CHAPTER ci.

An Act to extend for a further period the time for the compulsory purchase of lands and for the completion of the Railway authorized by "The Girvan and Portpatrick Junction Railway Act, 1865;" and for other purposes. A.D. 1873.

[7th July 1873.]

WHEREAS by "The Girvan and Portpatrick Junction Railway Act, 1865," (herein-after called "the Act of 1865,") the Girvan and Portpatrick Junction Railway Company (herein-after called "the Company") were incorporated, with powers to make and maintain the railway therein described:

And whereas by "The Girvan and Portpatrick Junction Railway Act, 1870," (herein-after called "the Act of 1870,") the powers for the compulsory purchase of lands conferred by the Act of 1865 were revived and extended for a period of two years, and the time for the completion of the railway thereby authorised was extended for a period of three years from the twentieth of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy:

And whereas by "The Girvan and Portpatrick Junction Railway Act, 1872," further powers were conferred on the Company:

And whereas the Company have acquired the greater portion of the lands necessary for the purposes of the railway, and works and conveniences in connection therewith, and the railway is now in the course of being constructed:

And whereas it is expedient that the powers for the compulsory purchase of lands, which have expired, should be revived with respect to the lands herein-after specified, and that the respective periods limited therefor, and for the completion of the railway and works, by the Act of 1865 and the Act of 1870 respectively, should be further extended:

And whereas the objects and purposes of this Act cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

A.D. 1873.

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 all purposes as "The Girvan and Portpatrick Junction Railway Act, 1873."

General Act herein named incorporated.

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.

Extension of time and revival of powers for compulsory purchase of lands.

3. The powers conferred upon the Company by the Act of 1865, and revived and extended by the Act of 1870, for the compulsory purchase of lands, are hereby revived and extended, and may be exercised by the Company for and during a period of one year from the passing of this Act, with respect to the lands numbered respectively 71, 72, 73, 74, 74, 74A, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, and 87, in the parish of Colmonell, in the county of Ayr, and 36, 37, 37A, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 42, 42, 42, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 46, 46, 46, 47, 48, 48, 48, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, and 55, in the parish of Old Luce, in the county of Wigtown, on the plans referred to in the Act of 1865, and after the expiration of the said period of one year the said powers shall cease to be exercised.

Extending time for completion of railway and works.

4. The period limited by the Act of 1865, and extended by the Act of 1870, for the completion of the railway and works authorised by the Act of 1865, shall be and the same is hereby extended for a period of two years from the twentieth of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and sections four and eight of the Act of 1870 shall be read and construed as if the date prescribed or referred to therein were the twentieth of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five instead of the twentieth of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Time limited for completion of railway.

5. If the railway authorised by the Act of 1865 shall not be completed within the period limited by this Act, then, on the expiration of such period, the powers by the Act of 1865, the Act of 1870, and this Act, granted to the Company for making and completing the said railway, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall cease to be exercised, except as to so much thereof as shall then be completed.

Company not exempt from provisions of

6. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to exempt the Company from the provisions of any general Act relating to railways, or to the better or 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 of the rates for small parcels, by the Acts relating to the Company authorised. present and future general Acts.

7. 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. Expenses of Act.

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