An Act to provide for the Construction of a Railway from Salisbury to a point at or near Long Plains, and for other purposes.

[Assented to, December 18th, 1913.]

Be it Enacted by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as “The Salisbury to Long Plains Railway Act, 1913.”

2. The Acts mentioned in the Schedule, so far as they are severally applicable, but with the exceptions stated in the Schedule, and all Acts amending or substituted for any of those Acts, or any such amending or substituted Act, are incorporated with this Act.

3. (1) The South Australian Railways Commissioner (hereinafter called “the Commissioner”) may—

i. construct a railway (hereinafter called “the said railway”) from Salisbury to a point at or near Long Plains, as the said railway is delineated in the plan deposited in the office of the Surveyor-General, in Adelaide, signed “J. C. B. Moncrieff, Chief Engineer for Railways,” and dated the ninth day of December, nineteen hundred and thirteen, or as the said railway is delineated in any plans so deposited after the passing of this Act pursuant to any law for the time being in force as to the deposit of such plans;

ii. construct
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11. construct all proper works and conveniences connected with, or for the purposes of, the said railway or any part thereof, or of the said railway and any other railway; and

111. maintain the said railway and all works and conveniences hereinbefore mentioned.

(2) In case the Houses of Parliament are not sitting at the time when any plans and books of reference as to the railway to be constructed under the authority of this Act are deposited in the office of the Surveyor-General under section 9 of “The Railways Clauses Act, 1876,” the Commissioner may make deviations under the said section before causing copies of such plans and books of reference to be laid before Parliament, but such copies shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen days after the next sittings of such Houses respectively.

4. (1) The Commissioner—

(a) may call for tenders for the construction of the said railway to be sent in within such time, to such place, and to be upon and subject to such terms, conditions, and provisions as he deems advisable, and may accept or reject any tender:

(b) if tenders are not called for, or if no tender is accepted under paragraph (a) hereof, may himself construct the said railway, and, if he thinks proper, may for such purpose contract by petty contracts or on piecework rates for the construction of any part or parts thereof.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in this Act, the Commissioner may construct the said railway in sections, as he may find convenient, instead of as one work, and in that case subsection (1) hereof shall apply in respect of each such section.

5. The gauge of the said railway shall be five feet three inches, and the rails to be used in the construction thereof shall be of iron or steel, and of the weight of not less than eighty pounds to the yard.

6. The Commissioner may demand for the use of the said railway, and in respect thereof, and for the carriage of goods, stock, minerals, mails, parcels, and passengers thereon, and for the loading and unloading of goods, minerals, mails, and stock, such fares, tolls, charges, and rates as are from time to time fixed by the Commissioner, in manner prescribed by any Act or Acts under which the Commissioner may fix fares, tolls, charges, and rates in respect of the railways under his control.

7. All fares, tolls, rents, dues, charges, rates, and sums of money which are received under authority of this Act shall be paid, in such manner as is prescribed by the Governor, to the Treasurer of the said State for the public purposes of the said State.

8. With
8. With respect to any land purchased or taken by the Commissioner for the purposes of this Act, or with respect to which he exercises for such purposes any of the powers conferred by any of the Acts incorporated with this Act, if the amount of compensation to be paid to any owner thereof is not determined by agreement in writing, signed by or on behalf of such owner and the Commissioner, within twenty-one days after the Commissioner has given notice to such owner, as required by section 18 of "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act," that he requires to purchase or take such land, or that he desires to have the compensation for the exercise of the said powers fixed, as the case may be, the amount of compensation shall be determined by arbitration in the following manner:

I. The Commissioner may give notice in writing to such owner of his intention to have the compensation settled by arbitration, and may, by the same or a subsequent notice in writing to such owner, nominate and appoint an arbitrator to act in the reference on behalf of the Commissioner:

