bonds and debentures of all city, town, village, parish or county municipalities, subscribing to the stock of such company or aiding the same, anything in their special acts to the contrary notwithstanding, which municipal corporations may, in addition to their rate of interest, provide such sinking fund for the redemption of their said bonds and debentures, as such corporation may deem advisable.

Time of elec-
tion of direc-
tors.

6. The election of the directors of the said company, in future, shall be held at noon, on the twentieth day of May in each year, at the office of the company, in the city of Quebec.

Of whom
board of direc-
tors shall be
composed.

7. From and after the twentieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, inclusively, the board of directors of the company shall be composed of twelve members, in addition to the representatives of the municipalities entitled to form part thereof. Of these twelve members, four shall be named by the lieutenant-governor in council, eight only in future to be elected by the shareholders: but until the twentieth day of May, one thousand

eight hundred and seventy-one, the said board shall consist of the present directors, the four members named by the lieutenant-governor, and the representatives of the municipalities as already stated. Until the next election of directors, the board shall not have power to fill vacancies among the directors elected.

8. From and after the twentieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, inclusively, no person shall be elected as a director of the said company, without his having subscribed at least one thousand dollars to the capital stock, and paid up all the instalments then due.

Who may be directors after 20th May, 1871.

9. No person shall be entitled to vote at the next election of directors unless he has paid up at least ten per cent on the amount of his shares.

Who may vote to elect directors.

10. The board of directors of the said company, as constituted from the formation of the said company up to the present time, is hereby declared to have been legally elected and chosen and to have had lawful power and authority for the discharge of their functions.

Election of former directors confirmed.

11. Until such time as it shall have been otherwise decided by a by-law adopted by the board of directors, the regular meetings of the said board shall be held every second Thursday in each month.

Meeting of directors.

12. The expenses incurred by the said company and the obligations which it may have contracted up to the passing of this act, and which may be lawfully due, shall be the first charge thereupon.

Expenses already incurred to be a first charge.

Whereas, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, the council of the municipality of the county of Saint Maurice did, by a by-law, which was subsequently regularly approved by the municipal electors of the said county, subscribe a sum of two hundred thousand dollars to the capital stock of the "North Shore Railway Company," since called the "North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company,"—whereas, afterwards the legislature did divide the said county of Saint Maurice into two new counties, bearing respectively the names of "county of Saint Maurice and county of Maskinongé," without determining the proportion of the said subscription to be borne by each of the said two counties, and the mode of giving effect thereto,—and whereas, it is important to determine the same in the interest of the said counties and for the speedy execution of the enterprise which it is intended to aid :—

Preamble.

13. Therefore, it is hereby enacted that the said counties of Saint Maurice and Maskinongé, shall, out of the said sum of two hundred thousand dollars subscribed in the said year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, by the said heretofore county of Saint Maurice, in favor of the said

\$20,000 stock subscribed by former county of St. Maurice divided between present counties of

St. Maurice
and Maskin-
oué.

Said counties
may impose
conditions, but
shall be bound
if these are
accepted.

North Shore Railway Company, subsequently called the North Shore Railway and Saint Maurice Navigation and Land Company, be considered to have and have each respectively subscribed one hundred thousand dollars to the capital stock of the said "North Shore Railway and Saint Maurice Navigation and Land Company;" and that such subscription has, with regard to each of the said counties, precisely the same effects in every respect, and subjects the said counties respectively towards the said company to the same obligations in regard to their respective shares of the said subscription, as if the said by-law had been passed by the county municipal council of each of the said two counties respectively, but each of the county municipal councils of the said two counties may, as regards the county it represents and its share of the said subscription, impose upon the said company such conditions as it shall deem proper to make in resolutions by it adopted. If these conditions be not accepted by the said company, the county imposing them shall be discharged from the obligation arising out of its share of the said subscription; and such resolutions, being accepted by the said company shall, without any other formality, have force of law and shall bind the said county towards the said company in the same manner as if such conditions had been stipulated in the present act.

Width of
gauge.

C. S. C., c. 66,
to apply to
this act.

Preamble.

14. The gauge of the said railway may not be narrower than four feet, eight inches and one half.

15. The provisions of the "Railway Act," contained in the consolidated statutes of Canada, shall apply to the present act, except in so far as the special provisions of this act may be inconsistent therewith.

