

Koorawatha to Grenfell Railway.

Act No. 41, 1898.

An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Koorawatha to Grenfell. [24th December, 1898.]

KOORAWATHA TO
GRENFELL
RAILWAY.

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 Koorawatha to Grenfell: And whereas the said resolution imposed a statutory duty 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:—

Preamble.

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 works shall not be commenced to be constructed unless the private lands required for the construction of the line (except town allotments) have been contracted, by instrument in writing, to be conveyed by deed of gift, transfer, or exchange from the owners to the Crown, or there has been paid to the Constructing Authority a sum equal to or greater than the amount estimated by the said Authority to be required for the resumption of land for the said work: And the money so paid shall be applied for the purpose of the said resumption.

Work sanctioned.

2. (1) The Governor shall within three months after the commencement of this Act by proclamation in the Gazette declare the district which in his opinion will be served by the said work, and upon the publication of that proclamation every owner of land and every lessee from the Crown of lands within that district shall in the year in which the said work is completed and the line of railway opened for traffic, and in every succeeding year up to and including the year in which the amount of the receipts from the said line of railway equals or exceeds the amount of the working expenses together with the amount of the interest

Additional rent to be paid in respect of Crown lands served by the railway.

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interest payable on the cost of construction but no longer, pay in addition to any sum which he is liable under any Act relating to Crown lands to pay as rent for such land, one penny per acre within a distance of five miles on each side, one halfpenny per acre within a distance of ten miles, and one farthing per acre within a radius of fifteen miles.

(2) The provisions of the Acts relating to Crown lands which apply to the payment and recovery of rent for such land shall apply to the payment and recovery of such additional rent, which, when paid, shall be forwarded by the Secretary for Lands to the Railway Commissioners.

Plan of work.

3. The plan of the said work is the plan marked Koorawatha to Grenfell 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.

Cost, how to be defrayed.

4. The cost of carrying out the said work, estimated at ninety-two thousand three hundred and fifty 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.

Line may be constructed along a road.

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

Short title.

6. This Act may be cited as the "Koorawatha to Grenfell Railway Act, 1898."

SCHEDULE.

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This line begins by a junction with the Harden to Blayney Railway at the southern end of Koorawatha Station at two hundred and seventy-seven miles thirteen chains from Sydney via Harden, and crossing the Crowther Range at about two hundred and eighty-five miles sixty chains, and the Tyagong Creek at two hundred and ninety-one miles passes through Brundah holding in a north-westerly direction, and approaching the Cowra to Grenfell-road at three hundred and two miles, crosses the watershed between Brundah and Emu Creeks about two miles south-east of Grenfell. The line ends at the west side of the township between Brundah and Tyagong streets at about three hundred and nine miles thirty-five chains, being a total length of about thirty-two miles twenty-two chains, and subject to such deviations and modifications as may be considered desirable by the Constructing Authority.
