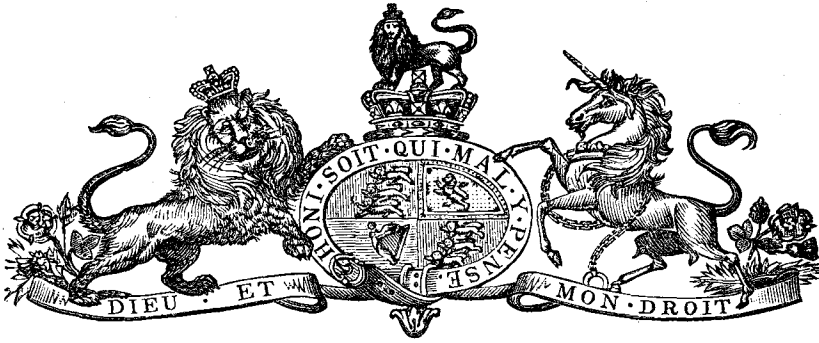


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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 39.

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AN ACT to authorise *Edwin Charles Elliott* A.D. 1891.  
to construct and maintain a Railway from a  
point on the *Deloraine* and *Chudleigh* Railway  
to a point in or near the Town of *Zeehan*, or  
to a point on the *Derwent Valley* and *Zeehan*  
Railway. [17 November, 1891.]

WHEREAS it would be greatly to the public advantage that the Silver Fields at *Zeehan* and *Dundas* should be connected with the northern portion of *Tasmania* by a line of Railway : PREAMBLE.

And whereas it is desirable that authority should be conferred by Parliament on *Edwin Charles Elliott*, of *Melbourne*, in the Colony of *Victoria*, to construct and maintain a Railway from *Chudleigh*, or from some point on the Government Railway from *Deloraine* to *Chudleigh*, to the *Zeehan* and *Dundas* Silver Fields, or to some point on the *Derwent Valley* and *Zeehan* Railway :

And whereas it is also desirable that power should be given to the said *Edwin Charles Elliott* to transfer all the rights, privileges, powers, and authorities hereinafter conferred upon him to any Company duly incorporated and capable of accepting a transfer and assignment of the same :

Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of *Tasmania*, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows :—

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Short title.

Interpretation.

**1** This Act may be cited for all purposes as “The *Chudleigh and Zeehan Railway Act*.”

**2** In the construction and for the purposes of this Act the following terms shall, if not inconsistent with the context or subject-matter, have the respective meanings hereby assigned to them :—

“Crown Lands” or “Crown land” shall mean any lands in the Colony which are or may become vested in the Crown, and have not been and are not dedicated to some public use, and includes all lands of the Crown which are or may be occupied for pastoral or mining or other purposes under any lease or licence issued or applied for in pursuance of any Act of Parliament of this Colony :

“Person” includes “Company” :

“Company” includes every company, association, partnership, or firm, whether corporate or unincorporate, and wheresoever and howsoever incorporated, associated, or formed, which carries on business in this Colony :

“The said lease” means the lease made under Section Three of this Act, or any renewal thereof, or any lease or leases of any branch line or lines of railway which may be issued under the authority of this Act :

“The said lessee” or “the lessee” includes any persons who are lessees, assignees, transferees, or under-lessees under the said lease :

“Land previously leased” means land comprised in any lease or licence issued in pursuance of any Act of Parliament of this Colony :

“The first lessee” means any “person” entitled to occupy any “land previously leased :”

“The Commissioner” shall mean (1) any one of the Commissioners of Goldfields for *Tasmania* ; (2) any one of the Commissioners of Mines :

“Minister” shall mean the Minister of Lands and Works for the time being :

“The *Deloraine and Chudleigh Railway*” shall mean the railway as now constructed from *Deloraine* to *Chudleigh*, and any future extension thereof :

“The said railway” or “the railway” shall mean the railway mentioned in the Section next hereinafter contained, and any branch line or lines of railway which may at any time be constructed under the authority of this Act, or of any lease which may be issued thereunder :

“Road or street” or “public road or street” shall include any railway or tramway.

Lease may be granted for purpose of constructing railway.

**3** It shall be lawful for the Minister, with the consent of the Governor in Council, to grant to *Edwin Charles Elliott*, for a term of Twenty-one years, at a nominal rental, and in accordance with the provisions of this Act, a lease of any Crown Land not exceeding one chain in width, for the construction and maintenance and working of a railway from a point on the *Deloraine and Chudleigh Railway* to a point in or near the Town of *Zeehan*, or to a point on the *Derwent Valley and Zeehan Railway*, and also such area of Crown Land for all stations, sidings, crossings, side-cuttings, cuttings, embankments, and con-

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veniences in connection with the said railway as may be proper, subject to such covenants, terms, and conditions as to the Governor in Council may seem fit. A.D. 1891.

**4** The said lease, in addition to providing for the construction and maintenance of the said railway in accordance with the stipulations and conditions hereinafter contained, and in accordance with such other conditions and stipulations not inconsistent with this Act as the Governor in Council may deem necessary to secure the efficient construction, maintenance, and working of the said railway, shall provide— Conditions and stipulations of lease.

- i. That the lessee shall properly fence the said railway in all places in which he shall be required by adjoining proprietors, or by the Minister, to do so :
- ii. That the lessee shall carry on the said railway all mails which the Postmaster-General shall require him to carry thereon, for such reasonable compensation as may from time to time be agreed upon by him and the Postmaster-General :
- iii. For a renewal of the said lease for a further term not exceeding Twenty-one years, upon and subject to all the conditions herein prescribed, and all the provisions of this Act :
- iv. That the said lease shall be forfeited if—
  - (a) The construction of the railway is not commenced and continued in a *bonâ fide* manner within Twelve months from the date of this Act :
  - (b) The said railway is not completed, fully equipped, and ready for traffic, to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council, within Four years from the date of this Act, or within such further time, not exceeding Six months, as the Governor in Council may see fit to allow :
  - (c) The said railway is not at any time during the continuance of the said lease without reasonable cause properly and efficiently maintained and worked in accordance with the provisions of this Act :
  - (d) The said lessee does not provide and maintain engines and rolling-stock sufficient for the conveyance of passengers and the tonnage which may be offered for carriage on the said railway to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Government Railways :
  - (e) The conditions of the said lease are not all duly performed.

**5** The said lease shall operate and take effect as a licence to the said lessee to form, maintain, and work the said railway, but shall not confer any right or title to any mines or minerals. Effect of lease.

**6** The said railway shall be constructed and worked from a point to be approved by the Governor in Council on the *Deloraine* and *Chudleigh* Railway to a point to be approved by the Governor in Council in or near the Town of *Zeehan*, or to a point to be approved by the Governor in Council on the *Derwent Valley* and *Zeehan* Railway, and shall have a gauge of not less than Two feet Six inches, with curves of a radius of not less than Two and one half chains, and steel rails of not less than Forty-three pounds to the yard, and a grade not steeper than One in Forty. Length, gauge, grade, &c. of railway.

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Railway to be  
constructed in  
substantial  
manner, &c.

**7** The said railway shall be constructed in a substantial manner for the carriage of vehicles at a rate of not less than Ten miles per hour with a load of not less than Three tons upon each axle of every vehicle, and shall be maintained and worked by the said lessee, in accordance with the provisions of this Act and subject thereto, to the satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Chief.

