CHAPTER cvii.

An Act to extend the boundaries of the borough of Guildford to confer further powers upon the Corporation of Guildford with respect to their water undertaking to make further provision for the good government of the borough and for other purposes. [25th June 1886.]

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WHEREAS the borough of Guildford in the county of Surrey is a municipal borough under the government of the mayor aldermen and burgesses thereof (in this Act referred to as "the Corporation") and the Corporation acting by the council of the borough are the urban sanitary authority for the district of the borough:

And whereas it is expedient that the boundaries of the existing borough be extended in manner by this Act authorised:

And whereas the Corporation are the owners of waterworks and supply the existing borough and purpose to supply the borough as extended by this Act with water and it is expedient that they be empowered to supply certain districts beyond but in the immediate vicinity of such extended borough with water and for the purposes aforesaid that their powers in relation to their water undertaking be enlarged as in this Act provided:

And whereas it is expedient that further powers be conferred on the Corporation relative to local government as in this Act provided:

And whereas an absolute majority of the whole number of the council at a meeting held on the twenty-fifth day of August one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five after ten clear days notice by public advertisement of such meeting and of the purpose thereof in the West Surrey Times and County Express a local newspaper published and circulating in the borough (such notice being in addition to the ordinary notices required for summoning such meeting) resolved that the expense in relation to promoting the Bill

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for this Act should be charged on and paid out of the funds and rates at the disposal of the council:

And whereas such resolution was published twice in the Surrey Advertiser and County Times a newspaper published and circulating in the borough and has received the approval of the Local Government Board:

And whereas the propriety of the promotion of the Bill for this Act was confirmed by an absolute majority of the whole number of the council at a further special meeting held in pursuance of a similar notice on the sixth day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six being not less than fourteen days after the deposit of the Bill in Parliament:

And whereas the owners and ratepayers of the existing borough by resolution in the manner provided in the Third Schedule of the Public Health Act 1875 consented to the promotion of the Bill for this Act:

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:

PART I.

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Guildford Corporation Act 1886.

Division of Act into parts.

2. This Act is divided into parts as follows:—

Part I.—Preliminary and miscellaneous.
Part II.—Extension of existing borough.
Part III.—Water.
Part IV.—Local government.
Part V.—Financial.

Interpretation of terms.

3. In this Act:

"The existing borough" means the borough of Guildford as existing immediately before the passing of this Act:

"The added part of the borough" means the district added to the existing borough by this Act:

"The borough" used without qualification or "the extended borough" means the borough as extended by this Act:

"The Corporation" means the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough:

"The council" means the council of the borough:

"Water undertaking" includes the water undertaking for the time being owned and carried on by the Corporation within the borough and the water undertaking for the time being owned and carried on by the Corporation under this Act beyond the limits of the borough:

"The borough fund" and "the borough rate" respectively mean the borough fund and the borough rate of the borough:

"District fund" and "general district rate" respectively mean the district fund and general district rate of the district of the Corporation acting by the council as a sanitary authority:

"The town clerk" and "the medical officer of health" respectively mean the town clerk and the medical officer of health of the borough and "office" in relation to any such officer means the office of such officer at the municipal buildings or at such other place in the borough as the Corporation may from time to time appoint:

"The Municipal Corporation Acts" means the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and all the Acts for the time being in force amending extending or affecting the same:

"The Public Health Acts" means the Public Health Act 1875 and all Acts for the time being amending extending or affecting the same:

"Infectious disease" means and includes small-pox cholera typhus typhoid scarlet relapsing continued and puerperal fever scarlatina and diphtheria and such other disease as the Corporation under the provisions and for the purposes of this Act may from time to time declare to be infectious:

"Person" includes Corporation:

"Daily penalty" means (except where otherwise expressed or implied) a penalty to accrue for each day on which the offence is continued after conviction thereof.

Terms to which meanings are assigned in enactments wholly or partially incorporated with this Act or which have therein special meanings have in this Act the same respective meanings unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction and in this Act and for the purposes of this Act in enactments incorporated with this Act the term "superior courts" or "court of competent jurisdiction" or any other like term shall have effect as if the debt or demand with respect to which it is used were a simple contract debt and not a debt or demand created by statute.

Act to be executed by council.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Act this Act shall be carried into execution by the Corporation acting by the council and according to the Municipal Corporations Acts the Public Health Acts and

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other laws for the time being affecting the Corporation as a municipal body and a sanitary authority respectively and with all the rights powers privileges exemptions authorities obligations and duties conferred or imposed by those Acts and laws respectively on the Corporation or on the council and committees of the council and the officers agents and servants of the Corporation with respect to matters provided for by or comprised in the Municipal Corporations Acts the Public Health Acts and other laws respectively and as nearly as may be in all respects as if the rights powers privileges exemptions authorities obligations duties and property vested in imposed on or enjoyed by the Corporation by or under this Act were vested in imposed on or enjoyed by them by or under the Municipal Corporations Acts the Public Health Acts and other laws respectively.

Limits of Act.

5. This Act except where otherwise expressed or implied shall apply exclusively to the borough.

Commencement of Act.

6. This Act shall come into operation on the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven unless otherwise expressly provided.

Proceedings for summary convictions &c.

7. Proceedings with a view to the summary conviction of offenders under this Act or to the recovery of penalties (except when otherwise expressed) under this Act may be taken according to the provisions of the Summary Jurisdiction Acts and the Summary Jurisdiction Act 1884.

Penalties not to be cumulative.

8. Penalties imposed for one and the same offence by several Acts of Parliament shall not be cumulative and for this purpose this Act and the incorporated Acts shall be deemed separate Acts.

