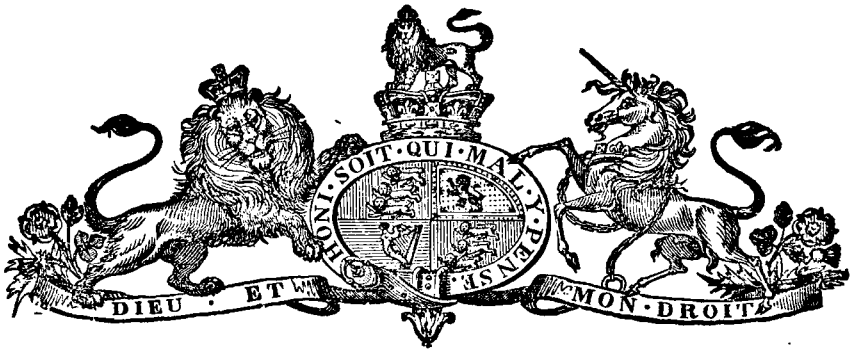


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CAP. LXIV.

An Act to repeal the Act for constituting Commissioners of Railways. [7th *August* 1851.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Session holden in the Ninth and Tenth Years of Her Majesty (Chapter One hundred and five), for constituting Commissioners of Railways: And whereas it is expedient that the said Act should be repealed, and Provision be made for the Exercise and Performance of the Powers and Duties which since the passing of the said Act have been vested in or imposed on the said Commissioners: Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows: 9 & 10 Vict. c. 105.

I. From and after the Tenth of *October* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-one the said Act shall be repealed, and all Powers, Rights, Authorities, and Duties vested in or exercised or performed by the Commissioners of Railways under any Act passed since the passing of the said recited Act, or which may be passed during the present Session of Parliament, shall be transferred to and vested in and performed by the Lords of the Committee of Her Majesty's Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations as if they had been named in such Acts instead of the said Commissioners; and Recited Act repealed, and Powers, &c. of Commissioners of Railways under subsequent Acts transferred to Board of Trade.

and all Proceedings pending before the said Commissioners on the said Tenth of *October*, or carried on under their Authority, shall be continued and carried on by and before the Lords of the said Committee, who shall have, exercise, and perform the same Powers, Rights, Authorities, and Duties in respect of all such Proceedings as might have been exercised or performed by such Commissioners in case this Act had not been passed.

Power to continue Officers appointed by Commissioners of Railways.

II. It shall be lawful for the Lords of the said Committee, with the Approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to continue, for the Transaction of the Business transferred to the Lords of the said Committee under this Act, all or any of the Officers and Servants appointed by the said Commissioners of Railways, and from Time to Time, with such Approval, to remove such Officers and Servants, or any of them.

Appointments, Orders, &c., of the Board of Trade how to be signified.

III. Where by any Act relating to Railways or to any Railway the Commissioners of Railways or the Lords of the said Committee are empowered or required to make or issue any Appointment, Authority, Determination, Order, Requisition, Regulation, Certificate, or Notice, or to do any other Act, the Lords of the said Committee may, after the said Tenth of *October*, signify such Appointment, Authority, Determination, Order, Requisition, Regulation, Certificate, Notice, or other Act by a written or printed Document, signed by One of the joint Secretaries of the Lords of the said Committee, or by some Assistant Secretary, or other Officer appointed by them to sign Documents relating to Railways; and every Appointment, Authority, Determination, Order, Requisition, Regulation, Certificate, Notice, or other Act signified by a written or printed Document purporting to be so signed as aforesaid, shall be deemed to have been duly made, issued, or done by the Lords of the said Committee; and every such Document shall be received in Evidence in all Courts and before all Justices and others, without Proof of the Authority or Signature of such Secretary or other Officer, or other Proof whatsoever, until it be shown that such Document was not signed by the Authority of the Lords of the said Committee.

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