of an agent appointed by the Court imposing such fine, provided however that such fence may be dispensed with at the receiving and landing places of passengers and freight, and at such other places as fences are not usually required.

10. The annual meeting of the said Corporation shall be holden in the City of Saint John on the first Tuesday in July, or such other day as may be determined by the bye laws, in each and every year, at such time and place as the Directors for the time being shall appoint, at which meeting the Directors shall be chosen by ballot, each proprietor or stockholder by himself or herself, or his or her proxy, being entitled to as many votes as he or she holds shares; and the Directors are hereby authorized to call special meetings of stockholders whenever they shall deem it expedient and proper, giving such notice as the Corporation by their bye laws shall direct; provided always, that the omission of the stockholders to meet at any such annual meeting shall work no forfeiture, but the shareholders may afterwards be called together for the same purpose by the Directors of the said Company for the time being.

11. It shall be the duty of the said Company, after the said Railroad shall be completed, and they shall be bound at all times to keep the said Railroad in good repair, to use thereon only coal burning locomotive engines, and to have and keep thereon, for daily use, all necessary carriages and vehicles, and to run all such freight and passenger trains for the transportation of persons and property as the reasonable

accommodation of the public may require.

12. To entitle the said Corporation to the privileges of this Charter, the construction of the said line shall be commenced within three years, and the construction thereof be bona fide continued from year to year, so that the whole be completed within eight years from the passing of this Act.

## CAP. XXVIII.

An Act to authorize the County Council of the County of York to provide for a sinking fund to assist paying off the Debentures issued by the said County Council towards aiding the Fredericton Railway Company in constructing a line of Railway from Fredericton to Hartt's Mills, to connect with Western Extension.

1 County Council to create sinking

2 Assessment authorized. 3 Assessment Warrant, how issued.

Passed 11th April, 1872. WHEREAS it is deemed advisable that the County Council of the County of York should create a sinking fund for the purpose of assisting in paying off the Debentures issued under the authority of an Act made and passed in the thirtieth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act to enable the County Council of the Municipality of the County of York to aid the Fredericton Railway Company in constructing a line of Railway from Fredericton to Harti's Mills, to connect with Western Extension; -

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows :-

1. That a sinking fund shall be created by the County Council of the above Municipality, for the purpose of assisting in paying off the Debentures issued under the above recited Act, which shall be equal at least to five per cent annually, and not exceed twenty five per cent on the whole amount of Debentures issued under the authority of said recited Act, and which shall be invested in such manner as the County Council shall from time to time order or direct.

2. The County Council of the said Municipality are hereby authorized and required to make a rate or assessment in each and every year, of a sum of money sufficient to meet the amount ordered to be raised for such sinking fund, and the expense of levying, assessing and collecting, and probable loss, which shall be assessed, levied and collected in the same manner as other County rates are assessed, levied and collected, except the poll-tax, which in every assessment under the authority of this Act shall not be less than sixty cents nor more than one dollar upon every male inhabitant or resident of the said Municipality, of the age of twenty one years and upwards, not being a pauper.

3. That a separate and distinct assessment warrant shall be issued for any assessment ordered to be made by virtue

of this Act.

## CAP. XXIX.

An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Town of Portland.

Passed 11th April, 1872.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly,-

That so much of the one hundred and twenty first section of an Act made and passed in the thirty fourth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act to incorporate the Town of Portland, as provides that until otherwise agreed between the Court of Sessions and the Town Council, all assessments for County purposes shall respectively be levied and imposed in such proportions as to the amount thereof payable by the Town or Parish of Portland, as the same were levied and imposed in the year preceding the passing of that Act, be and the same is hereby repealed.

## CAP. XXX.

An Act in amendment of an Act to incorporate the New Brunswick Railway Company.

1 Certified copy of contract to be 2 Am't of Debentures to be issued; Evidence.

Passed 11th April, 1872.

WHEREAS the said Company has in terms of the Acts of Assembly relating to the said Company, entered into a contract or agreement under date the twenty fourth day of January, A. D. 1872, with Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, under the provisions of the Act made and passed in the thirty third year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act to aid the construction of certain Railway Lines in this Province, for the construction of the lines of railway from the Parish of Saint Mary's to Edmundston, in the County of Victoria, including connection with Woodstock, which contract is now on file in the Office of the Provincial Secretary; and whereas the authorized capital of the said Company is seven millions of dollars, one-half of which is to consist of Debentures, which Debentures cannot now be issued to a greater extent than fifteen thousand dollars per mile; and whereas it is desirable to provide a simple mode of proving the said contract, and also to enlage the powers of the said Company as to the issue of Debentures;—

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows:-

1. That a copy of the said contract or agreement between the said Company and Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, referred to in the recital to this Act, duly certified by the Provincial Secretary for the time being, under his hand, to