Application of penalties.

9. Penalties recovered by the Corporation under this Act or under any Act incorporated therewith or under any Act executed by the Corporation or under any byelaw thereunder shall be paid to the treasurer of the borough and be by him carried to the credit of the borough fund or the district fund or to any other fund as the Corporation may direct.

Appeals.

10. Any person deeming himself aggrieved by any requirement order or decision or the withholding of any consent or approval of the Corporation or of any officer or servant of the Corporation or by any conviction or order made by a court of summary jurisdiction under this Act may appeal (but in cases where application for relief can be made to the Corporation then only after such application) to the next practicable court of quarter sessions under and according to the provisions of section two hundred and sixty-nine of the Public Health Act 1875 as amended by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts and the Summary Jurisdiction Act 1884.

PART II.

Extension of Existing Borough.

Extension of existing borough.

11. The borough shall comprise the district described in the First Schedule to this Act annexed.

Deposit of borough plan.

12. A plan of the borough as extended by this Act signed in duplicate by the Right Honourable George Sclater Booth the Chairman of the Committee of the House of Commons to whom the Bill for this Act was referred shall within two weeks after the passing of this Act be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons and with the town clerk at his office (in this Act called the borough plan) and copies thereof respectively certified by the town clerk shall be sent by him as soon as may be after the deposit of the same as aforesaid to the Director General of Her Majesty's Ordnance Survey at Southampton and to the Local Government Board. If any discrepancy shall be found to exist between the description contained in the First Schedule to this Act annexed and the borough plan the borough plan shall prevail.

Copies of deposited borough plan to be evidence.

13. Copies of the borough plan deposited with the town clerk or any extract therefrom certified by him to be true shall be received in Her Majesty's High Court of Justice and all other courts and proceedings as primâ facie evidence of the contents of such plan and such plan shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of the persons liable to any rate leviable within the borough and all persons so liable shall be entitled to a copy of or extracts from such plan certified by the town clerk on payment of a reasonable fee for every such copy or extract. All sums received under this section shall be carried to the credit of the borough fund.

Lands &c. added to be deemed part of borough for all purposes.

14. Subject to the provisions of this Act all lands houses buildings roads and works precincts and places by this Act added to the existing borough and included within the limits of the borough shall henceforth be and be deemed part of the borough to all intents and purposes whatsoever and shall be severed from and cease to be included within the limits of the district of the Guildford Union Rural Sanitary Authority (in this Act called "the rural authority") or of the Guildford District Highway Board (in this Act called "the highway board").

As to transfer of property &c. in added part of borough.

15. Subject to the provisions of this Act all lands roads sewers mains pipes meters lamps lamp-posts works erections and buildings and all other property of every description which immediately before the commencement of this Act were vested in the rural authority or highway board or in any surveyor of highways in respect of the added part of the borough or any part thereof or in

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any person in their or his behalf or of or to which the rural authority highway board surveyor of highways or person as aforesaid were seised possessed or entitled either at law or in equity or otherwise howsoever in respect of the added part of the borough or any part thereof shall be and the same are hereby vested in the Corporation to the same extent and for the same estate and interest as the same respectively were immediately before the commencement of this Act vested in such rural authority highway board surveyor of highways or person as aforesaid and may be held recovered used and enjoyed by the Corporation accordingly.

As to property of Corporation.

16. Subject to the provisions of this Act all the estate and interest of the Corporation in all property real and personal including all interests rights and easements in to and out of property real and personal and including things in action of every description at the commencement of this Act belonging to or vested in the Corporation for the benefit of the existing borough shall belong to and vest in the Corporation for the benefit of the extended borough and the Corporation may and shall hold and enjoy the same and exercise all the powers and privileges relating or attaching thereto for the benefit of the extended borough but subject to all debts liabilities interests obligations and engagements affecting the same or any part thereof or the Corporation in respect thereof.

Officers of Corporation to continue.

17.—(1.) The town clerk and all other officers and servants of the Corporation shall continue to be the town clerk officers and servants of the Corporation in the extended borough.

(2.) The Corporation may for the purposes of this Act appoint such and so many officers and servants as they may from time to time think proper with such designations duties and salaries as they may prescribe and fix.

Authority of Corporation extended.

18. Subject to the provisions of this Act all the jurisdictions rights powers privileges authorities obligations and duties of the Corporation under all charters and Acts relating to the Corporation or to the existing borough and also all the jurisdictions rights powers privileges authorities obligations and duties of the Corporation as a municipal body and of the Corporation acting by the council as the sanitary authority for the district of the existing borough or otherwise and of all officers and servants of the Corporation shall extend to and throughout the extended borough and all the jurisdictions rights powers privileges authorities obligations and duties of the rural authority or highway board within the added part of the borough shall cease. But nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent the rural authority or highway board from suing for and recovering any rates or sums of money due to them at or immediately

before the commencement of this Act and either such authority may accordingly sue for and recover all such rates and sums in the same manner as if this Act had not been passed.

As to byelaws.

19. All byelaws rules and regulations duly made by the Corporation and at the commencement of this Act in force within or applicable to the existing borough shall (subject to any future repeal or amendment of the same) extend and apply to the extended borough and all byelaws rules and regulations made by any authority and immediately before the commencement of this Act in force within or applicable to the added part of the borough or any part thereof shall on the commencement of this Act cease to be in force or to have any effect within the added part of the borough: Provided that any person may be tried and punished for any offence committed before the commencement of this Act against any byelaw rule or regulation duly made by any authority and at the time when such offence was committed in force within the added part of the borough or any part thereof as if this Act had not been passed.

