CHAPTER xxxi.

An Act to extend the periods limited by the Clyde Navigation Act 1894 for the compulsory purchase of lands and for the completion of the railway authorised by the Clyde Navigation Act 1891. [3rd June 1897.] A.D. 1897.

WHEREAS by the Clyde Navigation Consolidation Act 1858 the Trustees of the Clyde Navigation (herein-after called "the Trustees") were incorporated and empowered to carry into effect the provisions of that Act and further powers were conferred on the Trustees by subsequent Acts:

And whereas it is expedient that the periods limited by the Clyde Navigation Act 1894 (herein-after called "the Act of 1894") for the compulsory purchase of lands and for the completion of the railway authorised by the Clyde Navigation Act 1891 (herein-after called "the Act of 1891") should be 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 Clyde Navigation Act 1897 This Act and the other Acts relating to the Clyde Navigation passed in the years 1858 1864 1868 1870 1873 1878 1883 1884 1887 1888 1890 1891 and 1894 may be cited as the Clyde Navigation Acts 1858 to 1897.

Incorporation of Part II. of Railways Clauses Act 1863.

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

Extending period limited by

3. The time limited by the Act of 1894 for the compulsory purchase of lands for the purposes of the railway authorised by

A.D. 1897.

Act of 1894 for compulsory purchase of lands.

and described in section 4 of the Act of 1891 is hereby extended for a period of two years from the eleventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and on the expiration of that period those powers shall cease.

Extending period limited by Act of 1894 for completion of railway.

4. The time limited by the Act of 1894 for the completion of the said railway is hereby extended for a period of three years from the eleventh day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine If the railway is not completed within the period limited by this Act then on the expiration of such period the powers by the Act of 1891 the Act of 1894 and this Act granted to the Trustees for making and completing the railway or otherwise in relation thereto shall cease except as to so much thereof as shall then be completed.

Restriction on taking houses of labouring class.

5. The Trustees shall not under the powers of this Act or under the powers of the former Acts extended by this Act purchase or acquire ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December next before the passing of this Act or of the respective former Act by which such purchase or acquisition was originally authorised as the case may be were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Secretary for Scotland ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said respective fifteenth day of December but have been or shall be subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and 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.

Expenses of Act.

6. 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 Trustees out of the rates authorised to be levied or the moneys authorised to be borrowed by them.

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