CHAP. clxxvi.

An Act to extend the Time granted to the Burry Port and Gwendreath Valley Railway Company for the completion of certain Railways. [31st July 1871.]

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WHEREAS by an Act passed in the fifty-second year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, chapter one hundred and seventy-three, the Kidwelly and Llanelly Canal and Tramroad Company were incorporated, and were authorised to make certain works, canals, and branch canals as therein described, and by "The Kidwelly and Burry Port Railway Act, 1865," in this Act called "the Act of 1865," the said Company were authorised to stop up and discontinue the use of their canals, and to make a railway from Burry Port in the parish of Pembrey, and to join the Mountain Branch of the Llanelly Railway with branches, but the said Company are now under "The Burry Port and Gwendreath Valley Railway Company's Act, 1866," in this Act called "the Act of 1866," merged in, and their undertaking and powers are now vested in, "The Burry Port and Gwendreath Valley Railway Company," herein referred to as "the Company:" 52 G. 3. c. clxxiii.

And whereas by "The Burry Port and Gwendreath Valley Railway Amendment Act, 1868," the time limited by the Act of 1865 for the completion of the railways by that Act authorised was extended until the first day of August one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one:

And whereas the exchequer bills deposited with the Court of Chancery as a security for the completion of the railways authorised by the Act of 1865 have been released upon a certificate of the Board of Trade of the fulfilment of the conditions upon which such exchequer bills were, under the terms of the said Act, to be returned to the depositors:

And whereas a part of the Railway Number 1, mentioned in the Act of 1865, and the railways secondly, thirdly, and fourthly described in the said Act, remain to be completed, and it is expedient

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that the period limited by the Act of 1868 for the completion of the said portion of railway and of the said railways should be extended:

And whereas the objects aforesaid cannot be accomplished 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:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited for any purposes as "The Burry Port and Gwendreath Valley Railway Amendment Act, 1871."

Extending to Act Part II. of 26 & 27 Vict. c. 92.

2. Part II. of "The Railways Clauses Act, 1863," relating to extension of time, is incorporated with and forms part of this Act.

Extending time for constructing parts of authorised undertakings of Company.

3. The time limited by the Act of 1868 for the completion of the before-mentioned railways, subject to the provision next hereinafter contained as to railway No. 3, is by this Act further extended until the first day of August one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

Company to complete railway No. 3 within a year.

4. Provided always, that the Company shall, within one year from the passing of this Act, complete and open for traffic the railway No. 3 mentioned in the said Act of 1865, and it shall not be lawful for the Company to open for traffic that part of railway No. 1 mentioned in the Act of 1865, which runs from its present terminus at Ponteberem to the junction with the Mountain Branch of the Llanelly Railway until the railway No. 3 shall be opened for traffic.

Limiting time for completion of railways.

5. If the railways shall not be completed within the respective periods limited by this Act, then, on the expiration of such respective periods, the powers by the Act of 1865 and this Act granted to the Company for completing the railways, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall cease to be exercised except as to so much thereof as shall then be completed.

Deposits for future Bills not to be paid out of Company's capital.

6. The Company shall not, out of any money which they are by any Act authorised to raise, pay or deposit any sum of money which, by any standing order of either House of Parliament, now in force or hereafter to be in force, may be required to be deposited in respect of any application to Parliament for the purpose of obtaining an Act authorising the Company to construct any railway, or to execute any other work or undertaking.

Railways not exempt from provisions of present and future general Acts.

7. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to exempt the railways of the Company or the Company from the provisions of any general Act relating to railways, or the better and more impartial audit of the accounts of railway companies now in force, or which may hereafter pass during this or any future session of Parliament, or from any future revision or alteration, under the authority of Parliament, of the maximum rates of fares and charges, or the rates for small parcels authorised to be taken by the Company.

Expenses of Act.

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

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