As to jurisdiction of the justices and police constables.

20. The jurisdiction rights powers privileges authorities and duties of the recorder of the existing borough and of the justices of the peace appointed for the existing borough whether acting in petty sessions or out of sessions or otherwise and of the police constables and other peace officers of the existing borough shall extend to and throughout the extended borough in the same manner and to the same extent as they now do throughout the existing borough.

Saving for deeds securities &c.

21. Subject to the provisions of this Act all deeds contracts documents securities orders notices and proceedings made or entered into with or in favour of or by or on behalf of the rural authority or the highway board and in force at the commencement of this Act and concerning the added part of the borough or any part thereof shall be and remain as valid and effectual in favour of against and with reference to the Corporation and may be proceeded on and enforced in like manner to all intents and purposes as if the Corporation instead of the rural authority or the highway board had been parties or privy thereto.

Actions &c. not to abate

22. Any action cause of action prosecution or other proceeding whatsoever pending or existing at the commencement of this Act either in favour of or against the rural authority or the highway board and concerning the added part of the borough or any part thereof shall not abate or be discontinued or prejudicially affected by this Act but on the contrary may be maintained commenced prosecuted or continued by in favour of or against the Corporation in like manner to all intents and purposes as if the Corporation

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instead of such authority were parties to such action prosecution or proceeding.

Books to be evidence.

23. All books and other documents kept by the rural authority or the highway board and which at the commencement of this Act would be receivable in evidence shall be admitted as evidence in Her Majesty's High Court of Justice and all other courts and proceedings notwithstanding the cesser of the jurisdictions rights and powers of such authority or board in or over the part of their district by this Act added to the existing borough.

Power of authorities to enter into agreements with Corporation.

24.—(1.) Notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions of this Act it shall be lawful for the Corporation on the one hand and for the rural authority or the highway board on the other hand but so far only as relates to the part of the district of such authority by this Act added to the existing borough at any time after the passing of this Act to make and carry into effect agreements with respect to the transfer of any property liabilities or powers from such authority to the Corporation and for settling and adjusting any doubt or difference arising in relation thereto and generally with respect to the execution of the provisions of this Act relating to any such agreement.

(2.) Any such agreement may provide for the reference of any matter to the Local Government Board whose decision shall be binding and conclusive on all parties.

(3.) The expenses of the Local Government Board incurred by the board in relation to the decision of any matter referred to the board under this section including a reasonable sum not exceeding three guineas a day for the services of their inspector shall be paid by the Corporation and shall be recoverable in the same manner as any other expenses incurred by the board may be recovered by the board.

Added area exempt from highway and other rates.

25. On or after the commencement of this Act all lands houses tenements and hereditaments within the added part of the borough or any part thereof and all persons in respect of the same shall be exempt from all rates and other contributions to be made or levied by or for the purposes of the rural authority or the highway board in respect of any district of which such added part of the borough immediately before the commencement of this Act formed part: Provided always that such exemption shall not exempt any person from the payment of any rate assessed and payable before the commencement of this Act but all such rates assessed and payable before that date shall be paid and recovered as if this Act had not been passed.

Provisions as to adoption of certain roads in added part of borough.

26.—(1.) If at any time after the passing of this Act the owner of any land in the added part of the borough shall lay out such land for building purposes and construct thereon any road or roads not being of a less width than thirty-five feet and in other respects in conformity with the byelaws for the time being in force within the borough it shall be lawful for the owner of such road or roads from time to time as soon as the same shall have been completely finished to the satisfaction of the surveyor for the time being of the Corporation by notice in writing to require the Corporation as the urban sanitary authority for the district of the borough to adopt such road or roads as a highway or highways maintainable and repairable by the inhabitants at large.

(2.) The Corporation on receiving such notice from such owner shall by notice in writing put up in any part of such road or roads declare the same to be a highway or highways and thereupon the same shall become a highway or highways repairable by the inhabitants at large and every such notice by the Corporation shall be entered among the proceedings of the Corporation as the urban sanitary authority for the district of the borough.

(3.) Provided always that it shall be lawful for the Corporation to stipulate with regard to any such road or roads as aforesaid that so much of the footpaths on either side thereof as shall abut on any plot or plots of land intended for building purposes shall not be constructed until after buildings have been erected thereon and that the owner or owners for the time being of such plot or plots of land shall be liable to construct and complete the footpaths abutting on such plot or plots of land as soon as the buildings thereon shall have been erected.

Burgess list.

27. For the purpose of the burgess list burgess roll and other lists to be made after the commencement of this Act under the provisions of the Municipal Corporation Acts the added part of the borough shall be deemed to have always formed part of the borough.

PART III.

Water.

Acts incorporated with this part of this Act.

28. The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 (except so much thereof as relates to the purchase and taking of land otherwise than by agreement and with respect to the entry upon lands by the promoters of the undertaking) and the Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts Amendment Act 1860 (herein-after referred to as the Lands Clauses Acts) and the provisions of the Waterworks Clauses Act 1847 (except the provisions thereof with respect to the amount of

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profits to be received by the undertakers when the waterworks are carried on for their benefit and except the words "with the consent in writing of the owner or reputed owner of any such house or of the agent of such owner" in the 44th section of that Act) and the Waterworks Clauses Act 1863 are hereby (save so far as they are expressly excepted or varied by or are inconsistent with this part of this Act) incorporated with and form part of this part of this Act and in construing those incorporated Acts and provisions for the purposes of this part of this Act the expressions "the undertakers" and "the promoters of the undertaking" and other like expressions shall mean the Corporation.

