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Cap. lxxxiv.

An Act for forming and regulating a Company to be called "The General Filtration and Dye Extract Company;" and to enable the said Company to purchase certain Letters Patent.

[19th *July* 1839.]

Letters Patent, dated 14th June 1838.

WHEREAS by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, bearing Date at *Westminster* on or about the Fourteenth Day of *June* in the First Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen *Victoria*, Her said Majesty did give and grant unto *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, and Asssigns, the sole Privilege that he the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and such others as he the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, should at any Time agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend within that Part of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* called *England*, the Dominion of *Wales*, and the Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, an Invention therein mentioned of Improvements in clarifying Water and other Liquids: And whereas by Letters Patent directed by Her present Majesty, at *Saint James's Palace*, on the Twenty-ninth Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to be sealed under

Letters Patent for Scotland, dated 29th Oct. 1838, sealed 30th April 1939.

under the Seal by the Treaty of Union ordained to be used in *Scotland* in the Stead of the Great Seal thereof, and accordingly sealed with such Seal at *Edinburgh* on the Thirtieth Day of *April* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, Her said Majesty did grant unto the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege that he the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and such other as he the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, should agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent, should make, use, exercise, and vend an Invention therein described of Improvements in clarifying Water and other Liquids within that Part of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* called *Scotland*:

Letters Patent for Ireland, dated 27th June 1839.

And whereas by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Ireland*, bearing Date at *Dublin* on or about the Twenty-seventh Day of *June* in the Third Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, Her said Majesty did give and grant unto the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege that he the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, or such other Persons as he the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, should at any Time agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend in *Ireland* an Invention therein described of Improvements in clarifying Waters and other Liquids:

Letters Patent, dated 1st Dec. 1838.

And whereas the Specifications required by the said several Letters Patent granted to the said *George Price* have been duly enrolled: And whereas by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, bearing Date at *Westminster* on or about the First Day of *December* in the Second Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen *Victoria*, Her said Majesty did give and grant unto *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and such others as he the said *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, should at any Time agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend within that Part of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* called *England*, the Dominion of *Wales*, and the Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, an Invention therein mentioned of Improvements in Apparatus and Materials employed in filtering and clarifying Waters and other Liquids:

Letters Patent for Scotland, dated 6th Dec. 1838, sealed 30th April 1839.

And whereas by Letters Patent directed by Her present Majesty, at *Saint James's Palace*, on the Sixth Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to be sealed under the Seal by the Treaty of Union ordained to be used in *Scotland* in the Stead of the Great Seal thereof, and accordingly sealed with such Seal at *Edinburgh* on the Thirtieth Day of *April* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, Her said Majesty did grant unto the said *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege that he the said *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and such others as he the said *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, should agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent, should make, use, exercise, and vend an Invention therein described of Improvements in Appa-

ratus or Materials employed in filtering and clarifying Water and other Liquids within that Part of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* called *Scotland*: And whereas by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Ireland*, bearing Date at *Dublin* on or about the Twentieth Day of *June* in the Third Year of the Reign of Her said present Majesty, Her said Majesty did give and grant unto the said *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege that he the said *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and such other Persons as he the said *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, should at any Time agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend in *Ireland* an Invention therein described of Improvements in Apparatus and Materials employed in filtering Waters and other Liquids: And whereas the Specifications required by the said several Letters Patent so granted to the said *William Pontifex* have been duly enrolled: And whereas by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, bearing Date at *Westminster* on or about the Eleventh Day of *February* in the Second Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen *Victoria*, Her said Majesty did give and grant unto *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege that they the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and such others as they the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, should at any Time agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend within *England* and *Wales* and the Town of *Berwick upon Tweed* an Invention therein mentioned of a new Mode of obtaining Dye Colours, Tannin, and Acids from Vegetable Substances: And whereas by Letters Patent directed by Her present Majesty, at *Saint James's Palace*, on the Second Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, to be sealed under the Seal by the Treaty of Union ordained to be used in *Scotland* in the Stead of the Great Seal thereof, and accordingly sealed with such Seal at *Edinburgh* the Twelfth Day of *February* in the said Year, Her said Majesty did grant unto the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege that they the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, or such other Persons as they should agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent, should make, use, exercise, and vend an Invention therein described of a new Mode of obtaining Vegetable Extracts, within that Part of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* called *Scotland*: And whereas by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Ireland*, bearing Date at *Dublin* on or about the Seventh Day of *March* in the Second Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen *Victoria*, Her said Majesty did give and grant unto the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege that they the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns,

Letters Patent for Ireland, dated 20th June 1839.

