



Regulation of Railways Act 1873

1873 CHAPTER 48

Preliminary

1 Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Regulation of Railways Act, 1873.

2 Commencement of Act.

This Act shall, except as herein is otherwise expressly provided, come into operation on the first day of September one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, which date is in this Act referred to as the commencement of this Act.

3 Definitions.

In this Act—

The term " railway company " includes any person being the owner or lessee of or working any railway in the United Kingdom constructed or carried on under the powers of any Act of Parliament:

The term " canal company " includes any person being the owner or lessee of, or working, or entitled to charge tolls for the use of any canal in the United Kingdom constructed or carried on under the powers of any Act of Parliament:

The term " person " includes a body of persons corporate or unincorporate

The term " railway " includes every station, siding, wharf, or dock of or belonging to such railway and used for the purposes of public traffic:

The term " canal " includes any navigation which has been made under or upon which tolls may be levied by authority of Parliament, and also the wharves and landing-places of and belonging to such canal or navigation, and used for the purposes of public traffic :

The term " traffic " includes not only passengers and their luggage, goods, animals, and other things conveyed by any railway company or canal company, but also carriages, waggons, trucks, boats, and vehicles of every description adapted for running or passing on the railway or canal of any such company:

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

The term " mails " includes mail bags and post-letter hags

The term " special Act " means a local or local and personal Act, or an Act of a local and personal nature, and includes a Provisional Order of the Board of Trade confirmed, by Act of Parliament, and a certificate granted by the Board of Trade under the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864 :

The term " the Treasury " means the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the time being :

The term " superior court " means in England any of Her Majesty's Superior Courts at Westminster, in Ireland any of Her Majesty's Superior Courts at Dublin, and in Scotland the Court of Session.