Power to purchase additional lands or easements by agreement.

29.—(1.) In addition to lands now vested in the Corporation or which they may acquire under the powers of the Municipal Corporation Acts or the Public Health Acts or any of them the Corporation may from time to time by agreement acquire in fee either by purchase or by way of exchange or otherwise such further quantities of land not exceeding in the whole at one time five acres and whether situate within or beyond the borough or otherwise as they may deem expedient for the purposes of the water undertaking but no buildings shall be erected on such land except buildings to be used in connexion with the water undertaking.

(2.) Instead of purchasing lands under the powers of this section the Corporation may if they think fit but by agreement only purchase such rights powers licenses or easements only as they may require for the purposes of the water undertaking and any right power license or easement so to be acquired shall be deemed to be lands within the meaning of the Lands Clauses Acts.

Labouring class dwellings.

30. The Corporation shall not under the powers of this Act without the consent of the Local Government Board purchase or acquire in any 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 partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" includes mechanics artizans 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 such persons who may be residing with them.

Persons empowered by Lands Clauses Acts to sell lands may grant easements.

31. Persons empowered by the Lands Clauses Acts to sell and convey or release lands may if they think fit subject to the provisions of those Acts and of this Act grant to the Corporation any easement right or privilege (not being an easement of water) required for the purposes of the water undertaking in over or affecting any such lands and the provisions of the said Acts with respect to lands and rentcharges so far as the same are applicable in this behalf shall extend and apply to such grants and to such easements rights and privileges as aforesaid respectively.

Power to reserve water rights on sale.

32. On any sale by the Corporation of any lands acquired under the powers of this Act for the purposes of the water undertaking the Corporation may reserve to themselves all or any part of the water or water rights or other easements belonging thereto and may make the sale subject to such reservation accordingly and also subject to such other reservation special conditions restrictions and provisions as they think fit with respect to the use or flow of water exercise of noxious trades or discharge passage or deposit of manure sewage or other matter as they think fit.

Extension of water limits.

33. The Corporation in addition to supplying water within the extended borough may subject to the provisions of this Act supply water within the limits described in the Second Schedule to this Act annexed.

Genceral powers for supplying within water limits but outside borough.

34. The Corporation may for the purpose of providing a supply of water proper and sufficient for public and private purposes within their limits for the supply of water outside the extended borough—

(1.) Construct and maintain waterworks dig wells and do any other necessary acts; and

(2.) Take on lease or hire any waterworks and purchase any waterworks or any water or right to take or convey water and any rights powers and privileges of any water company; and

(3.) Contract with any person for a supply of water:

Provided that the Corporation shall not exercise any of the powers conferred by this section without the sanction of the Local Government Board.

Power to borrow for water undertaking outside borough.

35. The Corporation may with the sanction of the Local Government Board for the purpose of defraying any costs charges and expenses incurred or to be incurred by them in respect of their water undertaking without the borough borrow or re-borrow or take up at interest any sums of money necessary for defraying any such costs charges and expenses. All moneys borrowed or re-borrowed as aforesaid shall be deemed to be moneys borrowed under the

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powers of section 233 of the Public Health Act 1875 for the purpose of defraying costs charges and expenses incurred by the Corporation in the execution of that Act and all the provisions of that Act shall apply as if such moneys were borrowed thereunder.

Provision for sale of portion of undertaking to sanitary authorities.

36. If at any time after the passing of this Act any sanitary authority whose district or any part thereof is at the passing of this Act beyond the limits of the extended borough but within the limits of the Corporation for the supply of water as extended by this Act shall give not less than six months notice in writing to the Corporation of their desire to purchase such portion of the water undertaking of the Corporation beyond the extended borough as is contained within the district of such authority and shall obtain the consent of the Local Government Board to such purchase and shall apply to Parliament or the Local Government Board for power to purchase such portion of the undertaking of the Corporation (except the lands wells streams adits waters waterworks mains and pipes or other apparatus which shall be necessary for supplying with water any other part of the limits of supply of the Corporation) and to supply water within such district then it shall not be lawful for the Corporation to oppose such application (except as to the details thereof) and if such powers of purchase be granted the Corporation shall sell and such sanitary authority shall purchase such portion of the undertaking of the Corporation (except as aforesaid) within the district of such sanitary authority at such price and upon such terms and conditions as shall be fixed in default of agreement by arbitration under the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts: Provided that after the completion of such purchase all obligations on the part of the Corporation to supply water within such district shall cease and determine.

The proceeds of any sale under this section shall be applied by the Corporation towards the extinguishment of any loan raised by the Corporation for the purposes of the water undertaking or otherwise as the Local Government Board may direct.

Constant pressure.

37. Water supplied by the Corporation need not be continuously supplied nor at a level above that at which water can be supplied by gravitation from the reservoir or other works of the Corporation from which such water is supplied.

Provisions for the protection of the Earl of Onslow and William More Molyneux, Esq.