Letters Patent, dated 11th Feb. 1839.

Letters Patent for Scotland, dated 2d Feb. 1839, sealed 12th Feb. 1839.

Letters Patent for Ireland, dated 7th March 1839.

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or such other Persons as they the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, should at any Time agree with, and no others, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the said Leters Patent, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend in *Ireland* an Invention therein described of a new Mode of obtaining Vegetable Extracts: And whereas the Specifications required by the several Letters Patent so granted to the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex* have been duly enrolled: And whereas the said Inventions of a new Mode of obtaining Dye Colours, Tannin, and Acids from Vegetable Substances, and of a new Mode of obtaining Vegetable Extracts, arise from the Application of the Principle of the said firstly-mentioned Invention of Improvements in clarifying Water and other Liquids, and of the said secondly-mentioned Invention of Improvement in Apparatus and Materials employed in filtering and clarifying Waters and other Liquids, and all the said Inventions are intimately connected: And whereas the said Discoveries and Inventions comprised in the said Letters Patent respectively will be of great public Advantage and Importance if Means are provided for facilitating the general Use thereof by erecting and establishing Works for that Purpose: And whereas *Edward Henry Darell*, *Alfred Head*, *James Irving*, *Henry Walker Wood*, and *Frederick Cayley Worsley*, being Persons of Capital, and being satisfied of the great Utility of the said Discoveries and Inventions, and that the full Benefit of the same would be more advantageously and extensively exercised and afforded to the Public by a Joint Stock Company to be formed and established for that Purpose, are desirous of purchasing the said Letters Patent so granted as aforesaid, and the said *George Price* and *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex* are willing to sell and assign the said Letters Patent unto the said Company, according to their several Interests in the same respectively, if they shall be authorized or enabled by Parliament to make such Assignment without making the said Letters Patent respectively void; but the several Purposes aforesaid cannot be effected without the Aid and 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, That the said *Edward Henry Darell*, *Alfred Head*, *James Irving*, *Henry Walker Wood*, *Frederick Cayley Worsley*, and all and every other Persons and Person, Bodies and Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, who shall for the Time being hold any Share or Shares in the Capital or Joint Stock herein-after mentioned, (so long as they shall respectively hold the same, and no longer,) and their respective Successors, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, shall be and they are hereby established and united into a Joint Stock Company by the Name of "The General Filtration and Dye Extract Company."

Company established.

Purpose of the Company.

II. And be it further enacted, That the said Company shall be established for the Purpose of purchasing the said Letters Patent, and exercising the said Discoveries and Inventions, or any of them, or any Part or Parts thereof respectively, in the Manner and according to

to the Process or Processes in the said Specifications mentioned, and also for the erecting and establishing Works containing such Apparatus and Machinery, as to the said Company may seem expedient, and also for the Appointment of proper Persons to attend and conduct the same, with full Power to the said Company to grant any Licences to others to use the said Discoveries and Inventions, or any of them, or any Part or Parts thereof respectively, under such Limitations and Restrictions as the said Company shall think fit, and generally to vend, use, employ, and deal with the said Inventions and the said Letters Patent, for their own Profit, Benefit, and Advantage, in such Manner in all respects as the said Company shall think fit.

Patentees may assign Letters Patent to the Company without Forfeiture.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to purchase, and also for the said *George Price*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and also for the said *William Pontifex*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and also for the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, at any Time after the passing of this Act, to sell, transfer, grant, and assign unto the said Company, or unto any Person or Persons as a Trustee or Trustees for the said Company hereby established, the said several Letters Patent, or any or either of them, granted to the said *George Price* as aforesaid, and granted to the said *William Pontifex* as aforesaid, and granted to the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex* as aforesaid, and the Inventions therein comprised, or any or either of them, or any Part thereof, and all or any of the Rights, Privileges, Benefits, and Advantages of the said *George Price*, and of the said *William Pontifex*, and of the said *Charles Gabriel Suarce* and *William Pontifex* respectively, in or to the same, or any or either of them, of and in all Licences granted under the same, or any or either of them, or to grant unto or to any Person or Persons as a Trustee or Trustees for the said Company hereby established any Licence or Licences, exclusive or otherwise, to use, make, exercise, and vend the said Inventions, or any of them, or any Part or Parts thereof respectively; and every such Sale, Transfer, Grant, and Assignment of any such Letters Patent as aforesaid, or of all or any of the Rights, Privileges, Benefits, or Advantages granted by such Letters Patent as aforesaid, or of all or any Benefit of such Licences, and any such Grant or Grants of Licence and Licences to or in Trust for the said Company as aforesaid, shall be good, valid, and effectual to all Intents and Purposes, and shall not render void any such Letters Patent, any Provisoes or Restrictions, Proviso or Restriction, contained in any such Letters Patent, to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding; and after any such Sale, Transfer, Grant, or Assignment as aforesaid, or of any of the Rights, Privileges, Benefits, or Advantage granted by any such Letters Patent as aforesaid, or of any such Licence or Licences as aforesaid, all such Letters Patent, Rights, Privileges, Benefits, Advantages, and Licences respectively shall be and the same are hereby declared to be fully, absolutely, and effectually vested in the said Company, or held or possessed by some Person or Persons as a Trustee or Trustees for the said Company, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever; and all and every such Letters Patent as aforesaid which shall or may be sold, transferred, or assigned as aforesaid,

