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## No. XVII.

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## An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Narrabri to Moree. [23rd April, 1895.]

Preamble.

THEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act of 1888, a certain proposed Public Work, namely, "a line of Railway from Narrabri to Moree," was, on the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, submitted and explained in the Legislative Assembly by the Secretary for Public Works, and the said work was thereupon referred, on the motion of the said Secretary, to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for their report thereon, which Committee reported to the said Assembly the result of their inquiries: And whereas after the receipt of the said report, that is to say, on the nineteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, the said Assembly by resolution declared that it was expedient that the said line of railway should be carried out, such work to be subject to the provisions of any Act that may be passed dealing generally with the "Betterment" principle with regard to public works; which resolution was notified in the Gazette on the twentieth day of April, in the year last-mentioned: 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:—

Work sanctioned.

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.

Plan of work.

2. The plan of the said work is the plan marked "Narrabri to Moree Railway," signed by the Secretary for Public Works and countersigned by the Engineer-in-Chief for Railways, and deposited in the public office of the said Secretary.

Cost, how to be defrayed.

3. The cost of carrying out the work hereby sanctioned, not to exceed by more than ten per centum the amount estimated in the report of the Committee aforesaid, may be defrayed from such Loan Votes as are now or may hereafter be applicable to that purpose.

As to fencing line.

4. The provisions of the one hundred and sixth section of the said Public Works Act shall not be deemed to require or compel the Constructing Authority to construct a fence on either side of the work hereby authorised for the accommodation of the owners and occupiers of lands adjoining such work, but the said Authority may construct such fences at such places, for such lengths, and of such a character as such Authority may think sufficient.

Short title.

5. This Act may be cited as the "Narrabri to Moree Railway Act, 1895."

## Crown Lands.

## SCHEDULE.

This line begins by a junction with the north-western railway about two hundred and fifty-one and a half miles from Newcastle, near the east end of Narrabri station, and after crossing the Namoi River and Narrabri Creek adjoins the township of Narrabri on its south and east sides; thence the line proceeds in a northerly direction to Bobbiwa Creek; from thence north-easterly to Water Reserve one thousand and forty; and again nearly north to Moree, where it ends,—being a total length of sixty-three miles fifty chains, and subject to such deviations and modifications as may be considered desirable by the Constructing Authority.