38. Whereas the Right Honourable William Hillier Earl of Onslow and William More Molyneux of Losely Park in the county of Surrey Esquire are the owners or reputed owners of lands and property in such parts of the parishes and places of St. Nicholas Guildford and Artington as are by this Act included within the limits for the supply of water by the Corporation:

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And whereas a considerable portion of the said lands and property of the said Earl of Onslow and William More Molyneux are situate at a level above that at which water can be supplied by gravitation from the existing reservoirs and works of the Corporation:

And whereas it is of great importance to the said Earl of Onslow and William More Molyneux and their respective sequels in estate (each and all of whom are herein-after in this section intended by and included in the expression "the owner") that a supply of water should from time to time be provided to the lands and property of the owner either by the Corporation or by other bodies companies or persons: Therefore for the protection of the owner the following provisions shall have effect:

(*a.*) At any time and from time to time after the passing of this Act the owner may by notice in writing addressed to the Corporation and delivered at the office of the town clerk request the Corporation within six months from the date of delivery of such notice to cause pipes to be laid down and water to be brought to such part of the lands and property of the owner within the water limits of the Corporation as shall be specified in such notice and to afford a supply of pure and wholesome water sufficient for the domestic use of all the occupiers of the said lands and properties at rates not exceeding the rates by this Act authorised: Provided that no such notice shall be given unless the annual aggregate amount of the water rate payable by such occupiers shall amount to one-twentieth part of the expense of providing and laying down such pipes nor unless such occupiers shall severally execute an agreement binding themselves to take such water for three successive years at least.

(*b.*) If the Corporation shall for a period of six months from the date of the service of such notice fail to afford such supply nothing in this Act contained shall prevent or be deemed or construed to prevent the owner obtaining a supply for their said lands and property from any company body or person able and willing to afford the same.

(*c.*) If at any time after such failure or neglect on the part of the Corporation application shall be made to Parliament by or on behalf of the owner or by or on behalf of any company body or persons for powers to supply water within the whole or any portion of such parts of the said parishes or places of St. Nicholas Guildford and Artington as are by this Act included within the limits for the supply of water by the Corporation not being within the borough of Guildford and to determine

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the power of the Corporation to supply water therein except as to any houses or premises which at the time of such application shall then be supplied by the Corporation it shall not be lawful for the Corporation to oppose such application unless by such application any powers are sought to be obtained to break up any streets or roads within the borough of Guildford and then only so far as regards such last-mentioned powers.

Corporation officer to enter buildings to inspect fittings.

39. The surveyor or other person duly appointed for the purpose by the Corporation may between the hours of eight of the clock in the forenoon and six of the clock in the afternoon enter any building or place supplied with water by the Corporation and inspect the meters pipes valves ferrules cocks cisterns soil-pans baths water-closets taps fittings and other apparatus and receptacles for conveying delivering and receiving water and the mode of arrangement thereof and see whether they are in good repair and if such surveyor or other person at any such time be refused admittance into such premises for the purposes aforesaid or be prevented from making such examination the occupier of such premises shall for every such offence forfeit to the Corporation a sum not exceeding five pounds.

Powers to refuse to supply water for other than domestic purposes except by meter.

40. The Corporation may if they thing fit in any case refuse to supply water for other than domestic purposes except by meter.

Water for other than domestic purposes.

41. The Corporation may supply any person with water for other than domestic purposes for such remuneration and upon such terms and conditions as shall be agreed upon between the Corporation and the person desirous of having such supply of water.

Service pipes.

42. All fittings connected with any service pipe at the junction with the mains and pipes of the Corporation which shall be provided by any person shall be placed and removed under the superintendence of the Corporation or their officers and at the expense of such person.

Repairs of meters.

43. Every consumer of water of the Corporation shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby any water of the Corporation supplied to him is registered in proper order in default whereof the Corporation may cease to supply water through such meter and the Corporation shall at all reasonable times have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter.

Connecting and disconnecting meters.

44. No person shall connect any meter through which any of the water of the Corporation supplied to him is intended to be or has been registered without the consent of the Corporation signified in writing under the hand of the town clerk and any person

offending against this enactment shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds. A.D. 1886.

Corporation not bound to supply several houses by one pipe.

45. The Corporation shall not be bound to supply more than one house by means of the same pipe and they may if they think fit require that a separate pipe be laid into each house supplied by them with water.

Notice of discontinuance.

46. A notice to the Corporation for the discontinuance of the supply of water shall not be of any effect unless it is in writing and left at the office of the town clerk.

Power to enter for purpose of cutting off supply.

47. Where the Corporation are authorised to cut off or remove any pipe or work or turn off any supply of water their officers and workmen after giving forty-eight hours notice to the occupier or if there is none to the owner may enter into the building or land supplied between the hours of eight in the forenoon and six in the afternoon or with the authority in writing of a justice at any other time and may therein do all acts necessary or proper for cutting off or removing or turning off such pipe or work or supply (as the case may be) and may remove and carry away any meter pipe instrument or apparatus the property of the Corporation making compensation to the owner for any damage sustained by him and if any person obstructs or attempts to obstruct or incites any person to obstruct any officer or workman of the Corporation in the exercise of any power conferred by this section he shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty of not exceeding five pounds.

Interpretation of "rateable value."

48. For the purposes of this part of this Act "rateable value" shall mean the rateable value ascertained by the valuation list for the time being in force or (if there is none) by the rate for the relief of the poor made next before the commencement of the half year for which the water rate is payable.

Water rates for supply of water for domestic purposes beyond the borough.

49. The Corporation may charge and take for a supply of water for domestic purposes to any premises beyond the limits of the borough a water rate to be assessed on the rateable value of such premises not exceeding seven pounds ten shillings per centum per annum on such rateable value: Provided always that the Corporation shall not be bound to supply any premises or part of any premises for any less sum than eight shillings and eightpence per annum.

Rates for waterclosets and baths.

50. In addition to the water rates which the Corporation may charge and take for a supply of water for domestic purposes beyond the borough they may charge—

Where there is more than one watercloset in or in connexion with a house a sum not exceeding four shillings per annum for

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every second or other watercloset in respect of each and every house in which such watercloset is placed or with which it is connected and where a dwelling-house is provided with a fixed bath or baths a sum not exceeding ten shillings per annum for each such bath.

