GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (AMENDMENT) ACT.

Act No. 27, 1925.

An Act to validate certain actions of the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 30th December, 1925.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legis-lative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :- -

1. This Act may be cited as the "Government Short title. Railways (Amendment) Act, 1925," and shall be read with the Government Railways Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, which Act as so amended is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.   2.

2. (1) Any action taken by the Commissioners with regard to officers, whether by reduction or promotion in rank, position, grade or pay, or removal to other duties or places or otherwise in consequence of a direction given to the Commissioners by a Minute of the Governor dated the fifteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, is hereby validated.

(2) The re-employment of officers who were dismissed in consequence of the strike which occurred in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen is validated, and section seventy-five of the Principal Act shall be deemed not to have extended or to extend to any such re-employment.

(3) The Commissioners shall take all necessary steps to completely restore all such officers to the rank, position, and grade to which they would have been entitled if such strike had not taken place.

(4) The Commissioners shall be deemed to have and always to have had the power instead of removing an officer in exercise of their power in that behalf, to continue to employ such officer in any inferior position in the railway service, and in the case of an officer who has been removed to reinstate such officer in his former or any inferior position in such service.