or under or by virtue of which any such Licence or Licences shall or may be granted as aforesaid, shall thenceforth be construed and considered in such and the same Manner, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as if no such Condition, Provision, or Restriction as herein-before mentioned or referred to, or any other Condition, Provision, or Restriction against any such Sale, Transfer, Grant, or Assignment as aforesaid, had been inserted, expressed, or contained in such Letters Patent, or in any or either of them.

Company may grant Licences.

IV. And be it further enacted, That after any such Sale, Transfer, or Assignment of any such Letters Patent as aforesaid shall have been made unto the said Company, or to any Person or Persons as a Trustee or Trustees for the said Company, it shall be lawful for the said Company, or the Board of Directors thereof, to grant any Licence or Licences to any Person or Persons to make, use, exercise, or vend the said Discovery and Invention or Discoveries and Inventions comprised in such Letters Patent, or in any or either of them, or any Part or Parts thereof respectively, either generally or within certain limited Districts, and under such Restrictions as to other Persons within the same District, and in all respects upon such Conditions, and upon such Terms, and in all respects in such Manner, as to the said Company or Board of Directors shall seem fit.

Company may sue and be sued in the Name of a Director or of the Secretary.

V. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act all Actions and Suits, and also all Petitions to found any Commission or Fiat of Bankruptcy in *England* or *Ireland*, or any Sequestration in *Scotland*, against any Person or Persons indebted to the said Company, and liable to be made bankrupt by the Laws now or at any Time hereafter in force relating to Bankrupts and Traders, or to Sequestrations, and all Proceedings at Law or in Equity under any Commission or Fiat of Bankruptcy or under any Sequestration to be awarded in consequence of any such Petition, and all other Proceedings at Law or in Equity to be commenced, instituted, or carried on by or on behalf of the said Company, or wherein the said Company is or shall be concerned or interested, against any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, whether such Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, is or are or shall then be a Member or Members, Proprietor or Proprietors, of or in the said Company or not, shall and lawfully may be commenced, instituted, presented, and prosecuted or carried on in the Name of any Person who shall be a Director, Secretary, or other Officer of the said Company at the Time such Action, Suit, or Proceeding shall be commenced or instituted, as the nominal Plaintiff, Petitioner, or Party for or on behalf of the said Company; and all Actions, Suits, and Proceedings at Law or in Equity to be commenced or instituted against the said Company by any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, whether such Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, is or are or shall then be a Member or Members, Proprietor or Proprietors, of or in the said Company, or not, may be commenced, instituted, and prosecuted against any Person who shall be a Director, Secretary, or other Officer for the Time being of the said Company, as the nominal Defendant, for and on behalf of the said Company; and all Prosecutions to be brought, instituted, or