Owners in certain cases liable to water rates.

51. Where the rateable value of a house supplied with water by the Corporation is less than eight pounds or the house is let to monthly or weekly tenants the owner shall be primarily liable to the payment of the water rates and the provisions of this Act for the recovery of water rates shall apply for the recovery of water rates from owners as well as occupiers.

In-coming tenant not to be liable for arrears of water rate except by express agreement.

52. If any water consumer leave the premises to which water has been supplied without paying to the Corporation the water rate or charge due from him the Corporation shall not require from the next tenant of the premises payment of the arrears so left unpaid by the defaulting consumer unless the in-coming tenant shall have agreed with the Corporation or with the defaulting consumer to pay the arrears but the Corporation shall supply water to the in-coming tenant upon the terms and conditions prescribed by this Act if required so to do.

Supply in bulk.

53. The Corporation may from time to time enter into and carry into effect and vary suspend or rescind contracts and arrangements with any urban or rural sanitary or other local authority company body or person for the supply of water in bulk within the Corporation's limits of supply as the Corporation think fit and every such contract and arrangement may be for such period on such terms pecuniary or otherwise and conditions as the parties thereto think fit.

For the protection of the Woking Water and Gas Company.

54. Whereas by the Woking Water and Gas Act 1885 it was provided that if at any time after the passing of that Act the municipal boundaries of the borough of Guildford should be extended so as to include that portion of the parish of Stoke which lay between the then existing parliamentary and municipal boundaries of that borough (such portion being therein-after referred to as the urban portion of the said parish) and if the Guildford Urban Sanitary Authority (herein-after referred to as "the urban authority") should within one year after such extension give to the company not less than six months previous notice in writing to expire on Christmas Day Lady Day Midsummer Day or Michaelmas Day of their desire to purchase such portion of the water undertaking of the company except the lands wells streams adits waters waterworks mains hydrants pipes or other apparatus if any which should be necessary for supplying with water any other part of the limits of

supply of the company as should be included within the urban portion of the said parish then the company should sell and the urban authority should purchase as of the date of the expiry of the said notice and on the terms therein-after mentioned so much of the undertaking of the company together with all mains pipes and accessories (except as aforesaid) as should be included in the urban portion of the said parish: It is hereby enacted that the Corporation shall within one month from the passing of this Act give to the company notice in writing of their intention to purchase such portion of the water undertaking of the company as shall be included in that portion of the parish of Stoke next Guildford as in the said recited Act is described as the urban portion of the said parish such notice to expire and take effect on the 25th day of March 1887 and the sale and purchase of the said portion of the water undertaking of the company provided for by the recited Act shall be completed on or shall take effect as from the said 25th day of March 1887.

The Corporation shall not supply any water in the said urban portion of the said parish between the date of the passing of this Act and the date hereby fixed for the completion of the said sale and purchase.

Contracts for water &c. not to disable members of Corporation.

55. Any person entering into any contract with the Corporation for a supply of water to him or for any work to be done for or meter or apparatus to be furnished to him for purposes of such supply shall not thereby be disqualified from being continuing or acting as mayor alderman or councillor of the borough or as an officer or servant of the Corporation or incur any penalty by reason of such contract or of his being continuing or acting as such councillor officer or servant but any mayor alderman or councillor of the borough concerned by himself or any partner in any such contract shall not take part in any vote proceeding or discussion relative thereto at any meeting of the Corporation or of the council.

Application of revenue of water undertaking.

56. The Corporation shall apply all moneys from time to time received by them by way of revenue in respect of their water undertaking for the following purposes:

(1.) In payment of their costs charges and expenses of and incidental to the collection and recovery of such revenue and of the borrowing of money for the purposes of such undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the expenses of conducting managing and maintaining and otherwise carrying on such undertaking.

(3.) In payment of the interest upon moneys borrowed by them for the purposes of such undertaking.

(4.) In making provision for the repayment of moneys borrowed by them for the purposes of such undertaking.

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Any balance remaining after the purposes aforesaid are effected shall be applied to any of the purposes to which the district fund is applicable.

Judges &c. not disqualified.

57. A judge of any court or a justice shall not be disqualified from acting in the execution of the provisions of this Act with respect to the water undertaking by reason of his being liable to any water rate or other charge under this part of this Act payable to the Corporation.

Contents of summons &c.

58. Any summons or warrant issued for any purpose of this Act with respect to the water undertaking of the Corporation may contain in the body thereof or in a schedule thereto several names and several sums.

Costs of distress.

59. Any justice who issues a warrant of distress for any purpose of this Act with respect to the water undertaking of the Corporation may order that the costs of recovery of the money to be levied be paid by the person liable to pay such money and in that case such costs shall be ascertained by the justice and shall be included in the warrant of distress.

Commencement of this part of this Act.

60. This part of this Act shall come into operation on the passing of this Act.

PART IV.

Local Government.

I.—*Notification of Disease.*

Notice to be given of persons suffering from infectious disease.

61. In order to secure that due notice be given to the Corporation of any inmate of any building used for human habitation who is suffering from any infectious disease the following provisions shall take effect (that is to say):—

(1.) If any such inmate be suffering from any infectious disease the occupier or the person having the charge management or control of such building or any part thereof separately occupied as a dwelling (or if such occupier or person be prevented by reason of such disease then the person in charge of such inmate) shall so soon as he shall become aware of the existence in any such inmate of any such disease forthwith give or send notice thereof by post or otherwise to the medical officer of health at his office.