Before com-  
mencing to  
construct railway  
lessees to deposit  
plans with the  
Minister.

**8** Before the said lessee shall commence to construct the said railway, he shall deposit with the Minister a plan of the line of the said railway and of the lands through which it is to pass; and the Minister may require such alterations as he thinks necessary to be made in the plan deposited with him as aforesaid in order to bring the same into accordance with the provisions of this Act: Provided always that the detailed plans, sections, and specifications of the said railway shall from time to time be lodged with the Minister as the construction of the said railway proceeds, and the lessee shall construct the said railway in accordance with the plans, sections, and specifications so deposited with the Minister, and thereafter approved of by him, with such alterations therein as he may have approved or required to be made.

Lessee may make  
alterations in  
plans.

**9** The said lessee may from time to time during the construction of the said railway make such alterations in the plans, sections, and specifications thereof deposited with the Minister as aforesaid as the Minister may from time to time approve.

Railway may be  
inspected during  
construction.

**10** The Governor in Council may from time to time appoint one or more officers to inspect the said railway during the construction thereof, and it shall be lawful for every officer so appointed for the purpose aforesaid from time to time to enter upon the said railway during the construction thereof and to inspect the manner in which the same is being constructed, and the condition and state of repair thereof; and the Minister, upon the report of any such officer as aforesaid, may require the lessee to make such additions or repairs to the said railway as may be necessary to make the said railway comply with the plans, sections, and specifications thereof as approved of by the Minister or to ensure the safety of the said railway; and the lessee shall, within such time as the Minister shall require, make all such additions or repairs to the said railway as the Minister shall so require as aforesaid.

Railway not to  
be used until  
Engineer certifies.

No part of the said railway shall be opened for public traffic until the Engineer-in-Chief or such officer as the Minister may appoint has certified that such part of the said railway has been efficiently constructed, and all the rolling stock to be used thereon is in good and efficient condition and repair, and may be safely used for public traffic thereon.

Railway to be  
kept in proper  
repair.

**11** After the said railway is completed the said lessee shall properly and efficiently maintain and work the said railway; and the Minister may from time to time appoint one or more officers to inspect the said railway and to report upon the state and condition of repair thereof and the manner in which the same is being maintained and worked; and it shall be lawful for every officer so appointed for the purpose aforesaid from time to time to enter upon the said railway and to inspect the same and all the rolling-stock thereof, and the manner in which the said railway is being worked; and the Minister may, upon the report of any such officer as aforesaid, require the

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lessee to make such repairs to the said railway and such repairs or additions to the rolling-stock thereof as may be necessary to ensure the safety of the said railway or of the passengers travelling thereon, or the efficient maintenance and working of the said railway in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the stipulations and conditions of the said lease; and the lessee shall, within such time as the Minister shall require, make all such repairs and additions to the said railway and the rolling-stock thereof as the Minister shall so require as aforesaid. A.D. 1891.

**12** It shall be lawful for the said lessee from time to time to demand take, collect, levy, and make such reasonable tolls, rates, fares, and charges for the carriage and conveyance of passengers, goods, merchandise, live stock, chattels, and other things of every description, over and along the said railway, as may from time to time be fixed by any by-law to be made as hereinafter mentioned; but such tolls, rates, fares, and charges for the carriage and conveyance of passengers shall not at any time exceed Four-pence per mile for First-class passengers, and Three-pence per mile for Second-class passengers, and for the carriage and conveyance of goods, merchandise, and live stock shall not at any time exceed double the rates of the Tasmanian Government Railways as set forth in the Manual of Rates in force at the time of the passing of this Act; but a truck load shall be computed at Three tons. When the carrying capacity of a truck shall exceed Three tons the weight loaded over that quantity (if consigned) will be charged *pro ratâ*. Rates and tolls.

Provided that Members of the Parliament of *Tasmania* shall be entitled to travel free on the said line.

**13** In case default is made in payment of any money due and payable, under the authority of this Act, in respect of the carriage or conveyance of any passenger or any goods, merchandise, live stock, chattels, or other things of every description, or the demurrage or storage of any goods or merchandise, the same may be recovered by the lessee in a summary way before any Justice of the Peace; and it shall be lawful for the lessee to detain the goods, merchandise, live stock, chattels, or other things in respect of which such money is payable until the same shall have been fully paid and satisfied; and also if such goods, merchandise, or other things have been detained during a period of not less than Six months, to sell the same or so much thereof as may be necessary by public auction to be duly advertised, and to apply the proceeds in or towards satisfying the money so due and payable, and the balance, if any, shall be paid to the owner of the said goods, and any goods unsold shall be returned to the owner. Rates and tolls may be recovered.

**14** It shall be lawful for the Minister, with the consent of Parliament, from time to time to enter into an agreement with the said lessee whereby the Minister shall undertake either to maintain and work the said Railway, or to maintain or work the same, and to provide all locomotives, carriages, wagons, and other rolling-stock necessary for that purpose, together with the requisite staff of officers and men as may be necessary, subject to such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon by the Minister and the lessees. Minister may agree to maintain and work railway.

**15** The Minister may from time to time enter into an agreement with the said lessees whereby the engines, carriages, waggons, and other vehicles of the said lessees, and the passengers, goods, merchandise, and Minister may grant running powers, &c.

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live stock conveyed thereby, may pass over and along any part of any railway belonging to the Government of *Tasmania* upon payment by the said lessees to the Minister of reasonable tolls and compensation for so doing, and subject to the observance of all reasonable conditions and restrictions: Provided that no agreement entered into under the provisions of this Section shall be for a longer period than Five years.

Minister may  
renew lease.

**16** It shall be lawful for the Minister, with the consent of Parliament, from time to time at or after the expiration of the said lease, to grant a renewal thereof to the lessee for a further term not exceeding Twenty-one years, upon and subject to all the conditions herein prescribed and all the provisions of this Act, so far as the same may be applicable.

Minister may  
resume land upon  
notice.

**17** It shall be lawful for the Minister, with the consent of Parliament, at any time after the expiration of Twenty-one years from the date of the said lease, or at any time after any renewal of the said lease, to give the said lessee notice of the intention of the Crown to resume the land comprised in the said lease and in any other lease granted under the authority of this Act, at the expiration of Six months after the date of such notice, and to take and acquire the permanent way, rolling-stock, and equipment of the said railway, and all land and buildings belonging thereto, and to compensate the said lessees as hereinafter provided.

Until such resumption or any forfeiture of the said lease shall have taken place, all the rights, powers, privileges, benefits, concessions, advantages, and liabilities conferred and imposed upon the said lessee by this Act or by any lease thereunder shall, so far as the same may be applicable, continue in force in like manner and to the like effect as if the said lease was still undetermined.

Compensation  
upon resumption  
of land comprised  
in lease.

**18** The amount of compensation to be paid to the lessee upon the resumption by the Crown of the land comprised in the said lease shall be the actual cost of *bonâ fide* construction work (exclusive of any Promoters' expenses), with an amount added equal to Twenty per centum on such cost of construction, and the value of all equipment, rolling stock, appliances, goods, and chattels of the said lessees used or intended for use on or in connection with the said railway.

Provided that if at the time of such resumption the said railway shall not be in good and efficient repair and condition, and sufficient in all respects for the traffic thereof, then the sum necessary to put the said railway in such repair and condition as aforesaid shall be deducted from the sum that would otherwise be payable to the said lessees as such compensation, and in case of dispute shall be settled by arbitration as hereinafter provided.