Whereas, on the fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, the council of the city of Quebec did resolve to subscribe, in the name of the corporation of the said city, a sum of one million of dollars to the stock of the North Shore Railway, and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company, subject to the conditions that the said council might judge proper to impose on the said company; and whereas, on the twenty-eight day of the said month, in the said year, the said council did, in regard to the said subscription of one million of dollars, impose on the said company the conditions following, to wit:

1. That the amount subscribed be paid by permanent consolidated stock certificates bearing seven per cent interest;

2. That an act be obtained from the provincial legislature, authorising the issue of the said stock and granting power to impose a rate to provide for the payment of the interest on the said amount. Proprietors to be responsible for the said tax with power to collect one half of the same from the tenants as at present;

3. Liability of the corporation to be limited to amount subscribed ;

4. That in case the company find it advantageous to begin the road with subscribed stock, as being the most immediately available means, so as to give value to their bonds on the lands or on the road, the stock to be issued by the corporation shall be *pro rata* as the work progresses and in proportion to the whole subscribed stock, on certificates of the engineer to be named by themselves ; but if the company finds it possible to obtain a contract by which their bonds are given in part payment simultaneously with the stock subscribed, then the corporation shall issue their stock as the work progresses *pro rata* to the total cost of the road ;

The stock to be issued by the corporation also as the work progresses *pro rata* to the whole cost of the road, in case legislation should give a substitute for the lands to the company ;

5. The company, either by themselves or the contractor, to pay the interest on the stock of the corporation to the date of the opening of the road between Montreal and Quebec, and the running of the first through train between those two cities ;

6. In the event of the company or the contractor neglecting to pay the interest on the corporation stock issued, as it becomes due, the corporation shall have a right to cease to issue bonds in favor of the company ;

7. That the bonds to be issued by the company on the security of the road and lands be at a not less date than twenty years, and that on no consideration shall the bondholders have the power to assume possession or management of the road or lands ;

8. The chief terminus of the city of Quebec to be in St. Peter's Ward ;

9. The principal office of the company to be in the city of Quebec, where its meetings shall be also held ;

10. The corporation to be represented at the board of directors by the mayor and three other members appointed by the council ; and that no contract shall be entered into with one or more contractors for the building of the road, or its appurtenances, until the four members to represent the city council of the city of Quebec do legally form part of the direction of the said board ;

11. That the corporation shall be entitled to be credited with stock representing the amount of fifty thousand dollars already paid by them, over and above the one million dollars ;

12. That the work of the construction of the road shall commence in the city of Quebec, and shall uninterruptedly continue until completed ;

13. That no bonds of the corporation in favor of the company shall be issued, and no contract for the building of the road be made, until the company have obtained subscriptions to its capital stock to the amount of at least two million dollars, including that of the corporation of Quebec; and, in the event of the provincial legislature allowing a substitute for the 2,700,000 acres of land, secured by law to the said company, that the said substitute, in provincial securities or bonds, shall amount to at least two million dollars.

Corporation of
Quebec may
subscribe
\$1,000,000
stock, subject
to the above
conditions.

16. Therefore it is enacted, that the said corporation of the city of Quebec, to this end is hereby authorized to subscribe, as aforesaid, forty thousand shares, of twenty dollars each, making the said sum of one million of dollars in the stock of the said North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company, pursuant to, and in accordance with the said resolutions of the said city council, hereinbefore cited, of the said fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and pursuant to the conditions thereto attached, which said conditions shall, in consequence, become and be binding upon the said company, and shall be considered as forming part of the present act. But the above conditions on which the city council of the city of Quebec is so authorized to subscribe the said one million of dollars, in favor of the North Shore Railway Company may be, at any time changed or modified with the joint consent of the said company and the said city council.

Corporation
may create a
fund to meet
payment of
shares sub-
scribed.

17. And be it also enacted, that to meet the payment of the amount of shares so subscribed by the said corporation of the city of Quebec, to the aforesaid amount of one million of dollars in the said stock of the said North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company, a fund to the like amount of one million of dollars, current money of this province, is hereby established for the city of Quebec, to be known as "the city of Quebec fund for the North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company," which said fund shall consist of permanent and irredeemable stock certificates of not less than five hundred dollars each, and bearing seven per cent interest.