carried on by or on behalf of the said Company, for Fraud upon or against the said Company, or for Embezzlement, Robbery, or stealing any Money, Notes, Bills, Effects, Securities, or Property of the said Company, or for any other Offence against the said Company, shall and lawfully may be so bought, instituted, or carried on in the Name of any Director, Secretary, or Officer for the Time being of the said Company; and in all Indictments and Informations it shall be lawful to state the Property of the said Company to be the Property of the General Filtration and Dye Extract Company, or of any Director, Secretary, or Officer for the Time being of the said Company; and any Offence committed with Intent to injure or defraud the said Company shall and lawfully may in such Prosecution be laid to have been committed with Intent to injure or defraud the General Filtration and Dye Extract Company, or any Director, Secretary, or Officer for the Time being of the said Company, and any Offender or Offenders may thereupon be lawfully convicted of any such Offence; and in all other Allegations or Indictments, Informations or other Proceedings, in which before the passing of this Act it would have been necessary to state the Names of the Persons composing the said Company, it shall and may be lawful and sufficient to state the Name of any Director, Secretary, or Officer for the Time being of the said Company; and the Death, Resignation, or Removal of any such Director, Secretary, or Officer for the Time being, or any other Act or Proceeding of any such Director, Secretary, or Officer done without the Consent of the said Company, shall not abate or render defective any such Action, Suit, Proceeding, or Prosecution.

Proceedings not to abate by Death, &c. of Director or Secretary.

VI. And be it further enacted, That every Judgment, Decree, and Order which shall at any Time be obtained, made, or pronounced in any Action, Suit, or Proceeding, at Law or in Equity, against any such Director, Secretary, or other Officer of the said Company, as a nominal Defendant, for and on behalf of the said Company, shall have the like Effect and Operation upon and against the Funds and Property of the said Company as if all the Members of the said Company were Parties before the Court to and in such Action, Suit, or Proceeding; and it shall be lawful for any Court in which such Judgment, Decree, or Order shall have been obtained, made, or pronounced to cause any such Judgment, Decree, or Order to be enforced against the Funds and Property of the said Company, and also against all or any One or more of the Members for the Time being of the said Company, in like Manner as if all the Members of the said Company were Parties before such Court to and in such Action, Suit, or Proceeding.

Judgments in Action against the Director or Secretary shall bind the Property of the Company and the Proprietors.

VII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That every Director, Secretary, and Officer in whose Name any Action, Suit, or other Proceeding, Prosecution, Indictment, or Information under this Act, may be commenced, prosecuted, preferred, or defended, and every Person, Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, paying any Money or suffering any Loss or Damage by an Execution or otherwise on account of the Debts, Engagements, Acts, Deeds, or Defaults of the said Company, shall be reimbursed and fully repaid, out of the Funds

Secretary and Director to be reimbursed on account of Suits.

Funds and Property of the said Company, all such Monies, Costs, Charges, Losses, Damages, and Expences as by reason of such Action, Suit, Proceeding, Prosecution, Indictment, Information, Payment, Execution, or otherwise he or they shall pay, incur, sustain, or be put unto.

No Action against the Company to be affected in consequence of the Plaintiff being a Member.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That no Action, Suit, or Proceeding, either at Law, in Equity, or otherwise, which shall or may be brought or commenced against the said Company, or against any Director, Secretary, or Officer of the said Company, as a nominal Defendant, for and on behalf of the said Company, under or by virtue of this Act, upon, for, or in respect of any Contract, Tort, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, shall be in anywise affected or defeated by or by reason of the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, Complainant or Complainants therein, or of any other Person or Persons in whom any Right, Interest, or Remedy may be averred, or who may be in anywise interested or concerned in such Action, Suit, or Proceeding, being a Member or Members of the said Company, but any Member or Members of the said Company shall and may have, possess, prosecute, and maintain the same Rights of Actions, Suits, Proceedings, and Remedies against the said Company, or against some Director, Secretary, or Officer thereof, as the nominal Defendant, for or on behalf of the said Company, upon any Contract, Tort, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, which he or they might have had, possessed, or maintained if he or they had been a Stranger or Strangers, and not a Member or Members of the said Company.

No Action commenced by the Company to be affected in consequence of the Defendant being a Member.

IX. And be it further enacted, That no Action, Suit, or Proceeding, either at Law or in Equity or otherwise, brought, commenced, or prosecuted by or on behalf of the said Company in the Name of the said Company, or in the Name of any Director, Secretary, or Officer of the said Company, as the nominal Plaintiff, Complainant, or Petitioner, for or on behalf of the said Company, under or by virtue of this Act, upon, for, or in respect of any Contract, Tort, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, shall be in anywise affected or defeated by or by reason of the Defendant or Defendants therein, or any other Person or Persons against whom any Debt, Damage, Right, Interest, or Remedy shall or may be averred or alleged, or ought to be pursued, prosecuted, or recovered, or any Person or Persons who shall or may or who otherwise should or might be liable to any such Suit, Action, or Proceeding, being a Member or Members of the said Company, but the same Company shall and may have, possess, pursue, prosecute, maintain, and recover all and every the same Rights, Actions, Suits, Proceedings, and Remedies from and against any Member or Members thereof, either alone or jointly with any other Person or Persons, upon, for, or in respect of any Contract, Tort, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, which the said Company might have had, possessed, commenced, prosecuted, maintained, or recovered if he or they had been a Stranger or Strangers, and not a Member or Members of the said Company.