(2.) If such inmate be not a member of the family of such occupier or person the head of the family (resident in such building) to which such inmate belongs or if there be no such head or if such head be prevented by illness then such inmate (unless prevented by reason of such disease or of youth) shall on becoming aware of the existence in such inmate or in

his own person as the case may be of such disease forthwith give notice thereof to such occupier or person.

(3.) The Corporation shall provide and supply gratuitously to every legally qualified medical practitioner resident or practising in the borough who shall apply for the same forms for the certificate or declaration to be made by such medical practitioner of the particulars herein-after mentioned in relation to such cases according to the form set forth in the Third Schedule to this Act.

(4.) Every legally qualified medical practitioner attending on or called in to visit such inmate shall on becoming aware that such inmate is suffering from any infectious disease forthwith fill up sign and deliver or send to the medical officer of health at his office a certificate or declaration stating according to the form so prescribed the name of such inmate the situation of such building the name of such occupier or person and the nature of the infectious disease from which in the opinion of such medical practitioner such inmate is suffering.

(5.) The Corporation shall pay to every legally qualified medical practitioner who shall in pursuance of this section duly make and give any such certificate or declaration a fee of two shillings and sixpence for each such certificate or declaration in respect of cases occurring in his private practice and a fee of one shilling for each such certificate or declaration in respect of cases occurring in his practice as a medical officer to any public body or institution.

(6.) And any person who shall wilfully offend against this enactment shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Other diseases may be declared to be within the foregoing provision.

62. The Corporation may from time to time by resolution on the report of the medical officer of health and approved by the Local Government Board order that any infectious disease other than those specifically mentioned in this Act shall be deemed to be an infectious disease within and subject to the provisions of this Act.

(1.) Any such order of the Corporation may be permanent or temporary only and if temporary the period during which it is to continue in force shall be specified therein and the Corporation shall give public notice of the order by publishing the same by advertisement in two of the local newspapers circulating in the borough and after such public notice has been given the provisions of this Act shall so long as the order continues in force apply to the disease specified therein in like manner in all respects as if the disease were an infectious disease specifically mentioned in this Act.

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(2.) The production of the newspapers containing a copy of the resolution shall be conclusive evidence that public notice of the order has been so given.

(3.) The Corporation shall immediately after any such order shall have been made send a copy thereof to each legally qualified medical practitioner residing in the borough but the omission to send any such copy shall not affect the validity of such order.

II.—*Provisions as to dealing with Infectious Disease.*

Cowkeepers and others to furnish lists of customers in certain cases.

63. Whenever it shall be certified to the Corporation by the medical officer of health or other legally qualified medical practitioner that the outbreak or spread of infectious disease is in the opinion of such medical officer of health or medical practitioner attributable to the milk supplied by any cowkeeper purveyor of milk or occupier of a dairy milk store or milk shop the Corporation may require such cowkeeper purveyor of milk or occupier to furnish to them within a time to be fixed by them a full and complete list of the names and addresses of all his customers within the borough and such cowkeeper purveyor of milk or occupier shall furnish such list accordingly and the Corporation shall pay to him for every such list after the rate of sixpence for every twenty-five names contained therein but no such payment shall exceed two shillings and every person who shall wilfully or knowingly offend against this enactment shall for each such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five shillings.

Further powers in relation to disinfection of premises.

64. Where the Corporation are of opinion on the certificate of their medical officer of health or of any other legally qualified medical practitioner that the cleansing and disinfecting of any house or part thereof and of any articles therein likely to communicate any infectious disease or to retain infection would tend to prevent or to check infectious disease and that such cleansing and disinfection would more effectually be carried out by the Corporation than by the owner or occupier of such house or part thereof the Corporation without requiring such owner or occupier to carry out such cleansing and disinfection as aforesaid may if they think fit but at their own cost themselves cleanse and disinfect such house or part thereof and articles and may for that purpose remove any such articles and shall make compensation to such owners or occupiers for all property or articles destroyed or injured by the exercise of the provisions of this section and any person who shall obstruct any duly authorised officer of the Corporation in carrying out the provisions of this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Penalty on persons ceasing to occupy houses without previous disinfection or giving notice to owner or making false answers.

65. Every person who shall cease to occupy any house room or part of a house in which any person has within six weeks previously been suffering from any infectious disease without having such house room or part of a house and all articles therein liable to retain infection disinfected to the satisfaction of a legally qualified medical practitioner as testified by a certificate signed by him or without first giving to the owner of such house room or part of a house notice of the previous existence of such disease and every person ceasing to occupy any house room or part of a house and who on being questioned by the owner thereof or by any person negotiating for the hire of such house room or part of a house as to the fact of there having within six weeks previously been therein any person suffering from any infectious disease knowingly makes a false answer to such question shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

Prohibiting the retention of dead bodies in certain cases.

66. No person shall without the sanction in writing of the medical officer of health or of a legally qualified medical practitioner retain unburied elsewhere than in a mortuary for more than forty-eight hours the dead body of any person who has died of any infectious disease and any person offending against this enactment shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a further penalty not exceeding forty shillings for every day during which the offence is continued.

Bodies of persons dying in hospital &c. of infectious diseases to be removed only for burial.

67. If any person shall die from any infectious disease in any hospital or place of temporary accommodation provided by the Corporation and the medical officer of health certifies that in his opinion it is desirable in order to prevent the risk of communicating any infectious disease or spreading infection that the dead body shall not be removed from such hospital or place except for the purpose of being forthwith buried it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to remove such dead body from such hospital or place except for the last-mentioned purpose and when the dead body is taken out of such hospital or place for that purpose it shall be forthwith carried or taken directly to some cemetery or place of burial and shall be forthwith there buried and any person wilfully offending against this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

Justices may in certain cases order dead bodies to be buried.

