Pacific Cable Enabling.

Act No. 48, 1900.

Enabling.

An Act to enable the Government of New South Wales to join with certain other Governments in the cost of the construction and maintenance of a cable across the Pacific Ocean, and for purposes consequent upon and incidental to such objects. [14th November, 1900.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Tarrillian 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:-

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Pacific Cable Enabling Act, 1900."

Government of New cable, and take measures to provide for its construction and maintenance.

2. It shall be lawful for the Government of New South Wales to South Wales may join with the Governments of Great Britain, Canada, Victoria, Queensland, and New Zealand in the cost of the construction and maintenance of an all-British submarine cable between Canada and Australasia across the Pacific Ocean if the total cost of construction (including cable maintenance, ships, station buildings, staff quarters, and otherinitial expenditure) does not exceed two million two hundred thousand pounds: Provided that the proportion of the cost of construction and maintenance contributed by New South Wales shall not exceed one-ninth of the amount of such cost.

> The Government of New South Wales, or any person appointed by the Governor on behalf of such Government, is hereby authorised to co-operate with the other Governments aforesaid in raising such capital and in taking such measures as may be required and necessary for such construction and maintenance.