Act No. 37, 1899.

An Act to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Goulburn to Crookwell, provided that before commencing the said work certain land required is contracted to be conveyed to the Crown; to amend the provisions of the Public Works Act of 1888, so far as they relate to the duty of the Constructing Authority to make and maintain fences along the said line of railway; to authorise the construction of the said line on public roads; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act of 1888, the Legislative Assembly did, by resolution, declare that it was expedient to carry out a certain work, namely, the construction of a line of railway from Goulburn to Crookwell: And whereas on the passing of the said resolution a statutory duty was imposed on the Secretary for Public Works to introduce a Bill into the said Assembly to sanction the carrying out of the said work: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. The carrying out of the said work (more particularly described in the Schedule to this Act) is hereby sanctioned; and the Secretary for Public Works, or the Member of the Executive Council for the time being performing the duties of the said Secretary, is hereby authorised to undertake and carry out the said work, subject to the provisions of this Act, and for that purpose shall be, and shall have the powers and duties of, a Constructing Authority within the meaning of the Public Works Act of 1888:

Provided that the said work shall not be commenced until the land (not being land within two miles of the boundaries of the municipality of Goulburn or one-half mile of the surveyed boundary of the town of Crookwell) which, in the opinion of the said Secretary or Member is required for the carrying out of the said work, is contracted
contracted to be conveyed free of cost to the Crown. It shall be lawful for all parties being seized, possessed of, or entitled to any such land or any estate or interest therein, to contract, to give and convey, or release, and to give and convey or release the same, to the said Secretary or Member for and on behalf of Her Majesty, and the parties who are by section thirty-six of the Public Works Act of 1888 empowered to sell and convey or release lands which may be acquired under that Act are, if so seized, possessed, or entitled as aforesaid, hereby empowered to contract, to give and convey, or release, and to give and convey or release land so required for the carrying out of the said work for and on behalf of the same persons respectively, for and on behalf of whom they are empowered to sell and convey or release lands under that section.

2. The plan of the said work is the plan marked "Goulburn to Crookwell Railway," signed by the Secretary for Public Works and countersigned by the Engineer-in-Chief for Railway Construction, and deposited in the public office of the said Secretary.

3. The cost of carrying out the said work, estimated at one hundred and fifty-three thousand nine hundred and forty-five pounds, may be defrayed from such Loan Votes as are now or may hereafter be applicable to that purpose, and shall not under any circumstances exceed the estimated cost by more than ten per centum.

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of section one hundred and six of the Public Works Act of 1888 the Constructing Authority shall not be required or compelled nor shall it be the duty of the said Authority to make or maintain any fence along the said line of railway for the accommodation of any person or for any purpose whatsoever; but the said Authority may, in its discretion, make and maintain such fences in connection with the said line of railway as it may think fit.

5. The said line of railway may be constructed on or along or by the side of any public road or highway.

6. This Act may be cited as the "Goulburn to Crookwell Railway Act, 1899."

SCHEDULE.

Goulburn to Crookwell Railway.

This line commences by a junction with the Great Southern Railway at one hundred and thirty-four miles forty-four chains forty-one links from Sydney, crossing the Wollondilly River, and proceeding in a northerly direction to railway reserve one hundred and eighty-seven; thence north-westerly via Woodhousie to M'Allister; thence west by south to Crookwell, where it ends at one hundred and seventy miles six chains sixty-four links from Sydney, being a total distance of thirty-five miles forty-two chains twenty-three links, and subject to such deviations and modifications as may be considered desirable by the Constructing Authority.