

and notice thereof shall be given as may be ordered by the court, calling on all parties to file their claims. The distribution thereafter made by the court bars all further claims. If Quebec proceedings are taken after such deposit, &c., as in other cases for confirmation of title; costs subject to order of the court. In cases where the compensation does not exceed \$100, the Minister may pay directly to the party, leaving him liable personally to the claims against the property. If a party is dissatisfied with the amount paid in, his claim may be referred to the arbitrators, and the amount of their award be then paid in to free the land.

### CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

*Chap. 14.*—Provides for the construction of a allway "from some point near to and south of Lake Nipissing to some point in British Columbia on the Pacific Ocean," the route to be determined by the Governor in Council. The line is divided into four sections, viz., first, from Lake Nipissing to the west end of Lake Superior; second, from No. 1 to Red River; third, from Red River to a point between Fort Edmonton and the foot of the Rocky Mountains; fourth, thence to the Pacific. Branches are provided for, viz., first: From the eastern terminus to Georgian Bay; from a point near Fort Garry to the boundary at or near Pembina. A line of telegraph is to be constructed along the line in advance of the railway. The gauge to be 4 feet 8½ inches. The line to be constructed under the Department of Public Works. But the sections may be divided into sub-sections, and the building, furnishing plant and running be let to contractors, after tenders are obtained. But contractors must have a capital equal to \$4,000 per mile of the sub-section tendered for, and 25 per cent. of it in money or approved securities must be deposited in a bank to the credit of the R. G. as security. \$10,000 per mile only may be paid to the contractors, for construction and rolling stock, and 4 per cent. on a sum per mile to be fixed by contract, for a period of 25 yrs. for running. Land at the rate of 20,000 acres per mile may also be appropriated in alternate sections of 20 miles square with a frontage of three to six miles on the road, ½ to be sold by the Government at prices agreed upon, and the proceeds paid to the contractors as the work goes on, and the remaining third conveyed to them in like manner. These lands to be designated as soon as the line is located. The right of way through public lands, station grounds, &c., to be also granted free. The sub-sections contract to be the property of the contractors. But the Government may at any time take possession, paying actual cost and 10 per cent. additional; subsidies to be returned. No contract to be binding until one month after it is laid before the House of Commons, unless sooner approved by resolution. The Government may, if found more advantageous, construct and work the railway as a public work. The railway act 1864 is, as far as practicable, to apply—the deposit in cases outside of any Province, or where there is no registry office, to be made in the Department of Public Works. Deviations of five miles are allowed if approved by the Minister of Public Works. The Court of Queen's Bench in Manitoba has jurisdiction under the act of 1864 to deal

with incumbrances on lands in the North West Territories. In British Columbia and Manitoba, a judge of a Superior Court or County Court may exercise it. Notices to be given in the *Canada Gazette* for places not within any Province. Troops, stores, &c., to be carried on terms fixed by the Governor in Council. Quarter Sessions may appoint constables in British Columbia and Manitoba, and any two Justices of the Peace in places outside a Province, or where no Quarter Sessions are held. Offences against Railway Act 1868 are to be tried in British Columbia or Manitoba by court having jurisdiction in like cases, and in cases occurring outside a Province, the offender may be arrested and sent by a warrant of a Justice of the Peace to either of those Provinces or Ontario for trial. A bonus not exceeding \$12,000 per mile may be granted to any company which will construct a railway to connect the eastern terminus of the line with the proposed or existing railways; running powers being secured for traffic of Canadian Pacific Railway. Any Order in Council granting such subsidy is to be submitted to the House of Commons for ratification. The branches may also be built as a private enterprise or public work. The Government may order the work to be proceeded with from time to time or suspend it at any time till next session of Parliament. £2,500,000 stg. of the sum authorized to be raised with Imperial guarantee, and \$15,000,000 of that to be raised without, may be applied to the construction of the road.

### INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

*Chap. 15.*—From the 1st June, 1871, the construction and working of this railway was taken out of the hands of the Commissioners and placed in charge of the M. P. W.

### WINDSOR BRANCH OF THE N. S. RAILWAY.

*Chap. 16.*—Transfers the above branch of the Government Railway in N. S. to the "Western Counties Railway." Passengers with Government tickets to be carried free by the R. R. Co., between Halifax and Windsor Junction, and it is to have running powers over the Intercolonial R. R. between these points, on the terms formerly granted to the Windsor and Annapolis R. R. Co.

### ADVANCES FOR GRAVING DOCK AT ESQUIMAULT, &c.

*Chap. 17.*—In lieu of the guarantee at the rate of 5 p. c. per annum for 10 yrs. on £100,000 stg. for this graving dock agreed to in the terms of the union with B. C., \$250,000 may be advanced during the progress of the work. Advances may also be made to the other Provinces for local improvements up to the amount of their normal debt, the subsidy being reduced proportionately.

### PIER AT COW BAY, N. S.

*Chap. 18.*—The G. in C. may purchase and hold the pier or breakwater at a price to be determined by the engineers of the D. P. W. and impose tolls for its use.

### DOMINION LANDS ACT.

*Chap. 19.*—Amends the Lands Act of 1872. The township subdivision surveys only are