Names of Members to be enrolled in

X. And be it further enacted, That a Memorial of the Names and Descriptions of the Secretary, and of every Director, and of the several Persons

Persons being Proprietors or Members of the said Company, in the Form for that Purpose expressed in the Schedule hereunto annexed, shall be verified by the Declaration of the Secretary or some Director of the said Company before a Master or Master Extraordinary in Chancery, and when so verified shall be enrolled in the High Court of Chancery in *England* within Twelve Calendar Months after the passing of this Act; and when any new Secretary or Director shall be elected, and when any Person or Persons shall cease to be a Member or Members of the said Company, and when any Person or Persons shall become a Member or Members of the said Company, a Memorial thereof respectively, so verified as aforesaid, shall in like Manner be enrolled as aforesaid within Three Calendar Months afterwards, in the Form or to the Effect expressed in the said Schedule for that Purpose; and when and so often as it shall be necessary to memorialize the Name or Names and Description or Descriptions of any Secretary, Director or Directors, Member or Members, either ceasing to be or becoming such, or to memorialize the Names of any Two or Three of the above Classes, the Names and Descriptions of such Persons respectively may be contained in one and the same Memorial to the Effect expressed in the said Schedule, to be verified and enrolled as herein-before is directed; and if any Declaration so made shall be false in any material Particular, the Persons wilfully making such false Declaration shall be deemed guilty of a Misdemeanor. the High Court of Chancery.

XI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That until such Memorial as first herein-before mentioned shall have been enrolled in manner herein directed, no Action shall be brought by the said Company under the Authority of this Act; and all the Members whose Names shall be expressed in any Enrolment to be made in pursuance of this Act shall be and continue liable to all Actions, Suits, Judgments, and Executions, subject to such Limitation or Restriction as herein-after mentioned, until a Memorial or Memorials of their having ceased to be Members shall have been enrolled as aforesaid. No Action to be brought until Memorial enrolled.

XII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, having or claiming to have any Demand upon or against the said Company, shall commence or institute any Action, Suit, or other Proceeding, at Law or in Equity or otherwise, in respect of such Demand, when the same Demand has been so determined or settled as that the Determination or Settlement thereof may have been pleadable in bar against such Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate; and such Determination or Settlement thereof in any Action against the said Company, or against any of the Directors for the Time being of the said Company, or against the Secretary or Officer thereof, or against any Member or Members thereof, may be pleaded in bar of any Action, Suit, or Proceeding which may in respect of the same Demand be commenced or instituted against any Member or Members of the said Company, or against the said Company, or any other Director, Secretary, or Officer of the said Company: Provided also, that the said Company having or claiming to have any Demand upon or against any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, Actions when pleadable in bar.

Corporate, or Collegiate, shall not commence or institute any Action, Suit, or other Proceeding, at Law or in Equity or otherwise, in respect of such Demand, when the same Demand shall have been so determined or settled as that the Determination thereof may have been pleadable in bar by such Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate; and such Determination or Settlement shall or may be pleaded in bar of any Action, Suit, or Proceeding which shall or may, in respect of the same Demand, be commenced or instituted by the said Company under or by virtue of this Act against such Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or their respective Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns.

Act to apply to all future Members of the Company.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act and the Provisions herein contained shall extend and be construed and taken to extend to the said Company called "The General Filtration and Dye Extract Company" at all Times during the Continuance of the same, whether the said Company shall hereafter be composed of all or some of the Persons who were the original Members thereof, or of all or some of those Persons together with some other Person or Persons, as shall be composed altogether of Persons who were not original Members of the same, or of Persons all of whom shall become Members after the passing of this Act.

Capital of the Company to be 150,000*l.*

Number of Shares.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That the Capital or Joint Stock of the said Company shall consist of the Sum of One hundred and fifty thousand Pounds, which Sum it shall be lawful for the said Company to raise amongst themselves; and such Capital or Joint Stock shall be divided into Three thousand seven hundred and fifty Shares of Forty Pounds each; and every Holder of a Share or Shares of the said Capital or Joint Stock shall be considered a Member or Proprietor of the said Company, and shall be entitled to and interested in such Capital or Joint Stock according to the Number of Shares which such Member or Proprietor shall have therein.