If Governor and  
lessee cannot  
agree, may  
proceed to  
arbitration.

**19** In the event of the Governor in Council and the said lessee not agreeing upon the sum to be paid to the said lessee upon the resumption by the Crown of the land comprised in the said lease, the question shall be referred to the determination of Five arbitrators, Two of whom shall be appointed by the Governor in Council and Two of whom shall be appointed by the said lessee, and the Fifth arbitrator shall be appointed by the Four other arbitrators.

If lessee fail to  
appoint  
arbitrators.

**20** If the said lessee fail or refuse to appoint Two arbitrators for the purpose aforesaid within a period of Three months after having

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received notice in writing from the Minister so to do, it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to appoint Two arbitrators to act with the Two arbitrators appointed by the Governor in Council, and such Four arbitrators shall appoint a Fifth arbitrator, and the Five arbitrators so appointed shall determine the price or sum to be paid by the Crown upon the resumption of the land comprised in the said lease. A.D. 1891.

**21** If any vacancy shall occur among the arbitrators before they have fixed such price or sum as aforesaid, such vacancy shall be filled up by the appointment of another arbitrator by the same authority by which the arbitrator whose place has become vacant was appointed. Vacancy in arbitrators.

**22** For the purpose of ascertaining the actual cost of *bonâ fide* construction work under this Act, the lessee shall, from year to year, submit to the Auditor-General accounts and proper vouchers of all construction works; and upon computing the amount of compensation to be paid to the lessee in the event of the lease and the works connected and used therewith being resumed, the amount of the accounts as passed by the Auditor-General shall be deemed to be the actual cost of the construction of the railway. Accounts of cost of construction to be submitted to Auditor-General.

**23** The accounts of the lessee in and about the construction of the railway shall be subject to all the provisions of "The Audit Act, 1888," in the same manner in all respects as if such accounts had been specifically mentioned therein. Accounts of construction subject to 52 Vict. No. 43.

**24** In addition to the land comprised in the said lease, the said lessee may purchase, acquire, and take such other land as may be necessary for the purposes of this Act, or of any railway constructed thereunder; and the cost of so purchasing, acquiring, and taking such other land, and the cost of all buildings or other works constructed on the same, shall be included in the cost of construction works mentioned in Section Eighteen. Power to purchase land.

**25** For the purpose of enabling the said lessee to purchase, acquire, and take other land as hereinbefore provided, *The Lands Clauses Act* shall, except as hereby varied, be incorporated with this Act; but there shall not be incorporated with this Act Sections Eight and Nine of the said *Lands Clauses Act*. *The Lands Clauses Act* incorporated. 21 Vict. No. 11.

In the construction of this Act and the said incorporated Act this Act shall be deemed to be the Special Act, and the said lessee shall be deemed to be the "Promoter of the undertaking."

**26** Upon the railway being completed and opened for traffic no new works of construction in connection with the railway shall be commenced or carried out without the consent of the Governor in Council, and in the event of such works being carried out without such consent such works should not be deemed construction works for the purpose of computing the amount of compensation upon the resumption of the lease as aforesaid. New construction works to be approved by Governor in Council.

**27**—(1.) After the said railway is completed and opened for traffic, the Minister may from time to time, with the consent of the Governor in Council, grant to the lessee for the unexpired residue of the term Minister may grant lease for branch line of railway.

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of the said lease a lease of any piece of Crown land not exceeding One chain in width, for the construction thereon of such branch lines of railway from the said railway to such termini as may be determined upon by the said lessee and approved by the Governor in Council, and also such area of Crown land for all stations, sidings, crossings, side-cuttings, cuttings, embankments, and conveniences in connection with the said branch lines of railway as may be necessary or proper.

(2.) Any such lease shall be subject to the provisions of this Act, so far as the same may be applicable, and shall contain such of the provisions and stipulations hereby required to be contained in the said first-mentioned lease as the Governor in Council may think necessary or applicable to such branch lines, and shall be renewable in like manner with the said lease.

(3.) The length of any such branch line shall not exceed Ten miles, but the grade of any such branch line may, with the approval of the Governor in Council, be steeper than one in forty.

Lessee not to be liable to a greater extent than common carriers.

**28** Nothing in this Act contained shall extend to charge or make liable the said lessee further or in any other case than where according to the Laws of this Colony stage-coach proprietors and common carriers would be liable, nor shall extend in any degree to deprive the said lessee of any protection or privilege which common carriers or stage-coach proprietors may be entitled to, but, on the contrary, he shall at all times be entitled to the benefit of every such protection and privilege.

Authority to employ locomotive engines, carriages, and other locomotive powers, &c.

**29** It shall be lawful for the said lessee to use and employ locomotive engines or other moving power, and carriages and waggons to be drawn or propelled thereby, and to carry and convey upon the railway all such passengers, goods, and things of every kind, and live stock of every kind as shall be offered for that purpose, and to make and sue for such charges in respect thereof as hereinbefore specified: Provided, that all such tolls be at all times charged equally to all persons and after the same rate in respect to all passengers, goods, things, cattle, and live stock as aforesaid of the like number or quantity, on carriages of the same description, and conveyed or propelled by a like carriage or engine passing only over the same portion of the line of railway under the same circumstances: and no reduction or advance in any such tolls shall be made either directly or indirectly in favour of or against any particular company or person travelling upon or using the railway.

Penalty for bringing dangerous goods on the railway.

**30** No person shall be entitled to carry, or to require to be carried, upon the railway, any aquafortis, oil of vitriol, gunpowder, lucifer matches, or any goods which in the judgment of any person employed on the railway may be of a dangerous nature; and if any persons sends by the railway any such goods without distinctly marking their nature on the outside of the package containing the same, or otherwise giving notice in writing to the book-keeper or other person employed as aforesaid with whom the same are left at the time of so sending, he shall forfeit a sum of not less than Two Pounds nor more than Twenty Pounds for every such offence; and it shall be lawful for the person to whom the same is tendered to refuse to take any parcel suspected to contain goods of a dangerous nature, or he may require the same to be opened to ascertain the fact.



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**31** The power hereinbefore conferred upon the said lessee to purchase and take land under the provisions of *The Lands Clauses Act* shall not enable him to purchase or take any public road or street, but the Governor in Council may, by the said lease or at any time thereafter, grant to the said lessee the power to construct the said railway across or under or over any specified public road or street, subject to such conditions as may be thought fit, and the said lessee shall thereupon have power to construct the said railway across any such public road or street.

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Power to cross roads and streets.

**32** Where the said railway crosses any public road or street on a level, the said lessee shall erect, and at all times maintain, good and sufficient gates across such road or street on each side of the said railway where the same shall communicate therewith, and shall employ proper persons to open and shut such gates; and such gates shall be kept constantly closed across such road or street on each side of the said railway where the same shall communicate therewith, and the said lessee shall employ proper persons to open and shut such gates, and such gates shall be kept constantly closed across such road or street on both sides of the said railway, except during the time when horses, cattle, carts, or carriages passing along the same shall have to cross the said railway; and such gates shall be of such dimensions and so constructed as when closed to fence in the said railway and prevent cattle or horses passing along the road from entering upon the said railway, and the persons entrusted with the care of such gates shall cause the same to be closed as soon as such horses, cattle, carts, or carriages shall have passed through the same, under a penalty of Forty Shillings for every default therein:

Gates to be erected where roads are crossed on a level.

Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Minister, in any case in which the Governor in Council may be satisfied that it will be more conducive to the public safety that the gates on any level crossing over any such road or street should be kept closed across the said railway, to order that such gates shall be kept so closed instead of across the road or street, and in such case such gates shall be kept constantly closed across the said railway, except when engines or carriages passing along the said railway shall have occasion to cross such road or street, in the same manner and under the like penalty as above directed with respect to the gates being kept closed across the roads or streets.

**33** Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, it shall be lawful for the lessee, with the consent of the Minister, to make and use cattle-guards instead of gates in any place where the railway crosses any public street or road; and such cattle-guards shall be so made and maintained as to effectually prevent the straying of horses, cattle, sheep, or other animals from such street or road to the railway: Provided that any such street or road be not thereby decreased in width at the crossing, and that the railway be securely fenced at such points.

Cattle-guards may be used in place of gates.

**34** In every case in which the said lessee shall make and use cattle-guards instead of gates in any place where the railway crosses any public street or road, he shall erect a notice-board on each side of the said railway at every such crossing warning travellers as to passing trains, and whenever any train is approaching such crossing the engine-whistle shall be sounded: Provided that the rate of speed of a train while passing any such crossing on any street in a Town shall in no case exceed Five miles per hour.

Measure of precaution to be adopted.

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Crossing of  
private roads.

**35** Where the said railway crosses any private or occupation road on a level the said lessee shall allow Twelve feet of the said railway for the same; and from time to time the said lessee may make and maintain other private level crossings or occupation roads when and at such places as the said lessees may think fit, and shall allow Twelve feet of the said railway for all such roads; and in all such cases the said lessee shall likewise erect and maintain good and sufficient field-gates, set and placed in the line of the fence on each side of the said railway, and all such field-gates shall also be opened and shut by the person and persons using and passing through the same as soon as he and the carriage, cattle or other animals under his care have passed through the same.

Bridges how to  
be constructed  
over any road.

**36** Every bridge to be erected for the purpose of carrying the railway over any road shall be built in conformity with the following regulations; namely:—

The width of the arch shall be such as to have thereunder a clear space of not less than thirty feet if the arch be over a main road, and of twenty feet if over a cross or bye road, and of twelve feet if over a private road.

The clear height of the arch from the surface of the road shall be not less than sixteen feet for a space of twelve feet if the arch be over a main road, and fifteen feet for a span of ten feet if over a cross or bye road, and in each of such cases the clear height at the spring of the arch shall not be less than twelve feet; the clear height of the arch for a space of nine feet shall not be less than fourteen feet over a private road.

The descent to be made in the road in order to carry the same under the bridge shall not be more than one foot in thirty feet if the bridge be over a main road, one foot in twenty feet if over a cross or bye road, and one foot in sixteen feet if over a private road not being a tramroad, or if the same be a tramroad or railroad the descent shall not be greater than the ruling gradient of such tramroad or railroad:

And every bridge erected for carrying any road over the railroad shall be built in conformity with the following regulations; that is to say:—

There shall be a good and sufficient fence on each side of the bridge of not less height than four feet, and on each side of the immediate approaches of such bridge of not less three feet. The road over the bridge shall have a clear space between the fences thereof of thirty-five feet if the road be a main road, and twenty-five feet if it be a cross or bye road, and twelve feet if a private road. The ascent shall not be more than one foot in thirty feet if the road be a main road, and one foot in twenty feet if a cross or bye road, and one foot in sixteen feet if a private road not being a tramroad or railroad, or if the same be a tramroad or railroad the ascent shall not be greater than the ruling gradient of such tramroad or railroad:

Provided always, that in all cases where the average available width for the passing of carriages of any existing road within fifty yards of the point of crossing the same is less than the width hereinbefore prescribed for bridges over or under the railway, the width of the bridges need not be greater than such average available width of such roads, but so nevertheless that such bridges be not of less width in case of a main road or cross or bye road than twenty feet: Provided also, that if at any time after the construction of the railway the average available width of

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any such land shall be increased beyond the width of such bridge or on either side thereof, the said lessee shall be bound at his own expense to increase the width of the said bridge to such extent as they may be required by the Trustees or Surveyors of such road, not exceeding the width of such road as so widened or the maximum width herein prescribed for a bridge in the like case over or under the railway: Provided also, that if the mesne inclination of any road within two hundred and fifty yards of the point of crossing the same, or the inclination of such portion of any road as may be required to be altered, or for which another road shall be substituted, shall be steeper than the inclination hereinbefore required to be preserved by the said lessee, then he may carry any such road over or under the railway, or may construct or alter any such substituted road at an inclination not steeper than the said mesne inclination of the road so to be crossed, or of the road so requiring to be altered, or for which another road shall be substituted.

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**37** The said railway shall, so far as possible, be so made as not to impede, injure, prevent, or interrupt any ordinary or rightful traffic upon any public road or street, and so as not to increase the cost of making, maintaining, repairing, and upholding the same: Provided always, that if at any time complaint shall be made to a Justice of the Peace by or on behalf of the person in whom any such road or street is vested, or under whose control the same may be, that the provisions of this Section are being infringed by the lessee, it shall be lawful for any two Justices of the Peace in Petty Sessions assembled, at any time before the completion of the works complained of as in contravention of this Section, to make such order upon the lessee for securing due compliance by them with the provisions hereof as such Justices may deem necessary. In default of compliance with such order, the lessee shall be liable to pay to the person by or on whose behalf the complaint is made a penalty not exceeding the sum of Five Pounds for each such default, and also to pay to such person the cost, to be assessed and determined by any Two Justices in Petty Sessions assembled, of remedying every such impediment, injury, prevention, or interruption as in this Section mentioned, and all such penalties and costs shall be recoverable in the mode prescribed by *The Magistrates Summary Procedure Act*.

Penalty for  
injuring any road  
or street.

**38** The lessee shall from time to time make good, repair, and amend all damage which may be done by him to or upon any public road or street, in, through, over, or along which the said railway is constructed; and in case of his refusal or neglect so to do after reasonable notice given, and upon such repairs or amendments being effected by or on behalf of the person in whom the said public road or street is vested, or under whose control the same may be, the cost of such repairs or amendments shall be assessed and determined, and may be recovered by or on behalf of such person, in like manner with the costs mentioned in the next preceding Section.

Lessee to repair  
damages.

**39** The railway shall, whenever its course is over or along any public road or street, be laid at or about the general level of such road or street; and the lessee may, with the consent of the local authority having control of such road or street, alter and improve the levels of such road or street: Provided, that all expenses incurred in the re-

Roads to be  
crossed on a  
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formation of such road or street so altered and improved shall be borne by the lessee unless otherwise agreed upon.

Materials from  
private land.

**40** The said lessee, for the purpose of constructing, repairing, and maintaining the said railway, may, after Fourteen days' notice to the owner or occupier, enter upon any uncultivated land, and may fell, carry away, and use indigenous timber, except when the same is used for ornament or shelter to any dwelling-house, and may also dig, quarry, carry away, and use clay, stone, or other material, and may place and deposit upon any such land any materials, waste, or spoil: Provided that full compensation for taking any of such materials, or for depositing any such materials, waste, or spoil as in this Section mentioned shall be made to all parties interested for the damage thereby sustained.

Materials from  
Crown Lands.

