CHAPTER lxxxiv.

An Act to authorise the Bristol United Gaslight Company to purchase additional lands for the purposes of their undertaking. [12th July 1877.]

A.D. 1877.

WHEREAS the Bristol United Gaslight Company (herein-after called "the Company") were incorporated by "The Bristol United Gaslight Company's Act, 1853," and were authorised to supply gas in the city and county of Bristol and the electoral district of seven miles from any part of the boundary of the said city and county, and any parish part only of which may be included within the electoral district aforesaid, and especially the parishes of Westbury-upon-Trym, Horfield, Stapleton, and Saint George's in Gloucestershire, and Bedminster, Brislington, and Keynsham in Somersetshire:

16 & 17 Vict. c. lxxxiv.

And whereas by reason of the increase of the inhabitants within the said district, and the more general use of gas for manufacturing, commercial, and domestic purposes, there is a great increase in the consumption every year, which renders it necessary for the Company from time to time to make large extensions of their works to provide for such increased consumption:

And whereas the Company by "The Bristol United Gaslight Company's Act, 1876," were authorised to purchase certain lands described in the schedule to that Act, and to construct works thereon for the manufacture and storage of gas and the conversion of residual products resulting therefrom, for providing such increased consumption:

39 & 40 Vict. c. cvii.

And whereas the Company have purchased the said lands, but by reason of there being a public footpath or right of way across the centre thereof the Company are unable to use the said lands for the purposes aforesaid, and it is expedient that the Company should be authorised to close the said right of way and construct another in its stead, and to purchase, by compulsion or otherwise, additional land for that purpose:

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And whereas the Company require additional lands for the general purposes of their undertaking, not manufacturing or storing of gas, and the property of the Company now used for such general purposes is intersected by other lands not belonging to the Company, and it is expedient that the Company should be authorised to purchase the same compulsorily or otherwise:

And whereas plans showing the right of way proposed to be diverted and the land proposed to be purchased for such diversion, and also the land now intersecting the Company's property, with a book of reference to the owners and lessees, or the reputed owners and lessees, and of the occupiers of such lands, have been deposited with the clerks of the peace for the city and county of Bristol and the county of Gloucester, and are in this Act referred to as the deposited plans:

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. The Act may be cited as "The Bristol United Gaslight Company's (Additional Lands) Act, 1877."

Certain general Acts incorporated.

2. The Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts, 1845, 1860, and 1869, shall be incorporated with and form part of this Act.

Power to construct footpath and take additional lands for general purposes.

3. Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Company may, according to the line shown on the deposited plans, construct a public footpath, and may enter upon, take, and use such of the lands delineated on the said plans and described in the deposited book of reference as may be required for that purpose; that is to say,

A footpath commencing in the parish of Saint Philip and Saint Jacob Without, in the city and county of Bristol, and terminating in the adjoining parish of Stapleton, in the county of Gloucester:

And the Company may, in addition to the lands required for the purposes aforesaid, take and use for the general purposes of their undertaking such other lands in the said parish of Saint Philip and Sint Jacob Without as are delineated upon the deposited plans and described in the book of reference aforesaid, but such lands shall not be used by the Company for the purpose of manufacturing gas or residual products thereon.

Power to stop up and appropriate site of the right of way.

4. The Company, upon the completion of the said footway, may stop up and extinguish any right of way or other easement and appropriate the site thereof in, over, or upon certain lands lying between the Great Western Railway in the parish of Saint Philip and Saint Jacob Without, in the city and county of Bristol, and the Midland Railway in the parish of Stapleton, in the county of Gloucester, which said lands have been recently purchased by the Company under the powers of "The Bristol United Gaslight Company's Act, 1876," for the construction of additional works: Provided always, that the present easement over the Company's land shall not cease until a footroad at least five feet wide from the occupation road contiguous to the Great Western Railway arch and running thence northward to the Treefield Road is constructed, and also the other portion of the footpath and road as delineated on the deposited plan be finished to the satisfaction of the engineer for the time being of the Corporation of Bristol, and the same be respectively dedicated to the public.

Expenses of Act.

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

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