Power to increase the Capital.

XV. And be it further enacted, That in case the said Sum of One hundred and fifty thousand Pounds hereby authorized to be raised shall be found insufficient for the Purposes of this Act, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for the Directors for the Time being of the said Company, at any Board to be specially called for that Purpose, with the Consent of any General Meeting specially called for that Purpose, to raise at One or more Time or Times any further Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds, and which further Sum or Sums shall form Part of the said Capital or Joint Stock of the said Company, and shall be raised in Shares at such Rate or Price *per* Share and under such Regulations as the Directors shall think expedient; and all and every Persons and Person, Bodies and Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, who shall for the Time being hold any such new Share or Shares, (so long as they shall respectively hold the same, and no longer,) shall be considered Members and Proprietors of the said Company in respect of such Shares or Share respectively, and shall, from the Time only of their respectively acquiring the same, be entitled in like Manner as if such further Sum or Sums of Money hereby authorized to be raised

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as aforesaid had originally been Part of the Capital or Joint Stock of the said Company; and that each of the Shares in the said Company shall be distinguished by a Number, and the same Shares shall be numbered in regular Progression, beginning with Number One, and shall be entered or registered in the Books of the Company.

Shares to be deemed Personal Estate.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That the Shares in the said Company and Undertaking, and in the net Profits and Advantages thereof, shall be deemed Personal Estate, and not of the Nature of Real Property, and as such Personal Estate shall be transmissible accordingly.

Joint Stock and Property of Company to be liable to its Debts and Contracts.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That all and singular the Joint Stock, Chattels, Monies, Property, and Effects of the said Company shall be answerable for and subject to the Debts, Engagements, and Liabilities of the said Company, and shall be answerable for the due Performance of every Contract entered into by the said Company, and for all Damages which shall be recovered by reason of any Breach or Nonperformance thereof.

Not to extend to incorporate the Company.

XVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be deemed, construed, or taken to extend, to incorporate the said Company, or to relieve or discharge the said Company, or any of the Members thereof respectively, from any Responsibility, Contracts, Duties, or Obligations whatsoever to which by Law they now are or at any Time hereafter may be subject or liable, either as between such Company and other Parties, or as between the said Company and any of the individual Members of such Company and others, or among themselves, or in any other Manner howsoever.

Any Director of the Company may grant Releases to Witnesses.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That in all Actions, Suits, or other Proceedings, at Law or in Equity, and also in all Prosecutions, commenced or instituted by or on behalf of the said Company, and in all Arbitrations, References, or other Proceedings in or consequent upon or arising out of any such Actions, Suits, or Proceedings, or otherwise, it shall be lawful for any Director for the Time being of the said Company, not being personally interested otherwise than as a Proprietor of Shares, to sign, execute, and deliver, for and on behalf of the said Company, any such general or other Release as may be deemed to be necessary for the Purpose of exonerating and releasing any Person who may be produced as a Witness in any such Action, Suit, Arbitration, Reference, or other Proceeding as aforesaid from any Claim or Demand which may be necessary to be released by the said Company in order to qualify such Person to give Evidence as a Witness in any such Action, Suit, Prosecution, Arbitration, Reference, or other Proceeding, and also to do any other Act in any such Action, Suit, Prosecution, Arbitration, Reference, or other Proceeding which any Plaintiff, Defendant, or other Party may do in any Action, Suit, Prosecution, Arbitration, Reference, or other Proceeding; and every such Release and Act respectively shall be valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever; and that all Minutes, Orders, and Proceedings of any General or Special Meeting of the Members of the said Company, or of any Board of Directors, signed by the Person

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in the Chair, shall be deemed and taken to be original Minutes, Orders, and Proceedings, and shall be allowed to be read in Evidence in all Courts, and before all Judges, Justices, and others.

Service of Notice on the Company.

XX. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases wherein it may be necessary for any Person to serve any Summons, Demand, or Notice, or any Writ or other Proceeding, at Law or in Equity, or otherwise, upon the said Company, Service thereof respectively on the Secretary or any Director for the Time being of the said Company, or by leaving the same at the principal Office of the said Company in *London*, shall be deemed good and sufficient Service of the same respectively on the said Company.

Service of Notice by the Company.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases wherein it may be necessary for the said Company to give any Summons, Demand, or Notice of any Kind whatsoever to any Person or Corporation, such Summons, Demand, or Notice may be given in Writing, signed by the Secretary, Attorney, Solicitor, or any Director for the Time being of the Company.