**41** The said lessee may from time to time for the purposes of this Act fell timber and use and carry away the same, and dig and use clay, stone, and other material upon any Crown Land comprised in the said lease or in the vicinity of the railway, and may fell all timber which in the opinion of the said lessee it may be necessary to remove for the safe working of the said railway, notwithstanding anything contained in Section Five of this Act: Provided, that full compensation shall, in the case of land belonging to the first lessee, be made to all parties interested in such land for the damage done under this Section, and such compensation shall be settled by arbitration in the mode prescribed by *The Lands Clauses Act* in cases of disputed compensation.

Construction of  
works.

**42** Subject to the provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said lessee, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and working the said railway, to execute any of the following works; that is to say,—

To enter upon any lands to survey and take the levels of the same :

To make or construct upon, across, under, or over any lands, streets, roads, rivers, creeks, or other waters such temporary or permanent inclined planes, tunnels, embankments, aqueducts, bridges, roads, ways, culverts, drains, arches, cuttings, fences, and other works as the said lessee may think proper :

To divert or alter, as well temporarily as permanently, the course of any streams of water, roads, streets, or ways, or raise or sink the level of any such roads, streets, or ways, in order the more conveniently to carry the same over or under or by the side of the railway, as the said lessee may think proper :

To make drains or conduits into, through, or under any lands adjoining the said railway for the purpose of conveying water from or to the said railway :

To draw water from any stream or river in the vicinity of the railway for the supply of locomotives and other purposes at such elevation as may be necessary to secure a fall into any railway tank by natural gravitation :

To erect and construct such houses, warehouses, goods-sheds, offices, and other buildings, yards, stations, wharfs, engines, machinery, and apparatus, and other works and conveniences, as the said lessee may think proper :

To, from time to time, alter, repair, or discontinue the before-mentioned works, or any of them, and substitute others in their stead :

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To do all other acts necessary for making, maintaining, altering, A.D. 1891.  
or repairing and working the said railway :

Provided that in the exercise of the above-mentioned powers the said lessee shall do as little damage as can be, and shall make full compensation in manner hereinafter and in any Act incorporated herewith provided to all parties interested for all damage by them sustained by reason of the exercise of such powers.

**43** Before the said lessee shall use any such lands for any of the purposes aforesaid, he shall, if required so to do by the owner or occupier thereof, separate the same by a sufficient fence from the lands adjoining thereto with such gates as may be required by the said owner or occupier for the convenient occupation of such lands, and shall also erect across all private roads used by them as aforesaid such fences and gates as may be necessary to prevent the straying of cattle from or upon the lands traversed by such roads ; and in case of any difference between the owners or occupiers of such roads and lands and the said lessee as to the proper kind of fences and gates to be erected, the said lessee shall erect such fences and gates as any Two Justices shall deem necessary for the purposes aforesaid, on application being made to them by either party : Provided that due notice of any such application shall be given to the other party, who shall have an opportunity of being present at the hearing thereof.

Lessee to separate the lands before using them.

**44** If in the exercise of the powers hereby granted it be found necessary to crosscut through, raise, sink, or use any part of any road, whether carriage road or horse road, either public or private, so as to render it impassable for or dangerous to, or extraordinarily inconvenient to passengers or carriages, or to the persons entitled to the use thereof, the said lessee shall before operations are commenced cause a sufficient road to be made instead of the road to be interfered with, and shall at his own expense maintain such substituted part of any road in a state as convenient for passengers and carriages as the road so interfered with, or as nearly so as may be, so long as such last-mentioned road shall continue to be interfered with.

Before roads interfered with others to be substituted.

**45** In case of accidents or slips happening, or being apprehended, to the cuttings, embankments, or other works of the said railway, it shall be lawful for the said lessee and his workmen and servants to enter upon the land adjoining thereto at any time whatsoever for the purpose of repairing or preventing such accidents, and to do such works as may be necessary for the purpose ; but in every such case the said lessee shall within Forty-eight hours after such entry make a report to the Minister specifying the nature of such accident or apprehended accident, and of the works necessary to be done, and such powers shall cease and determine if the said Minister shall after considering the said report certify that their exercise is not necessary for the public safety : Provided, that such works shall be as little injurious to the said adjoining lands as the nature of the accident or apprehended accident will admit of, and shall be executed with all possible despatch ; and full compensation shall be made to the owners and occupiers of such lands for the loss, injury, or inconvenience sustained by them respectively by reason of such works, the amount of which compensation in case of any dispute about the same shall be settled in the same manner as cases of disputed compensation in other

Power to enter upon adjoining lands to repair accidents, subject to certain restrictions.

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cases under this Act: Provided also, that no land shall be taken permanently for any such works otherwise than is herein provided with respect to the lands originally taken for the purpose of making the said railway.

Protection to  
rights of first  
lessee.

**46** In case the said lease comprises any land previously leased, then the said lease shall not affect the rights of the first lessee, except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the objects of the said lease, and the first lessee may accordingly exercise all powers conferred upon him in respect of the land previously leased: Provided that he shall not carry on any mining operations within Fifty feet of the surface of any land comprised in the said lease, nor in such a way as to endanger or inconvenience the works of the said lessee.

Settlements of  
disputes.

Should any dispute arise between any persons under this Section the same shall be decided by the Commissioner, who shall have power to decide what, if anything, shall be done or shall not be done by any person, and what damages and costs, if any, shall be paid by any person.

Notice of  
intention to  
make railway.

**47** In case the said lease shall comprise any land previously leased, then the said lessee shall serve upon the first lessee a notice describing with all reasonable accuracy, by means of a plan or otherwise, the proposed course, direction, or situation of the said railway.

The said lessee  
may enter after  
notice.

**48** The said lessee may for the purpose merely of surveying and taking levels, after giving not less than Twenty-four hours' nor more than Seven days' notice to the first lessee, enter upon any land of the first lessee which may be comprised in the said lease without the previous consent of any person.

How notice may  
be served.

**49** In any case in which a notice is required to be served on the first lessee under this Act, the same shall be deemed to be duly served if such notice is served upon the person in charge of or occupying the land in respect of which such notice is given, or if there be no person in charge of or occupying such land, then such notice shall be deemed duly served upon proof of the same having been posted in some conspicuous place on the said land.

Compensation to  
first lessee.

**50** Before any work shall be constructed under or in pursuance of the said lease through, over, or upon any land previously leased, the first lessee shall be paid by the said lessee such compensation (if any) as shall be determined by agreement between the first lessee and the said lessees; and if such compensation shall not be fixed by agreement within One month after the service of the notice mentioned in Section Forty-seven, then such compensation (if any) shall be determined by the Commissioner.

Provided always, that compensation shall not be payable to any person in respect of any land applied for or occupied under any lease or licence, and being within One chain of the centre of any proposed line of railway under this Act which, either before or after the passing of this Act, shall have been or shall hereafter be surveyed for the purposes of such line of railway, if such application or occupation shall have been made or taken place during or after such survey.

Compensation,  
how estimated.

**51** In estimating the compensation (if any) to be paid to the first lessee, regard shall be had only to the damage (if any) to be sustained

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by the first lessee by reason of the severing of the lands occupied by the said lessee from the other lands of the first lessee, or otherwise injuriously affecting such other lands or buildings or mining works by the exercise of the powers given to the said lessee by the said lease. The Commissioner shall not be bound to award any sum for damage unless in his opinion substantial damage shall have been sustained.

