ANNO UNDECIMO & DUODECIMO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

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Cap. xxxix.

An Act to amend and enlarge the Powers of an Act passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, and of an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, for supplying the Towns of *Old* and *New Brentford* in the County of *Middlesex*, and other Places therein mentioned, with Gas. [30th *June* 1848.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the First and Second Years of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for* 1 & 2 G. 4.
supplying the Towns of Old *and* New Brentford, *and the Villages of* c. 69.
Turnham Green, Hammersmith, *and* Kensington, *in the County of* Middlesex, *with Gas*, and by which Act it was amongst other things

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enacted, that the several Parties and Bodies therein mentioned should be incorporated by the Name of "The *Brentford* Gaslight Company:" And whereas an Act was passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend and enlarge the Powers of an Act passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King* George *the Fourth, for supplying the Towns of* Old and New Brentford *in the County of* Middlesex, *and other Places therein mentioned, with Gas; and to raise a further Sum of Money for carrying on the said Undertaking:* And whereas the whole of the Capital authorized to be raised by the said first-recited Act has been raised, and the Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds authorized to be raised by the said secondly recited Act has also been raised: And whereas the said *Brentford* Gaslight Company have established Works, and have for many Years lighted various Places and Buildings in the said Towns and Villages and the Places adjacent, which has been found to be attended with great Convenience to the Inhabitants thereof and the Public; and the Demand for Gas since the passing of the secondly recited Act has greatly increased, and is likely still further to increase, in the said Towns and Villages and Places adjacent: And whereas, in order to enable the said Company to extend their Supply of Gas so as to be able to meet the increasing Demand for the same in the said Towns and Villages and Places adjacent, it is necessary and expedient that they should have Power to purchase a larger Quantity of Land, and to raise a further Sum of Money, and also that the Powers of the said Company should be enlarged, and some of the Provisions in the said recited Acts altered and amended; but the same 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, That from and after the passing of this Act it shall and may be lawful for the said Company, in addition to the Two Acres of Land (which by the said first-recited Act they are authorized to purchase and hold), to purchase any further Quantity of Land not exceeding Five Acres, for the Purposes of the said recited Acts and of this Act, and that all and every the Powers and Provisions in the said first-recited Act contained shall apply to such Lands so to be purchased under this Provision, and in all respects as if by the said first-recited Act the said Company had been authorized to purchase Seven Acres of Land in the whole instead of the Two Acres by the said first-recited Act authorized to be purchased and held.

5 & 6 Vict. c. 78.

Powers to the Company to purchase additional Land.

II. And

So much of first-recited Act as empowers Company to appoint Officers repealed, and Powers vested in Committee of Management.

II. And be it enacted, That so much of the said first-recited Act as enables the said Company at any General Meeting to nominate, elect, and appoint, and remove, their Treasurer or Treasurers, Clerk or Clerks, or other Officers, be hereby repealed, and that instead thereof it shall be lawful for the Committee of Management of the Affairs of the said Company therein mentioned, from Time to Time after the passing of this Act, to nominate and elect and to appoint any Person or Persons to be a Treasurer or Treasurers, Clerk or Clerks, or other Officer or Officers, or Agent or Agents of the said Company, and from Time to Time to remove any such Treasurer or Treasurers, Clerk or Clerks, or other Officer or Officers, or Agent or Agents, and to nominate, elect, and appoint another Person or other Persons in his or their Room or Stead, and to make such Appointments or any of them under the Corporate Seal of the said Company, and from Time to Time to fix the Amount of Salary or Remuneration to be paid to each of the said Treasurers, Clerks, or other Officers or Agents: Provided always, that all Provisions whatsoever relating to the Treasurers, Clerks, and other Officers and Agents appointed by the said Company contained in the said recited Acts shall apply to the Treasurers, Clerks, or other Officers or Agents to be appointed by the said Committee of Management under this Provision.

Number of Committee of Management necessary to be present at Meetings.

III. And be it enacted, That all Acts by the said first-recited Act authorized to be done by the said Committee of Management, the Number of the Members present not being less than Five, may be done by the Majority in Number of the Members present at any Meeting of the Committee of Management if the Number present shall not be less than Four, instead of Five, as by the said first-recited Act is provided, and as if the Quorum required by the said first-recited Act had been Four instead of Five.

Power for Committee of Management to call for Amount subscribed for, and to raise 10,000*l.* additional Money.

