CHAPTER

AN ACT DEFINING EQUAL RIGHTS TO RAILROADS OF FERENT GAUGES.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. That when the words "railroad" or "railroads" is used in any general or special law of this State the same shall be deemed to apply alike to all railroads without reference to the gauge thereof.

This act shall take effect and be in force from and

after its passage.

Approved March 8, 1879.

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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE RAILROAD COMPANIES TO EXERCISE 1. THE RIGHT OF EMINENT DOMAIN IN CERTAIN CASES IN .. THIS STATE.

80-1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Power to acquire roadways, &c.

Section 1. That any railroad company now existing under the laws of Minnesota, or which has authority under the laws of this State to build and operate a railroad within this State; and any railroad companies which may hereafter be organized under the General Laws of this State, shall have power to acquire by purchase or condemnation, all necessary roadways, spur and side-tracks, rights of way, depot grounds, yards, grounds for machine shops, warehouses, elevators, depots; station houses, and all other structures that may be necessary or convenient for the full enjoyment, use and operation of its road, and may purchase, erect and maintain and operate all such machine shops, warehouses, elevators, depots, station houses and other structures as may be necessary or convenient for the use, operation or enjoyment of the road, and may make with any railroad company, such arrangements for the use of any portion of its tracks and road beds as it may deem necessary; and may, wherever and whenever it may be or become necessary for carrying out the purposes of such corporation, enter upon and cross over or under the tracks and road beds of any other railroad corporation or company for the purpose of effecting a crossing upon, over or under the same or a connection with the same, and may enter upon, across, over, under or along any other lands of all other railroad corporations, streets and highways, with its own tracks, upon paying

Use of tracks. crossings, &c.