CHAPTER cxiii.

An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Crystal Palace District Gas Company. [3d July 1879.]

A.D. 1879.

WHEREAS the following Acts of Parliament have been passed and are in force relating to the Crystal Palace District Gas Company (herein-after in this Act called "the Company"); that is to say,

The Crystal Palace District Gas Company's Act, 1858; — 21 & 22 Vict. c. cxxix.
The Crystal Palace District Gas Company's Amendment Act, 1865; and — 28 & 29 Vict. c. xxxii.
The Crystal Palace District Gas Act, 1873: — 36 & 37 Vict. c. lix.

And whereas doubts have arisen whether under the provisions of the said Acts and of the Acts incorporated therewith the Company are authorised to supply fittings for the purposes of the supply and consumption of gas other than meters and fittings in connexion with meters, and it is expedient that the Company should, subject to the conditions by this Act prescribed, be authorised to supply, sell, or let to consumers of gas within the Company's district proper burners and other fittings for the use of gas for lighting, heating, cooking, and otherwise:

And whereas it is also expedient that the Company should be authorised to provide, supply, sell, or let to consumers of gas within their district engines or machines to be worked by the Company's gas for domestic, agricultural, manufacturing, or industrial purposes:

And whereas the purposes of this Act cannot be attained 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,)

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Crystal Palace District Gas Act, 1879. Short title.

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Power to supply gas fittings, engines, and other apparatus.

2. The Company may buy or hire, and may supply, sell, or let to consumers of gas within their district or limits, for use upon premises belonging to or occupied by such consumers, burners, tubes, and stoves or ranges for heating or cooking by means of gas, and any other materials or fittings for the use of gas for domestic or other purposes, and also engines and machines for domestic, agricultural, manufacturing, industrial, or any other purposes whatever, to be worked by means of gas for the production of motive power, and any materials or fittings to be used in connexion therewith.

Recovery of rent, &c.

3. The Company may charge for any fittings, engines, or other things supplied, sold, or let under the powers of this Act such price, rent, or sum as may be agreed upon between the Company and the other party to any such agreement, and may either demand the same in advance (with or without any deposit or security for the value, price, or hire, as may be agreed upon) or recover the same from time to time as a debt in any court of competent jurisdiction; and for the purposes of this Act the expression "court of competent jurisdiction" shall have effect as if the debt or demand with respect to which the expression is used were a simple contract debt, and not a debt or demand created by statute.

Company to keep separate accounts of all moneys received or expended under Act.

4. The Company shall keep separate accounts of all moneys received or expended by them under the authority of this Act, and the total amount of capital expended under such authority shall not exceed five per centum of the paid-up capital for the time being of the Company.

Expenses of Act.

5. 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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