CHAPTER xxxvii.

An Act to enable the Alliance and Dublin Consumers Gas Company to acquire additional Lands at Bray, and for other purposes connected therewith. [11th June 1877.]

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WHEREAS by "The Alliance and Dublin Gas Act, 1866," the Alliance and Dublin Consumers Gas Company and the Commercial Gas Company of Ireland (Limited) were amalgamated and incorporated by the name of "The Alliance and Dublin Consumers Gas Company" (herein-after called "the Company"), and were authorised to acquire the Dublin undertaking of the United General Gaslight and Coke Company, including certain lands and works at or near the docks at Bray in the county of Wicklow:

29 & 30 Vict. c. ccv.

And whereas "The Alliance and Dublin Gas Act, 1871," and "The Alliance and Dublin Gas Act, 1874," have since been passed with relation to the Company (and the said Acts of 1871 and 1874, together with the Alliance and Dublin Gas Act, 1866, are herein-after referred to as "the former Acts"):

34 & 35 Vict. c. cxci. 37 & 38 Vict. c. cxxxv.

And whereas the number of inhabitants and visitors has of late years largely increased at Bray, and the demand for gas has correspondingly increased:

And whereas a breach of the sea having occurred, portions of the lands and works at Bray acquired by the Company under the Act of 1866 have been carried away, and the residue is wholly unprotected and insufficient for the requirements of the Company and of the locality:

And whereas it is expedient that the Company be empowered to enter upon, take, and use the lands described in the schedule to this Act, by agreement or otherwise, and to construct upon so much of the said lands as is described in the first part of the schedule to this Act works for the manufacture and storage of gas, and the conversion of residual products obtained in the manufacture of gas:

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And whereas the lands occupied by the Company are or will be separated by the line of the Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexford Railway Company (herein-after referred to as "the Wicklow Company"), and it is expedient that the Company be authorised to lay down mains and pipes under the bridge of the Wicklow Company:

And whereas plans showing the lands required for the additional gasworks and purposes of the Company at or near Bray, with a book of reference to such plans containing the names of the owners and lessees, or reputed owners and lessees, and of the occupiers of such lands, have been deposited with the several clerks of the peace for the county of Dublin, and the county of the city of Dublin, and the county of Wicklow, and are in this Act referred to as "the deposited plans and books of reference:"

And whereas the objects aforesaid cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows; (that is to say,)

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as "The Alliance and Dublin Gas (Bray Supply) Act, 1877."

Certain provisions of general Acts herein named incorporated.

2. The following Acts, save where expressly varied or excepted by or inconsistent with this Act, or the former Acts, or any of them, shall be incorporated with and form part of this Act; (that is to say,)

The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, and the Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts Amendment Act, 1860;

The Railways (Ireland) Acts, 1851, 1860, and 1864;

The Railways Traverse Act, 1868;

The Gasworks Clauses Act, 1847, and the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1871.

Interpretation of terms.

3. In this Act the several words and expressions to which meanings are assigned by the Acts wholly or partially incorporated herewith have the same respective meanings, unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction.

Power to purchase lands.

4. The Company, in addition to the lands which they are authorised to use, acquire, and hold under the former Acts, or any of them, may for the purposes of their gas undertaking at Bray purchase, by agreement or otherwise, and may enter upon, take, and

use all or any of the lands shown upon the deposited plans and specified in the schedule to this Act, being distinguished in the said schedule by the letters (A.), (B.), and (C.) respectively.

Powers for compulsory purchases limited.

5. The powers of the Company for the compulsory purchase of lands for the purposes of this Act shall not be exercised after the expiration of three years from the passing thereof.

Power to erect and maintain gasworks.

6. The Company, with a view of carrying on their business more efficiently at Bray, may, upon the lands (A.) and (B.) described in the first portion of the schedule to this Act, or parts thereof respectively, construct and maintain, and from time to time alter, improve, enlarge, extend, and renew or discontinue gasworks and other works connected therewith, including works for the manufacture, conversion, or utilisation and distribution of materials used in and about the manufacture of gas, and of the residual products resulting from such manufacture, and upon those lands, or some of them, may manufacture gas, and may manufacture, convert, utilise, and distribute such materials and residual products as aforesaid, and may also on those lands, or some of them, store gas and erect houses, buildings, machinery, and apparatus necessary for and incidental to those several purposes.

Power to lay mains and pipes under railway bridge.

7. For the purposes of and in connexion with their works at Bray, the Company may lay down gas mains and pipes under the bridge of the Wicklow Company crossing the river at Bray.

Works affecting railway company to be approved by their engineer.

8. Before the Company shall lay down any such gas mains or pipes under the bridge of the Wicklow Company as aforesaid, the Company shall furnish to the Wicklow Company proper and sufficient plans and sections of the works proposed to be made by the Company under the bridge of the said railway, and such plans and sections shall be subject to the reasonable approval of the principal engineer for the time being of the Wicklow Company.

Application of moneys.

9. Nothing in this Act contained shall confer upon the Company any greater or additional powers of raising money by shares, by borrowing, or otherwise than were possessed by them before the passing of this Act; but the Company may apply for the purposes of this Act any moneys now belonging to them, or which they are authorised to raise by shares or stock or by borrowing, and which may not be required for the special purposes (if any) for which the same were authorised to be raised under the former Acts, or any of them.

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Lands, &c. at Bray to be subject to provisions of former Acts.

10. Subject to the provisions of this Act and the said schedule, the Company may, upon or in respect of the lands and works at Bray by this Act authorised to be acquired or constructed, exercise and enjoy all rights, powers, and privileges conferred upon the Company by the former Acts, or any of them.

Expenses of Act.

11. All costs, charges, and expenses of and incidental to the preparing for, obtaining, and passing of this Act, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall be paid by the Company.

The SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Act refers. A.D. 1877.

PART I.

Lands authorised to be used for the Construction of Gasworks.

(A.) A piece of land (on which the gasworks of the Company at Bray are now situated) in the townland, parish, and township of Bray, barony of Rathdown, and county of Wicklow, bounded on the east by the Bray Docks and the roadway adjoining the same, on the west by the Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexford Railway, on the north by the said road, and on the south by the premises known as Dock Terrace, and which piece of land measures on the east and west sides respectively 148 feet or thereabouts, on the north side 46 feet and 6 inches or thereabouts, and on the south side 35 feet or thereabouts.

(B.) A piece of land in the townland, parish, and township of Bray, barony of Rathdown, and county of Wicklow, bounded on the east by the said railway, and measuring from north to south 300 feet or thereabouts on that side, bounded on the north by the southern bank of the Bray River for a distance of 145 feet or thereabouts measured along that bank from the south-eastern end of the wooden bridge over the said river near the railway bridge, on the west by an imaginary line drawn from the western end of the said northern boundary for a distance of 300 feet or thereabouts in a southerly direction and parallel to the said railway, and on the south by an imaginary line drawn from the southern end of the western boundary of the said piece of land as last described to the said railway, and parallel or nearly parallel to the northern boundary herein-before described.

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PART II.

Additional Lands to be acquired and used by the Company, but not for purposes of Manufacture.

(c.) A piece of land in the townland, parish, and township of Bray, barony of Rathdown, and county of Wicklow, bounded on the north by the piece of land (b.) before described, on the south by the Seapoint Road, on the east by the said railway, and on the west by an imaginary line drawn parallel to that railway and at a distance of 20 feet therefrom, which piece of land measures from north to south 200 feet or thereabouts on each of those sides thereof, and from east to west 20 feet or thereabouts throughout.

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