Mode of Proof, &c. by the Company in Cases of Bankruptcy and Insolvency.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Fiat or Commission of Bankruptcy shall be awarded against any Person who shall be indebted to the said Company, or against whom the said Company shall have any Claim or Demand, or in case any Person who shall be indebted to the said Company, or against whom the said Company shall have any Claim or Demand, shall petition to take the Benefit of any Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, it shall be lawful for the Secretary or any of the Directors for the Time being of the Company to appear and act on behalf of the said Company, in respect of any such Debt, Claim, or Demand, before the Commissioner under any such Fiat or Commission of Bankruptcy, or before the Court of Insolvent Debtors, or any Commissioners thereof, either personally or by his Affidavit, to be sworn and exhibited in the usual Manner, in order to prove and establish any such Debt, Claim, or Demand under such Fiat, Commission, or Insolvency; and such Secretary or any such Director shall in all such Cases be admitted and allowed to make Proof or tender a Claim under any such Fiat, Commission, or Insolvency, on behalf of the said Company, in respect of any such Debt, Claim, or Demand, and shall have such and the same Powers and Privileges as to voting in the Choice of Assignees (and as to signing Certificate in case of Bankruptcy), and otherwise, in respect of any Debts admitted to be proved on behalf of the said Company, as any other Person being a Creditor of such Bankrupt or Insolvent in his own Right would have in respect of the Debt proved by him under such Fiat, Commission, or Insolvency.

Directors may sign Releases.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Director of the said Company to execute any Condition, Deed, Letter of Licence, Composition, or Release, in his own Name, on behalf of the said Company.

Directors may execute Powers of Attorney.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Three of the Directors for the Time being of the said Company, from

Time to Time, by any Deed or Deeds under their Hands and Seals, to nominate or appoint any Attorney or Attornies, and with or without any Power of Substitution, for the Purpose of making, doing, executing, or performing any Act, Deed, Matter, or Thing which may be necessary or expedient to be made, done, executed, or performed under or by virtue or in pursuance of this Act, or any Order or Resolution of any General Meeting of the Members of the said Company.

Expences of Act how to be paid.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That all the Costs, Charges, and Expences attending the applying for, obtaining, and passing this Act, and preparatory or relating to the same, or to the Formation of the said Company, shall be paid and discharged out of the first Monies subscribed or to be subscribed for the Purposes of this Act.

Public Act.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others.

SCHEDULE to which this Act refers.

MEMORIAL made the Day of One thousand eight hundred and of the Names and Descriptions of the present Directors, Secretary, and Proprietors of the General Filtration and Dye Extract Company, to be enrolled pursuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*]:

A.B. of *C.D.* of *&c. &c.*	} Directors.
E.F. of	Secretary.
G.H. of *I.K.* of *&c. &c.*	} Proprietors.

I of one of the Directors [*or* Secretary] of the said Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare, That the above-written Memorial contains the Names and Descriptions of the present Directors, Secretary, and all the present Proprietors of the said Company as the same appear in the Books of the said Company; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

In the Case of Appointment of new Directors or Secretary.

MEMORIAL made the Day of One thousand eight hundred and of the Names and Descriptions [*or* the Name and Description] of Persons [*or* a Person] who have [*or* hath] become Directors [*or* Director *or* Secretary] of the General Filtration and Dye Extract Company, to be enrolled pursuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the Year of the Reign of Queen *Victoria*, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*].

L.M. of
N.O. of
&c. &c. } Directors.

or,

L.M. of Director.

or,

P.Q. of Secretary.

I of one of the Directors [*or* Secretary] of the said Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare, That the above-written Memorial contains the Names and Descriptions [*or* Name and Description] of the Persons [*or* a Person] who have [*or* hath] become Directors [*or* a Director *or* Secretary] of the said Company in the Place of [*here state the Names or Name of the Persons or Person in the Place of whom the new Directors or Director or Secretary shall have succeeded to Office*]; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

In case of Persons or Corporations ceasing to be Proprietors.

MEMORIAL made the Day of of the Name and Description [*or* Names and Descriptions] of the Person [*or* Persons, *or* Body *or* Bodies Politic, Corporate, *or* Collegiate, *as the Case may be*,] who hath [*or* have] ceased to be a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] in the General Filtration and Dye Extract Company since the Day of One thousand eight hundred and (being the Date of the Memorial first enrolled of the Names of Proprietors, *or*, *after the Enrolment of a Memorial of the Names of Parties ceasing to be Proprietors*, being the Date of the Memorial last enrolled of the Names of Parties ceasing to be Proprietors of the said Company), enrolled pursuant to Act of Parliament passed in the Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*].