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**52** In case of non-payment of any sum of money awarded by the Commissioner under this Act within such period as the Commissioner shall at any time appoint, the Commissioner shall, for the purpose of enforcing payment of such sum, have and may exercise all the powers conferred upon a Justice of the Peace by *The Magistrates Summary Procedure Act*.

Commissioner may exercise power conferred on Justices.

**53** The Commissioner shall have and may exercise, for the purpose of procuring and enforcing the attendance of persons and witnesses, and for hearing and determining any matter brought before him under this Act, all the powers conferred upon a Justice of the Peace by *The Magistrates Summary Procedure Act*; and such Commissioner may award and order that one party shall pay to the other party such costs and expenses as to such Commissioner shall seem just and reasonable; and the amount thereof shall be recoverable in the same manner as costs ordered by a Justice of the Peace to be paid may be recovered under the said Act.

Power to enforce attendance of witnesses.

**54** Either party to any proceeding before the Commissioner under this Act may at any time within Twenty days after the Commissioner has given his decision thereon appeal to the Supreme Court, or a Judge thereof, against the decision of the Commissioner, and such Court or Judge may make any Order as to the costs of such appeal, and by and to whom the same are to be paid.

Appeal.

**55** The said lessee shall make, and at all times thereafter maintain, the following works for the accommodation of the owners and occupiers of lands adjoining the railway; that is to say:—

Gates, bridges, &amp;c.

Such and so many convenient gates, bridges, arches, culverts, and passages over, under, or by the sides of or leading to or from the railway as shall be necessary for the purpose of making good any interruptions caused by the railway to the use of the lands through which the railway shall be made; and such works shall be made forthwith after the part of the railway passing over such lands shall have been laid out or formed, or during the formation thereof:

Also sufficient posts, rails, hedges, ditches, mounds, or other fences for separating the land taken for the use of the railway from the adjoining lands not taken, and protecting such lands from trespass, or the cattle of the owners or occupiers thereof from straying thereout by reason of the railway, together with all necessary gates made to open towards such adjoining lands and not towards the railway, and all necessary stiles; and such posts, rails, and other fences shall be made forthwith after the taking of any such lands, if the owners thereof shall so require, and the said other works as soon as conveniently may be:

Fences.

Also all necessary arches, tunnels, culverts, drains, or other passages, either over or under or by the sides of the railway, of

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such dimensions as will be sufficient at all times to convey the water as clearly from the lands lying near or affected by the railway as before the making of the railway, or as nearly so as may be; and such works shall be made from time to time as the railway works proceed;

Watering-places.

Also proper watering-places for cattle where by reason of the railway the cattle of any person occupying any lands lying near thereto shall be deprived of access to their former watering-places; and such watering-places shall be so made as to be at all times as sufficiently supplied with water as theretofore, and as if the railway had not been made, or as nearly so as may be; and the said lessee shall make all necessary water-courses and drains for the purpose of conveying water to the said watering-places:

Provided always, that the said lessee shall not be required to make such accommodation works in such a manner as would prevent or obstruct the working or using of the railway, nor to make any accommodation works with respect to which the owners and occupiers of the land shall have agreed to receive, and shall have been paid, compensation instead of the making them.

Differences as to accommodation works to be settled by Justices.

**56** If any difference arise respecting the kind or number of any such accommodation works, or the dimensions or sufficiency thereof, or respecting the maintaining thereof, the same shall be determined by Two Justices of the Peace; and such Justices shall also appoint the time within which such works shall be commenced and executed by the said lessee.

Execution of works by owners on default by the lessee.

**57** If for Twenty-eight days next after the time appointed by such Justices for the commencement of any such works the said lessee shall fail to commence such works, or having commenced shall fail to proceed diligently to execute the same in a sufficient manner, it shall be lawful for the party aggrieved by such failure himself to execute such works or repairs, and the reasonable expenses thereof shall be repaid to the party by whom the same shall so have been executed; and if there be any dispute about such expenses, the same shall be settled by Two Justices: Provided always, that no such owner or occupier or other person shall obstruct or injure the railway, or any of the works connected therewith, for a longer time, nor use them in any other manner, than is unavoidably necessary for the execution or repair of such accommodation works.

Power to owners of land to make additional accommodation works.

**58** If any of the owners or occupiers of lands affected by such railway shall consider the accommodation works made by the said lessee, or directed by such Justices to be made by the said lessee, insufficient for the commodious use of their respective lands, it shall be lawful for any such owner or occupier at any time, at his own expense, to make such further works for that purpose as he shall think necessary, and as shall be agreed to by the said lessee, or, in case of difference, as shall be authorised by Two Justices of the Peace.

Such works to be constructed under the superintendence of the lessee's Engineer.

**59** If the said lessee so desire, all such last-mentioned accommodation works shall be constructed under the superintendence of their Engineer, and according to plans and specifications to be submitted to and approved by such Engineer.



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**60** The said lessee shall not be compelled to make any further or additional accommodation works for the use of owners and occupiers of land adjoining the railway after Two years from the completion of the works and the opening of the railway for public use.

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Accommodation works not to be required after Two years.

**61** Until the said lessee shall have made the bridges or other proper communications which he shall, under the provisions herein contained, have been required to make between lands intersected by the railway, and no longer, the owners and occupiers of such lands, and any other persons whose right of way shall be affected by the want of such communication, and their respective servants, may at all times freely pass or repass, with carriages, horses, and other animals, directly, but not otherwise, across the part of the railway made in or through their respective lands, solely for the purpose of occupying the same lands, or for the exercise of such right of way, and so as not to obstruct the passage along the railway, or to damage the same; nevertheless, if the owner or occupier of any such lands have in his arrangements with the said lessee received or agreed to receive compensation for or on account of any such communications, instead of the same being formed, such owner or occupier, or those claiming under him, shall not be entitled so to cross the railway.

Owners to be allowed to cross until accommodation works are made.

**62** If any person omit to shut and fasten any gate set up at either side of the railway for the accommodation of the owners or occupiers of the adjoining lands as soon as he and the carriage, cattle, or other animals under his care have passed through the same, he shall forfeit for every such offence any sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Penalty on persons omitting to fasten gates.

**63** Whenever by this Act compensation is directed to be made by the said lessee to any persons whose interests are affected by the exercise of the powers hereby conferred, such compensation shall, except in cases hereinbefore specially provided for, be settled by arbitration in the mode prescribed by *The Lands Clauses Act* in cases of disputed compensation.

Compensation how determined.

**64** In estimating the amount of compensation for severance or otherwise to be paid to any person for or in respect of land or material taken or used for the purposes of the said railway, the arbitrators or umpire shall take into consideration the benefit that is likely to accrue to the person to whom such land or material belongs by reason of the construction of such railway through the land affected, and the arbitrators or umpire, in awarding compensation to be paid for or in respect of such land or material, shall make such deduction for such benefit as shall be deemed just; and in case it appears to the arbitrators or umpire that the benefit likely to accrue to the person through whose land such railway is about to be taken is equal to or greater than the loss he will sustain by reason of the taking or using of his land or material for such railway, the arbitrators or umpire shall award that no compensation is to be paid, and thereupon the same rights shall accrue as if compensation had been awarded and duly paid.

In estimating compensation to be paid for land taken for railway, benefit to owner to be considered.

**65** In any case where land or material is required for the purposes of such railway, if the said lessee, before any steps are taken under *The Lands Clauses Act*, tenders to the person entitled to receive the same compensation for severance and otherwise for such land or material, then if such person refuses to accept the same and to convey the land so

Costs of arbitration, how to be borne.