IV. And whereas the said Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds authorized to be raised by the said secondly recited Act has been raised in manner following; (that is to say,) the Shareholders of the said Company have subscribed for Eight hundred new Shares of Twenty-five Pounds each, and have paid up Seven Pounds on account of each Share, amounting to Five thousand six hundred Pounds, and the said Company have borrowed on their Bonds the Sum of Fourteen thousand four hundred Pounds, and have since the passing of the said secondly recited Act expended upwards of Nineteen thousand Pounds in the Purchase of Land, and in Buildings, Mains, and other permanent Additions and Improvements, and the Income of the said Company has since the passing of the said secondly recited Act progressively increased, and at the present Time amounts to Thirteen thousand

thousand Pounds a Year; and it is expedient that the said Company should have Power to call for the Payment of the Amount subscribed for on account of the said Eight hundred new Shares, and also to raise such a further Sum as will make up the Amount of Twenty thousand Pounds authorized to be borrowed by the said secondly recited Act, and to pay off and reborrow the same, and also to borrow and to pay off and reborrow the Sum of Ten thousand Pounds in addition to the Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds authorized to be borrowed by the said secondly recited Act, making together the Sum of Thirty thousand Pounds, and the same or any Part thereof to convert into Capital or raise by the Creation of new Shares in manner hereinafter and in the said secondly recited Act mentioned; be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Committee of Management for the Time being of the said Company to call for the several Amounts subscribed for on account of the said Eight hundred new Shares, or any Part thereof, in the same Manner, and with the same Powers and Remedies, and subject to the same Provisions in all respects for enforcing the Payment thereof, as if the same had formed Part of the Amount subscribed for under and by virtue of the said first-recited Act, and also to raise or borrow and pay off and reborrow such further Sum as will make up the Amount of Twenty thousand Pounds authorized to be borrowed by the said secondly recited Act in manner therein specified, and, (in addition to the Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds which by the said secondly recited Act the said Company were authorized to borrow and to pay off and reborrow,) to raise or borrow the Sum of Ten thousand Pounds, making, with the said Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds, the Sum of Thirty thousand Pounds, and that all and every the Provisions and Clauses in the said secondly recited Act contained or referred to in anywise relative to the borrowing, paying off, and reborrowing the said Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds, and to the Securities to be given for the same, and the Rights and Remedies of the Creditors of the said Company, and of converting any Loan into Capital, or of raising all or any Part of the Money authorized to be borrowed by the Creation of new Shares in the Capital of the said Company, shall be taken to extend and apply and shall extend and apply as well to the said Sum of Ten thousand Pounds hereby authorized to be borrowed as to the said Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds, making in all the Sum of Thirty thousand Pounds, and in all respects as if by the said secondly recited Act the Sum of Thirty thousand Pounds instead of the Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds had been authorized to be borrowed.

Furnaces to consume their own Smoke.

V. And be it enacted, That from and after the First Day of *January* next all Furnaces employed or to be employed in the

 Works

Works of the said Company shall in all Cases where the same is practicable be so constructed as to consume or prevent their own Smoke; and if any of the Persons employed in the said Works shall after the said First Day of *January* next use any Furnace which shall not be so constructed, or shall negligently use the same, whereby the Smoke thereof shall not be prevented or consumed as aforesaid, he or they so offending, and being convicted thereof before any Two or more Justices of the Peace acting for and within the Jurisdiction wherein the said Works may be, on Complaint made within One Month after the Cause of such Complaint shall have arisen, shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, or be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction of the County or Place wherein the said Works may be, there to remain, without Bail or Mainprize, for any Time not exceeding Three Calendar Months, unless the said Penalties, and all Costs, Charges, and Expenses, shall be sooner paid and satisfied.

Saving the Rights of the Metropolis Commissioners of Sewers.

VI. And be it enacted, That, notwithstanding any Provisions herein-before or in the said recited Acts contained, the said Company shall not be at liberty to stop up, obstruct, or in any way interfere with any Sewers, Drains, or Watercourses under the Management or Control of or within the Jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Sewers for the City and Liberty of *Westminster* and Part of the County of *Middlesex*, without the previous Sanction and Consent of the said Commissioners; and the said Company shall not under this or the said recited Acts or either of them carry on any Works or Operations which would in any way interfere with the public Health or Advantage as connected with the Sewerage of the District, or which would interfere with, prejudice, or alter the Rights, Powers, and Authorities of the said Commissioners, without the previous Sanction and Consent of the said Commissioners, nor without the Company doing such Works and complying with such Regulations as the said Commissioners may require in the Premises; but the Rights, Powers, and Authorities of the said Commissioners shall remain unaffected by this Act and the said recited Acts, and the said Company be subject to the Laws of Sewers in all respects in the same Manner as if this Act and the said recited Acts had not passed.

Expenses of Act.

VII. And be it enacted, That all the Costs and Expenses attending the applying for, obtaining, and passing this Act, and all other Expenses incident thereto, shall in the first place, and in preference to all other Payments whatsoever, be paid by and

out of the Money in the Hands of the said Company, or out of the first Money which could be raised or received under or by virtue of the said recited Acts or of this Act, or any of them.

Public Act. VIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be deemed to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such.

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