R.S. of
T.U. of
&c. &c.

I of one of the Directors [*or* Secretary] of the said Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare, That the above-written Memorial contains the Name and Description [*or* Names and Descriptions] of the Person [*or* Persons, *or* Body *or* Bodies Politic, Corporate, *or* Collegiate, *as the Case may be*,] as the same

same appear in the Books of the said Company, who have [*or* hath] ceased to be a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] of the said Company since the Day of One thousand eight hundred and ; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

In case of Persons or Corporations becoming Proprietors.

MEMORIAL made the Day of One thousand eight hundred and of the Name and Description [*or* Names and Descriptions] of the Person [*or* Persons, Body *or* Bodies Politic, Corporate, *or* Collegiate, *as the Case may be*,] who hath [*or* have] become a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] of the since the Day of One thousand eight hundred and (being the Date of the Memorial last enrolled of the Names of Parties being or becoming Proprietors of the said Company), enrolled pursuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*].

V.W. of
X.Y. of
&c. &c.

I of one of the Directors [*or* Secretary] of the said Company, do solemnly declare, That the above-written Memorial contains the Name and Description [*or* Names and Descriptions] of the Person [*or* Persons], as the same appear in the Books of the said Company, who hath [*or* have] become Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] of the said Company since the Day of One thousand eight hundred and ; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

In case of memorializing several Changes at the same Time.

MEMORIAL made the Day of One thousand eight hundred and of the Name and Description of the Persons [*or* Person] who have [*or* hath] become Directors [*or* a Director] of the General Filtration and Dye Extract Company, and the Name and Description of the Person who hath become Secretary of the said Company, and of the Name and Description [*or* Names and Descriptions] of the Person [*or* Persons], *or* Body *or* Bodies Politic *or* Corporate *or* Collegiate [*as the Case may be*], who hath [*or* have] ceased to be a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] of the said Company, and of the Name and Description [*or* Names and Descriptions] of the Person [*or* Persons, Body *or* Bodies Politic, Corporate, *or* Collegiate, *as the Case may be*,] who hath [*or* have] become a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] of the said Company, enrolled pursuant to an Act passed in the Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*].

Names and Descriptions [*or* Name and Description] of the new Directors [*or* Director].

A.A. of
B.B. of
&c. &c.

Name

Name and Description of the new Secretary.

C.C. of

Name and Description [*or* Names and Descriptions] of the Person [*or* Persons, Body *or* Bodies Politic, Corporate, *or* Collegiate, *as the Case may be*,] who hath [*or* have] ceased to be a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] since the Day of One thousand eight hundred and , being the Date of the Memorial last past enrolled of the Names of Proprietors, *or*, *after the Enrolment of the Names of the Parties ceasing to be Proprietors*, being the Date of the Memorial last enrolled of the Names of Parties ceasing to be Proprietors of the said Company.

D.D. of
E.E. of
F.F. of
&c. &c.

Name and Description [*or* Names and Descriptions] of the Person [*or* Persons], Body *or* Bodies Politic, Corporate, *or* Collegiate [*as the Case may be*], who hath [*or* have] become a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] since the Day of One thousand eight hundred and , being the Date of the Memorial last enrolled of the Names of Parties being or becoming Proprietors of the said Company.

G.G. of
H.H. of
I.I. of
&c. &c.

I of one of the Directors [*or* Secretary] of the said Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare, That the above-written Memorial contains the Names and Descriptions of the Persons [*or* Person] who have [*or* hath] become Directors [*or* a Director] in the Place of [*here state the Names or Name of the Persons or Person in the Place of whom the new Directors or Director shall have succeeded to Office*], and of the Person who hath become Secretary in the Place of [*here state the Name of the Person in the Place of whom the new Secretary shall have succeeded to Office*], and of the Person [*or* Persons, Body *or* Bodies Politic, Corporate, *or* Collegiate, *as the Case may be*,] who hath [*or* have] ceased to be a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] of the said Company, and of the Person [*or* Persons, Body *or* Bodies Politic, Corporate, *or* Collegiate, *as the Case may be*,] who hath [*or* have] become a Proprietor [*or* Proprietors] of the said Company, as the same respectively appear in the Books of the said Company; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

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