## A BILL

To sanction and provide for the construction of a line of railway from Crookwell to Wheeo; to provide for the use of the line by the Constructing Authority, or by persons authorised by him; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

[Mr. Griffith;—

, 1914.]

WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, 1912, the Legislative Assembly did by resolution declare that it was expedient to carry out a certain work, namely, the construction of 5 a line of railway from Crookwell to Wheeo: And whereas

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on the passing of the said resolution a statutory duty was by the said Act imposed on the Minister to introduce a Bill into the said Assembly to sanction the carrying out of the said work: Be it therefore enacted by the King'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:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Crookwell to Wheeo Railway Act, 1914."

Work sanctioned. 2. The carrying out of the work, more particularly described in the Schedule of this Act, is hereby sanctioned, and the Minister for Public Works, or the member of the Executive Council for the time being performing the duties of the said Minister, is hereby 15 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 of a Constructing Authority within the meaning of the Public Works Act, 1912.

Plan of work.

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

Cost, how to be defrayed.

4. The cost of carrying out the said work, estimated at one hundred and nineteen thousand and fifty-two pounds, may be defrayed from such loan votes as are now or may hereafter be applicable to that purpose, or from appropriations of the Public Works Fund, or partly 30 from such votes and partly from the said appropriations.

Roads.

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

Fencing.

6. Notwithstanding the provisions of section ninetyone of the Public Works Act, 1912, the Constructing 35
Authority shall not be 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 his discretion, make and 40
maintain such fences in connection with the said line
of railway as he may think fit.

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7. The Constructing Authority, and any person Use of line authorised by him, may use the said line or any part during construction. thereof before it is transferred to the Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways, and for that purpose may run thereon any carriages or waggons propelled or drawn by any motive power.

## SCHEDULE.

This extension of the Goulburn to Crookwell Railway commences at the end of the existing line at the latter place at  $172\frac{1}{4}$  miles from Sydney. It immediately crosses Kiamma Creek and follows its right bank westerly to its confluence with Crookwell River, about a quarter of a mile beyond which it crosses that river and proceeds southerly across the roads from Bigga and Gunning and ascends south-westerly the left side of Crookwell River to about 177 miles; thence the line takes a westerly direction and crosses the Crookwell to Grabben Gullen and Wheeo to Grabben Gullen Roads. A few chains beyond the latter road it crosses Wheeo Creek, and from 182 miles proceeds in a generally north-westerly direction and re-crosses that creek at 1881 miles, a short distance beyond which it crosses the road from Goulburn to Binda and descends the left bank of Wheeo Creek to 191 miles, where the line takes a westerly bearing, and terminates at  $192\frac{1}{4}$  miles from Sydney, being a total distance of 20 miles, and subject to such deviations and modifications as may be considered desirable by the Constructing Authority.