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required, or to permit the same to be used or material taken, as the case may be, and a reference to arbitration takes place under *The Lands Clauses Act*, and the arbitrators or umpire award a sum not exceeding the amount of compensation so tendered, all the costs of the reference, arbitration, and award shall be paid by such person, and such payment may be enforced by action in any Court of competent jurisdiction on a count for money paid at the request of such person.

Penalty for  
damage to  
instruments,  
railway, &c.

**66** If any person shall wilfully interfere with, move, injure, or damage any poles, stakes, marks, or instruments used by the said lessee, or their agents, servants, or workmen, for the purpose of surveying or marking out the line of the railway or otherwise in connection therewith; or if any person shall wilfully do or commit any damage, injury, or spoil, or any nuisance to or upon the said railway or other roads or ways, or to or upon any other works of or belonging to the said lessee, such person shall for every such offence forfeit and pay to the said lessee a sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds over and above the damages occasioned thereto.

If lessee guilty of  
breaches of  
lease or of Act,  
the Attorney-  
General may  
move Supreme  
Court to declare  
lease forfeited.

**67** If the said lessee shall be guilty, without reasonable cause, of any breach of any of the conditions, provisions, or stipulations of the said lease, or of this Act, and such breach shall continue after reasonable notice shall have been given by the Governor in Council to the said lessee to put an end to or remedy the same, the Attorney-General may, when and so often as any such breaches may happen, apply to the Supreme Court for a Rule calling upon the said lessee to show cause, on a day to be mentioned in such Rule, why the said lease should not be declared forfeited upon such grounds as may be set forth in such Rule; and such Rule may be served upon the said lessee or any other person having the management of the affairs of the said lessee in *Tasmania*, either personally or by leaving the same at the last known place of business of the said lessee in *Tasmania*, and, being so served or left as aforesaid, such Rule shall be deemed for all purposes to have been duly served on the said lessee.

Supreme Court  
may declare lease  
forfeited or may  
order lessee to  
pay a sum of  
money to  
Treasurer.

**68** If on the hearing of such Rule the Court shall be satisfied, either by affidavit or otherwise, that the said lessee has been guilty, without reasonable cause, of any of the breaches of the conditions, provisions, or stipulations in the said lease or of this Act set forth in the said Rule, and that any such breach has continued after such reasonable notice as is mentioned in the immediately preceding Section has been given, the said Court may, and is hereby authorised and empowered, to order and declare such lease to be forfeited, and thereupon (except as hereinafter mentioned) such lease shall become absolutely null and void.

Provided, that the Court upon the hearing of any such Rule may, if it shall consider that the justice of the case would be met by so doing, instead of ordering the forfeiture of the said lease as aforesaid, order the said lessee to pay to the Treasurer such a sum of money as the said Court may consider reasonable by way of penalty for the breach of any of the conditions, provisions, or stipulations of the said lease or of this Act. And the said Court may also make such Order as to the costs of the proceedings as it may think fit; and any Order so to be made for the payment of any sum of money or costs as aforesaid may be enforced in the same manner as may for the time being be provided for the enforcement of Decrees and Orders of the said Court in its Equitable Jurisdiction.

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**69** The said Court may from time to time adjourn the hearing of any such Rule to show cause as aforesaid, and may give to the said lessees such time as to the Court may seem reasonable for the purpose of enabling the said lessee to file such affidavits as may be considered necessary in opposition to the ground set forth in the said Rule, and any affidavits that may have been filed in support thereof, and may also allow further time to the Attorney-General to file any affidavits in reply as to the Court may seem expedient; and the said Court may also, if it shall see fit, direct the truth of the grounds set forth in the said Rule to be decided otherwise than by affidavit, and for that purpose may direct one or more issue or issues to be tried by a jury in the like manner as issues directed by the Court in its Equitable Jurisdiction are tried.

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Court may adjourn the hearing, and may grant time to file affidavits;

and may order issues to be tried by a Jury.

**70** If the said Court shall order the said lease to be forfeited as hereinbefore mentioned, it shall nevertheless be lawful for the Governor in Council, on the address of both Houses of Parliament, to waive such forfeiture upon the payment of such sum or sums of money, and upon such other terms and conditions as by such address may be suggested; and upon payment of such sum or sums of money, and compliance by the said lessee with such other terms and conditions as aforesaid, the said lease shall be of the like force and effect as if such Order of the Court had not been made.

If Court order lease to be forfeited, Governor in Council may waive same upon address of Parliament.

**71** Upon the resumption of the land comprised in the said lease as hereinbefore provided, or upon the forfeiture of the said lease, the railway constructed by the said lessee, and all the right, title, and interest of the said lessee, and of any person or persons claiming, by, through, or under such lessee in and to the said railway and all works connected or used therewith, and all lands acquired by the lessee under the authority of this Act, and all the rights, privileges, powers, and advantages whatsoever affecting or appurtenant to the said railway which may be vested in, held, enjoyed, or possessed by or conferred on the said lessee, shall, without the necessity of any transfer or connecting title other than this Act, be transferred to and become vested in the Minister freed and discharged from all claims and demands of any person whomsoever in all respects in the same manner as the said lessee or such other person or persons held, possessed, enjoyed, used, and exercised the same.

Upon resumption, &c. railway vested in Minister.

**72** Nothing contained in this Act, or in any lease issued hereunder, shall be deemed to prevent the Minister of Lands and Works from constructing any line of railway which Parliament may at any time hereafter authorise in the vicinity of or adjacent to the said line of railway.

This Act not to prevent Minister constructing railway.

**73** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the said lessee may, from time to time, give and execute mortgages of or charges upon the said railway or its equipment, or any branch line, or the tolls, rates, fares, and charges on any such railway or branch line, for the purpose of securing the payment of any sum or sums of money borrowed or raised by the said lessee for the purposes of this Act, or of the said railway, or for securing the payments of any dividends or interest; and such mortgages or charges may be in such form, and contain such powers and provisions, as the said lessee may deem expedient.

Lessee may raise money by mortgage.

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Lessee may let  
tolls, &c.

**74** It shall be lawful for the said lessee from time to time, with the consent of the Governor in Council, to let the said railway and the said tolls, rates, fares, and charges, together with all or any equipment or rolling-stock of the said lessee; and during the continuance of any such letting the person to whom the same shall be let, or the persons or person by him appointed, are hereby empowered to demand, levy, and take the said tolls, rates, fares, and charges, and to use the said equipment and rolling-stock, and to manage the railway and works of the said lessee in like manner, and shall have the like remedies and rights, and be subject to the like liabilities in respect of the same, as the said lessee would have been empowered, or would have had, and would have been subject to, but for such letting.

Lessee may  
construct  
Telegraphs.

**75** The lessee may construct, maintain, and work and use for his own profit one or more lines of Electric Telegraph and Telephones along the route of the said railway, and along the route of any branch line of railway which the lessee is by this Act authorised to construct; but Government messages shall have priority on such lines of Telegraph and Telephones, if required; and, subject to the use of such lines of Telegraph and Telephones by the lessee, and to the priority (if claimed) of Government messages, such lines of Telegraph and Telephones shall be open for receiving and sending messages by all persons without preference or favour, and at the same rates as those charged for like messages on Government lines of Telegraph and Telephones: Provided that the Minister may at any time, with the consent of the Governor in Council, prohibit the lessees from using such lines of Telegraph or Telephone for profit.

