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NEW ZEALAND.

WAICOLA, LINTON, AND WAIKOU VALLEY RAILWAY CONTRACT

(COPY OF).

Laid before Parliament in Compliance with the 18th section of "The Railways Construction and Land Act, 1881."

CONTRACT.

This Deed, made the ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, between Her Majesty the Queen (who, with her heirs and successors, is and are hereinafter included in the expression "the Queen"), of the one part, and the Waicola, Linton, and Waiau Valley Railway Company, Limited (which, with its successors and assigns, except where the context otherwise requires, is and are hereinafter included in the expression "the Company"), of the other part. Whereas the Company has been established for the purposes, amongst other things, of constructing and maintaining a line of railway from a point in the Government railway between Otautau and Wairio, situate on Section 23, Aparima Hundred, to a point in the Waiau Township Reserve, each of which points is to be approved of as hereinafter mentioned, with all buildings, railway works, and other appliances necessary for the same, and of working the said railway, and especially of carrying thereon passengers, animals, and goods, for hire, and generally, in other respects, of carrying on the business of a railway company in all its branches, with power to contract with any other railway company or authority with respect to running powers, interchange of traffic, or otherwise: And whereas the said railway is intended to be constructed as nearly as may be along the lines shown in red upon the plan, marked A, hereunto annexed, and is estimated to be of the length of eighteen miles or thereabouts: And whereas the Governor of New Zealand, acting therein with the advice of the Executive Council of the colony, and in pursuance of the provisions of "The Railways Construction and Land Act, 1881" (hereinafter in these presents termed "the said Act"), has agreed with the Company for the construction and working of the said proposed line of railway upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth: And whereas the said line of railway has for the purposes of construction been divided into two sections, as shown respectively from A to C, that is, from Waicola Junction to Orawea River, and from C to E, that is, from Orawea River to Waiau River, upon the said plan, marked A, hereunto annexed:

Now this deed witnesseth that, in consideration of the covenants hereinafter contained on the part of the Queen, the Company doth hereby covenant with the Queen in manner following, that is to say:—

1. The Company shall and will, with all convenient speed and within the term of five years computed from the date of these presents, at its own expense in all things, construct and thereafter maintain and work a line of railway from a point in the Government railway between Otautau and Wairio, situate on Section twenty-three, Aparima Hundred, to a point in the Waiau Township