II. Such owner may, within twenty-one days after the giving of such notice appointing an arbitrator, give notice in writing to the Commissioner agreeing that such arbitrator shall be sole arbitrator, or nominating and appointing another arbitrator to act in the reference on behalf of such owner:

III. Each such notice nominating and appointing an arbitrator, or agreeing to the appointment of a sole arbitrator, shall be deemed a submission to arbitration on the part of the party by whom the same is given; and after the giving of any such notice neither party shall have power to revoke the appointment thereby made or such submission without the consent in writing of the other party, nor shall the death of either party operate as a revocation:

IV. Unless such owner, within twenty-one days after the giving by the Commissioner as aforesaid of notice nominating and appointing an arbitrator gives notice to the Commissioner, as provided by paragraph II. hereof, agreeing that such arbitrator shall be sole arbitrator or nominating and appointing another arbitrator, the Commissioner may appoint the arbitrator nominated and appointed by him to act on behalf of both parties; and such arbitrator shall proceed to hear and determine the matter and shall give his award determining the price and compensation (if any) to be paid:

V. All the provisions of sections 26 to 35 inclusive of "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act" shall, mutatis mutandis, apply with respect to the determination of the compensation:

VI. No.
vi. No notice, appointment, or award made under this section shall be set aside or be invalid for irregularity or error in matter of form:

vii. Every award under this section of arbitrators, or of a single arbitrator (in a case where it is agreed, as mentioned in paragraph 11. hereof, that an arbitrator shall be the sole arbitrator, or where a single arbitrator is authorized by this section to give an award), or of an umpire, shall be final: Provided always that where an arbitrator or umpire has misconducted himself the Court may remove him, and that where an arbitrator has misconducted himself, or an arbitration or award has been improperly procured, the Court may set the award aside. “Court” in this paragraph means the Supreme Court or a Judge thereof:

viii. A submission to arbitration under this section shall have the same effect as if it had been made an order of the Supreme Court; and an award under this section may be enforced in the same manner as a judgment or order of the said Court to the same effect:

ix. In this section—

(a) the word “owner” includes, with respect to any land, any person having any estate or interest (legal or equitable) in the land, or any easement, right, power, or privilege in, under, over, affecting, or in connection with the land, or by the “Lands Clauses Consolidation Act” enabled to sell and convey, transfer, release, assign, or otherwise assure such estate, interest, easement, right, power, or privilege; and

(b) the word “land” includes any estate or interest (legal or equitable) in land, and any easement, right, or privilege in, under, over, affecting, or in connection with land.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

DAY H. BOSANQUET, Governor.
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THE SCHEDULE.

Ordinance No. 6 of 1847.—"The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act," except Section 2 sections 9, 12 to 17 inclusive, 21 to 25 inclusive, 38 to 62 inclusive, 64 to 68 inclusive, 110, 114 to 120 inclusive, 136, and 137.

Act No. 26 of 1856-6, being an Act to amend "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act," except sections 1, 4, and 6.

Act No. 204 of 1881.—"The Lands Clauses Consolidation Amendment Act, 1881," except sections 5 to 11 inclusive.

Act No. 1035 of 1911.—"The Lands Clauses Consolidation Further Amendment Act, 1911."

Act No. 7 of 1847.—"The Railways Clauses Consolidation Act."

Act No. 6 of 1858, being an Act to amend "The Railways Clauses Consolidation Act."

Act No. 32 of 1876.—"The Railways Clauses Act, 1876."

Act No. 414 of 1887.—"The South Australian Railways Commissioners Act, 1887."

Act No. 512 of 1891.—"The South Australian Railways Commissioners Act Amendment Act, 1891."

Act No. 612 of 1894.—"The South Australian Railways Commissioners Act Amendment Act, 1894."

Act No. 912 of 1906.—"The South Australian Railways Commissioners Further Amendment Act, 1906."

Act No. 988 of 1909.—"The South Australian Railways Commissioners Act Amendment Act, 1909."