Government may  
affix wires.

**76** The Government may affix telegraphic and telephonic wires upon any posts erected by the lessee along the route of the said railway or along the route of any branch line of railway which the lessee is by this Act authorised to construct, and may maintain and use such wires for the purposes of telegraphic and telephonic communication.

Regulations.

**77** The Judges of the Supreme Court may from time to time make, alter, and rescind Regulations for the following purposes:—

- i. For prescribing the form of any notice required by this Act, and the mode of service thereof, and the persons upon whom the same may be served:
- ii. For prescribing the mode in which proceedings shall be taken before the Commissioner, and for regulating the practice and procedure before him, and for the fees to be paid thereon:
- iii. For prescribing the mode in which appeals shall be brought before the Supreme Court:
- iv. For determining the person or persons whose receipt for compensation money, or whose signature to any agreement for compensation, shall be binding.

Power to assign  
and transfer  
rights, &c.

**78** It shall be lawful for the said lessee, with the consent of the Minister, at any time, by deed or instrument in writing, to assign and transfer all the rights, powers, privileges, benefits, concessions, and advantages conferred upon him by this Act to any person or persons, or to any duly incorporated Company; and upon such transfer or assignment being signed or executed, the person or persons or duly incorporated Company in whose favour such transfer or assignment

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is made shall then stand in the place of the said lessee, and shall have all the liabilities, rights, powers, privileges, benefits, concessions, and advantages conferred upon the lessee by this Act. A.D. 1891.

**79**—(1.) If the said lessee should at any time transfer or assign the said lease to any Company formed or incorporated in any country or place beyond this Colony, and which is not registered in *Tasmania* under *The Companies Act*, 1869, then such Companies shall, before commencing to construct the said Railway, register with the Registrar of Companies under the said Act the name and place of abode or business of the person appointed by such Company to carry on the business of the Company in *Tasmania*, and also the situation of the Office of such Company; and the person so registered shall be deemed to be the Agent of such Company, and such Office shall for all purposes be the registered Office of such Company. If lease transferred to foreign Company such Company to have registered Office.

(2.) Upon such registration such Company may sue and be sued in its corporate name in *Tasmania*, and the liability of and proceedings against such Company shall be in the same manner as if such Company had been duly registered in *Tasmania* under the provisions of *The Companies Act*, 1869.

(3.) Sections Forty-three, Forty-four, Forty-five, and Forty-six of *The Companies Act*, 1869, shall be incorporated with this Act, and shall apply to any such Company aforesaid in the same manner and to the like effect as if such Company had been duly registered under the said Act.

**80** It shall be lawful for the said lessee from time to time to make such By-laws for regulating his affairs and the management of the said railway, and of any railway which may be purchased by the said lessee, or worked in connection therewith, and the buildings and works connected therewith, and for fixing the tolls, rates, fares, and charges for the carriage and conveyance of passengers, goods, merchandise, chattels, live stock, and other things of every description thereon, as he may think fit, and for all purposes which are usually comprised in the By-laws of any railway company; and it shall be lawful for the said lessee to repeal, alter, or amend any such By-laws from time to time: Provided that such By-laws shall not be repugnant to the provisions of this Act or to the said lease; and such By-laws shall be in writing under the hand of the said lessee, and, if affecting other persons than his own officers and servants, and not being By-laws fixing such tolls, rates, fares, and charges as aforesaid, shall be subject to the approval of the Governor in Council, and be published as hereinafter is provided. Power to make By-laws.

**81** The said lessee, by the By-laws so to be made by him, may, subject to the approval of the Governor in Council, impose such reasonable penalties as he may think fit, not exceeding Ten Pounds, for each breach of such By-laws or any of them. By-laws may be enforced by penalties.

**82** All such By-laws relating to other persons than the servants and officers employed upon the said railway, not being tables of the charges for the conveyance of passengers, goods, merchandise, chattels, live stock, and other things thereon, shall be published in the *Gazette*; and all such By-laws shall be printed in legible letters and exhibited in some conspicuous place in the principal Office of the railway, and at every station on the said railway, and be open to inspection without fee By-laws to be published.

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or reward; and in case any person wilfully obliterates any of the letters or figures thereon, or wilfully prevents the same being inspected at some reasonable time, he shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding Five Pounds.

By-laws to be binding.

**83** All By-laws made according to the provisions of this Act, when so published and put up, shall be binding upon and observed by all parties, and shall be sufficient warrant for all persons acting under the same.

Proof of By-laws.

**84** The production of a copy of the said By-laws purporting to have been made as aforesaid shall, in all proceedings against the officers and servants of the said Company, be accepted as proof thereof in any Court of Law or Equity; and *prima facie* evidence of any such By-laws may be given in all Courts of Justice and in all legal proceedings whatsoever by the production of a copy of the *Gazette* purporting to contain any such By-laws.

By-laws to be laid before Parliament.

**85** All By-laws made by the lessee under this Act shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within Fourteen days of the making thereof if Parliament is in Session, and if not, then within Fourteen days after the commencement of the next Session.

Offences to be dealt with summarily.

**86** All offences against this Act or any By-law made in pursuance of this Act shall be heard and determined, and all orders shall be made, and all penalties and sums of money imposed or made payable by this Act or any such By-law shall be recovered in a summary way, in the mode prescribed by *The Magistrates Summary Procedure Act*, and all penalties received by virtue of any such By-law shall be paid in the manner provided by *The Summary Procedure Act*.

19 Vict. No. 8.

Appeal from penalties.

**87** Any person who thinks himself aggrieved by any penalty imposed under the authority of this Act or any such By-law, which is recoverable in a summary manner, may, unless otherwise expressly provided, appeal against the same in the mode prescribed by *The Appeals Regulation Act*.

19 Vict. No. 10.

Lessee to have all powers of this Act before lease issued.

**88** Until the said lease shall be issued the said lessee shall have all the rights, powers, privileges, benefits, concessions, advantages, and liabilities conferred or imposed upon him by this Act so far as the same shall be necessary for the survey and construction of the said railway.

All disputes referred to arbitration.

**89** In the event of any dispute, question, or difference arising between the said lessee and the Minister, or any official to whom any powers are given by this Act, the same shall be referred to and decided by arbitration in like manner as is mentioned in Sections Nineteen, Twenty, and Twenty-one.

Lessee to deposit £2000.

**90** The said lessee shall, within Six months after the passing of this Act, place at interest on fixed deposit the sum of Two thousand Pounds, in the name of the Treasurer of the Colony, in some Bank in Hobart to be approved of by the said Treasurer, and shall deliver to the Treasurer the deposit receipt for such sum.

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The said lessee shall be entitled to the interest on such deposit of A.D. 1891.  
Two thousand Pounds during the period it remains in the name of the  
Treasurer in such Bank as aforesaid.

The Treasurer shall transfer or deliver the said deposit receipt to the said lessee as soon as the Minister shall report to him that the said railway has been constructed to the extent of Five miles in accordance with the provisions of this Act, and shall do any other act necessary to enable the said lessees to obtain payment thereof.

If the said railway shall not be so constructed to the extent of Five miles with due expedition to the satisfaction of the Minister, the said sum of Two thousand Pounds and all interest accruing thereon shall be absolutely forfeited to Her Majesty and shall become part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Colony.