Corporation
may issue
stock certi-
ficates for the
amount.

18. And be it also enacted, that the said corporation is hereby authorized to issue, whenever required, the said permanent and irredeemable stock certificates to the amount aforesaid of one million dollars, the said stock certificates to be signed by the mayor of the said city of Quebec, and countersigned by the treasurer of the said city, and sealed with the seal of the said city, which said certificates may be in the form of schedule A, appended to the present act.

Company to be
paid with said

19. And be it also enacted, that the said sum of one million of dollars, to be so subscribed by the said corporation

of the city of Quebec, for shares to the amount aforesaid in the stock of the said North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company shall be paid to the said company by the said corporation of the city of Quebec, with the said permanent and irredeemable stock certificates of the said "city of Quebec fund for the North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company," and not otherwise, the said fund to this end being established as hereabove mentioned.

20. And be it also enacted that, to meet the payment of the interest on the amount of one million of dollars so to be subscribed for shares in the said stock of the said North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company, as aforesaid, the said corporation of the city of Quebec is hereby authorized to impose and levy, whenever required, upon the whole then assessable real property of the said city, a special rate of so many cents in the dollar, as shall be required, until the said interest shall be fully paid and discharged, the said rate to be paid in equal proportions by the proprietor and tenant, unless the said real property be occupied by the proprietor himself, in which case such rate shall be paid by the proprietor or person in possession as proprietor as aforesaid, to recover one half of the said rate from the tenant or occupant of the said real property, as it is now the case for the other taxes imposed in the said city of Quebec, by suit in the recorder's court.

21. And be it also enacted, that the said rate for the payment of the said interest shall be imposed at any time that it shall be so ordered by the said council of the city of Quebec, by being entered in a separate book by the assessors of the said city of Quebec, or by any one of them, the said book to be called "book of interest of the North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company," or in a separate column in the assessment books of the said city of Quebec, in the like manner as the other assessments on real property in the said city of Quebec, and shall be levied by the same process and in the same way, and without any other formalities, and without it being necessary for the said council of the said city of Quebec to make any by-law to that effect. The said rate to be imposed on the annual assessed value of each and every real property within the said city of Quebec, which said value shall be estimated according to that set upon real property in the assessment books of the said city for the then current year, when the said rate shall be so imposed.

22. And it is also enacted, that as soon as the city council of the city of Quebec shall have subscribed, as aforesaid, to the capital stock of the said North Shore Railway Company, then, besides the mayor of the said city

stock certificates.

Corporation may impose a special rate to meet interest on amount subscribed—rate to be borne by owners and by tenants.

Said rate may be imposed without any by-law upon the annual assessed value of real property.

Corporation after subscribing may appoint three directors

besides the
mayor.

of Quebec who shall be *ex-officio* a member of the board of the directors of the said company, the council of the city of Quebec shall have the right to appoint three other persons who shall be also members of the said board of directors.

Name of the
company.

23. The name of the said company shall be the "North Shore Railway Company."

SCHEDULE A.

City of Quebec fund for the North Shore Railway and
St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company.

City Hall,

Quebec,

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Certificate No.

This is to certify that

of

at the date hereof, is the registered owner, in the books of the corporation of the city of Quebec, of

shares of

dollars

each, in all amounting to

dollars,

of the city of Quebec fund for the North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company, (as detailed in the margin hereof,) established under the authority of the act of the legislature of Quebec, in the dominion of Canada, passed on the twenty-fourth day of December, 1870, intituled: "An Act to extend the period for the completion of the works of the North Shore Railway and St. Maurice Navigation and Land Company."

Upon the amount of shares in the said permanent stock standing registered to the credit of the owners thereof, in the books of the corporation of the city of Quebec as aforesaid, the corporation of the city of Quebec will pay interest semi-annually, at the rate of seven per cent per annum, on the first day of January and July in each year.

Sealed with the seal of the corporation of the said city of Quebec, signed by the mayor, countersigned by the city clerk, and registered in the books of the said corporation by the city treasurer of the said city, this day of

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L. S.

Mayor.

City Clerk.

Registered book

Folio,
City Treasurer.