CHAPTER cxliii.

An Act to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of lands for and for the completion of the railways authorised by the Burry Port and North-western Junction Railway Act 1876 and the Burry Port and North-western Junction Railway Amendment Act 1881. A.D. 1887.

[8th August 1887.]

WHEREAS by the Burry Port and North-western Junction Railway Act 1876 (in this Act called the Act of 1876) the Burry Port and North-western Junction Railway Company (in this Act referred to as the Company) were incorporated for making a railway from the Burry Port and Gwendreath Valley Railway to the line of the Central Wales and Carmarthen Junction Railway Company and for other purposes:

And whereas by the Burry Port and North-western Junction Railway Amendment Act 1881 (in this Act called the Act of 1881) the powers of the Company for the compulsory purchase of land for the purposes of their said railway were revived and extended and the time limited by the Act of 1876 for the completion of their said railway was also extended and the Company were authorised to make a railway from their authorised railway to the authorised railway of the Llanelly and Mynydd Mawr Railway Company:

And whereas by the Burry Port and North-western Junction Railway Amendment Act 1884 (in this Act called the Act of 1884) the powers of the Company for the compulsory purchase of land for the purposes of their railway authorised to be made by the Act of 1876 were further revived and extended and their powers for the compulsory purchase of land for the purposes of their railway authorised to be made by the Act of 1881 were extended and the respective times limited by the said Acts for the completion of the said railways were also extended:

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And whereas the powers of the Company for the compulsory purchase of land for the purposes of the railway authorised by the Act of 1876 as so revived and extended as aforesaid and also their powers for completing that railway as extended by the Act of 1881 and the Act of 1884 will expire on the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven:

And whereas the powers of the Company for the compulsory purchase of land for the railway authorised by the Act of 1881 as extended by the Act of 1884 will expire on the third day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven and their powers for completing that railway will expire on the third day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight:

And whereas it is expedient that the respective times so limited as aforesaid for the compulsory purchase of lands for and for the completion of the said railways should be further extended:

And whereas the purposes of this Act 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 Burry Port and North-western Junction Railway Amendment Act 1887.

Incorporation of general Act.

2. Part II. (relating to extension of time) of the Railways Clauses Act 1863 is incorporated with and forms part of this Act.

Extension of time for compulsory purchase of lands.

3. The powers of the Act of 1876 as revived and extended by the Act of 1881 and the Act of 1884 with respect to the compulsory purchase or taking of the lands required or which may be taken for the purposes of the railway authorised to be made by the Act of 1876 are hereby further extended and shall continue in force till the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine and the powers of the Act of 1881 as extended by the Act of 1884 with respect to the compulsory purchase or taking of the lands required or which may be taken for the purposes of the railway authorised to be made by the Act of 1881 are hereby also extended and shall continue in force until the said twenty-seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Extension of time for completion of railways.

4. The time limited by the Act of 1876 as extended by the Act of 1881 and the Act of 1884 for the completion of the railway by

the Act of 1876 authorised is hereby further extended until the twenty-seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety and that period shall for all purposes be deemed to be the period limited by the Act of 1876 for the completion of that railway and sections 32 and 33 of that Act shall be read and have effect accordingly and the time limited by the Act of 1881 as extended by the Act of 1884 for the completion of the railway by the Act of 1881 authorised is hereby extended until the said twenty-seventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety and that period shall for all purposes be deemed to be the period limited by the Act of 1881 for the completion of the said railway and sections 14 and 15 of that Act shall be read and have effect accordingly.

Restriction on displacing persons of labouring class.

5. The Company shall not under the powers of this or any previous Act without the sanction of the Local Government Board purchase or acquire in any city borough or other urban sanitary district or in any parish or part of a parish not being within an urban sanitary district ten or more houses which after the passing of this Act have been or on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partly by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers. For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Defining labouring class.

Rights of Postmaster-General as to railways.

6. The undertaking of the Company shall for the purposes of section 6 of the Telegraph Act 1878 be deemed to be an undertaking authorised by Act of Parliament passed after the first day of January 1878 and the Postmaster General shall have the same rights powers and authorities in under upon along over and across such undertaking of the Company as are conferred upon him by that section with respect to undertakings mentioned or referred to in such section.

Provision as to general railway Acts.

7. Nothing in this Act shall exempt the railway 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

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or of the rates for small parcels authorised to be taken by the Company.

Costs of Act.

8. The costs charges and expenses preliminary to and of and incidental to the preparing of and applying for and the obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company.

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