

6. This Act shall not be in force until it is accepted and approved by the ratepayers, liable to be assessed thereunder, in manner following, that is to say—The Assessors of Rates are hereby authorized, on being requested in writing so to do by any two Justices of the Peace for the said County of Charlotte, resident in the said district, to make, in like manner as valuations of property and incomes are now made by Assessors of Rates, a list of all the persons, and a valuation of all the properties and incomes liable to assessment under the provisions of this Act, and deliver such list to the said two Justices, or either of them, within one month after such request, and such Justices shall, within six months from the passing of this Act, by public notice printed in a Newspaper printed in the Town of Saint Andrews, and also by printed handbills, to be by them posted up in three or more public places in the said district, make known to the public that they call together, and will hold a public meeting of all persons liable to be assessed under the provisions of this Act, at a time and place to be in such notice specified, and which shall not be less than six days from the time of posting up and publishing such notices; and on the day and hour, (which shall not be later in the day than twelve o'clock, noon,) and at the place in such notice named, the said two Justices shall hold such meeting, and shall preside at the same, and not before four o'clock in the afternoon of the same day shall close the said meeting; they shall put the question to each person as he presents himself to vote, and whose name is entered upon the said list so furnished by the Assessors as aforesaid, whether this Act shall be adopted or not, and shall truly enter his answer, "yea" or "nay," opposite his name on the said list; the President or Manager of any Corporation shall be entitled to vote in respect of the ~~property of such Corporation~~ liable to be assessed under this Act, and any party entitled to vote under this Act may do so by proxy, upon such proxy producing and filing with the said two Justices a written authority, signed by the party for whom he votes; such authority to be proved by oath, or otherwise, to the satisfaction of the said Justices, which oath the said Justices, or any one of them, is hereby authorized to administer; if it shall appear to the said two Justices that the parties who at such meeting have voted "yea," represent more than two thirds of the valuation of the property and incomes of the persons who present themselves and vote at the said meeting, to be estimated by the said list so furnished by the Assessors of Rates as hereinbefore provided, then the said two Justices shall forthwith certify the same to the Governor in Council, and the Governor in Council shall thereupon announce the same by proclamation in the Royal Gazette of this Province, whereupon this Act shall be *ipso facto* in full operation, force and effect; but if on the contrary, the votes aforesaid, and referring to the said list, the said Justices shall find that the persons who shall vote in favor of the adoption of this Act do not represent more than two thirds of the property and incomes of the persons who present themselves and vote at the said meeting, they the said Justices shall also certify the same to the Governor in Council, whereupon this Act, and every thing therein contained, shall be and become utterly null and void, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding; and in case of any dispute as to the qualification of any person whose name appears on the said list, the said Justices shall and may decide the same on the oath of

the parties, or other evidence, which oath the said Justices are hereby authorized to administer; and the decision of the said two Justices thereupon shall be final and conclusive for the purposes of this Act.

7. Should this Act be adopted, as hereinbefore provided, the Justices of the Peace for the said County, at any General Sessions, or any Special Sessions to be held for that purpose, shall appoint three persons as Commissioners to receive the said Debentures when issued, who shall have power and authority to sell and dispose of the said Debentures at the largest sum that can be obtained for them, and with the proceeds thereof purchase iron rails, suitable for the purposes of the said Railway; and the said Commissioners are hereby authorized, in the name of the said Justices, to lease or hire the said rails to the Receiver or Manager of the said Railway for the purposes in the first Section of the Act mentioned, on such terms and conditions as to the said Commissioners shall seem most for the advantage of the said district hereinbefore named, and as may be agreed to by the said Manager or Receiver; and the said Justices of the Peace shall have full power and authority, at law and in equity, to enforce the rights, powers, covenants, agreements and conditions which may be provided, declared and agreed upon in any lease or agreement between them, the said Commissioners, on behalf of the said Justices of the Peace, and the said Receiver or Manager.

8. The said Commissioners, before the delivery to them of the Debentures to be issued in pursuance of the provisions of this Act, shall give bonds, with two sufficient sureties, to be approved by any General or Special Sessions of the said Justices, in such sum as the said Justices shall require, conditioned for the faithful discharge of their duties under this Act, and for the accounting for and appropriation of all money that may be received by them under the provisions thereof, which bond shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Peace for the said County; and the said Commissioners shall annually lay before the General Sessions of the said County an account, under oath duly subscribed by them, ~~of the moneys received and paid by them under the provisions of this Act.~~

9. The said Commissioners are hereby authorized and required to appropriate all such sums of money as shall be paid to them by the Collector of Rates, as hereinbefore provided, towards the purchasing in and redeeming of the Debentures issued in pursuance of the provisions of this Act.

CAP. LIV.

An Act to amend an Act intituled *An Act to incorporate the European and North American Railway Company for extension from Saint John westward.*

Sec.
1 Subscribers, to what extent liable.
2 What acts of Company legalized.

Sec.
3 To entitle Company to recover from subscriber, what notice to be given

Passed 21st April, 1863.

WHEREAS it may be doubtful whether the subscribers for shares in the capital stock of the Corporation of the European and North American Railway Company for extension from Saint John westward, are or can be made legally liable for the amount of the sum or sums by them respectively subscribed as shareholders in the said capital stock of said Company, by reason of the said capital stock of said Company being made by the said Act to incorporate said Company to