68. Where the dead body of any person who has died of any infectious disease remains unburied elsewhere than in a mortuary for more than forty-eight hours after death without the sanction of the medical officer of health or of a legally qualified medical practitioner or is retained in a room in which persons live or sleep or where the dead body of any person is retained in any house or building so as to endanger the health of the inmates of such house

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or building or of any adjoining or neighbouring house or building and there shall be a certificate thereof signed by a legally qualified medical practitioner any justice may order the body to be removed at the cost of the Corporation to any mortuary provided by the Corporation and direct the same to be buried within a time to be limited in the order or may in the case of the body of a person who has died from any infectious disease or in any case in which he shall consider immediate burial necessary direct such body to be so buried without requiring the same to be removed to a mortuary and unless the friends or relatives of the deceased undertake to bury and do bury the body within the time limited by such order it shall be the duty of the relieving officer to bury such body at the expense of the poor rate but any expense so incurred may be recovered by the relieving officer in a summary manner from any person legally liable to pay the expense of such burial. Any person obstructing the execution of an order made by a justice under this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Corpses not to be carried in public conveyance.

69. Any person who hires or uses a public conveyance other than a hearse for the conveyance of the corpse of a person who has died from any infectious disease without previously notifying to the owner or driver of such public conveyance that the person whose corpse is or is intended to be so conveyed has died from infectious disease and any owner or driver of a public conveyance other than a hearse which has been used for conveying the corpse of a person who has died from infectious disease who shall not immediately afterwards provide for the disinfection of such conveyance shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Recovery of penalties under this part of this Act.

70. No penalty under this part of this Act shall be recoverable except on the information or complaint of the Corporation or of the medical officer or of an inspector of nuisances appointed by the Corporation.

Temporary shelter &c.

71. The Corporation shall from time to time provide temporary shelter or house accommodation for the members of any family in which any infectious disease has appeared and who have been compelled to leave their dwellings for the purpose of enabling such dwellings to be disinfected and may further provide or contract with any person or persons to provide nurses for attendance upon persons suffering from any infectious disease within the borough and shall be enabled to charge a reasonable sum for the service of any nurse provided by them.

Saving for Acts relating to dairies animals &c.

72. Nothing in or done under this Act shall interfere with the operation or effect of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act 1878 or of any order license or act of Her Majesty Privy Council made

granted or done or to be made granted or done thereunder or of any order regulation license or act of a local authority made granted or done or to be made granted or done under any such order of the Privy Council or exempt the dairies milkstores or milkshops to which this Act relates or any building or thing whatsoever or anybody or person from the provisions of any general Act relating to dairies milk or animals already passed or to be passed in this or any future session of Parliament.

III.—*Processions.*

Processions.

73. The Corporation may by resolution published in one or more newspapers circulating in the borough prohibit the passage through the streets during certain hours to be prescribed by such resolution of any circus procession or any procession of animals which they may consider likely to cause danger in the streets or of any advertising van or vehicle which they may consider to be of an objectionable character and may in like manner prohibit the passage through the streets on Sundays of any procession accompanied by instrumental music or any disturbing noise :

Any person who acts in contravention to this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds :

Provided that this section shall not apply to any of Her Majesty's naval military reserve or auxiliary forces.

IV.—*Guildford Castle Estate.*

Power to utilise houses &c. in Guildford Castle Estate.

74. Whereas the Corporation have under the powers of section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875 purchased Guildford Castle and certain lands and premises adjacent thereto upon which lands are certain houses and buildings which could be and it is expedient should be made available for municipal offices and for the use and occupation of officers and servants of the Corporation : Therefore the Corporation may if they think fit appropriate the whole or any part of such houses and buildings to the objects and purposes aforesaid or any of them and may if they think fit alter repair and improve the same and until they are used for the purposes aforesaid may let the same to any person willing to rent the same for any term not longer than a yearly tenancy.

PART V.

Financial.

Expenses of execution of Act and power to borrow.

75. All expenses incurred by the Corporation in carrying into execution the provisions of this Act (except such of them as are authorised to be paid out of borrowed money) shall be paid out of

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the district fund and general district rate. The Corporation may from time to time in addition to any moneys they are now authorised to borrow or which they may be authorised to borrow borrow and re-borrow at interest:

On the security of the district fund and general district rate:

For paying the costs charges and expenses of and in relation to this Act as herein-after defined the sum requisite for the purpose.

Moneys to be paid off in ten years.

76. All moneys borrowed under the preceding section shall be repaid within the period of ten years from the time when the same shall be first borrowed and shall be deemed to be moneys borrowed under the powers of section 233 of the Public Health Act 1875 for the purpose of defraying costs charges and expenses incurred by the Corporation in the execution of that Act and all the provisions of that Act shall apply as if such moneys were borrowed thereunder.

Application of moneys borrowed.

77. All moneys raised under the provisions of this Act shall be applied only to the purposes for which they are by this Act authorised to be raised and to which capital is properly applicable and for no other purposes.

Annual return to Local Government Board with respect to sinking fund.

78. The town clerk shall within twenty-one days after the expiration of each year during which any sum is required to be set apart for a sinking fund or to be paid by way of instalment under this Act transmit to the Local Government Board a return in such form as may be prescribed by that board and verified by statutory declaration if so required by them showing the amount which has been paid off by way of instalment and the amount which has been invested for the purpose of such sinking fund during the year preceding the making of such return and the description of the securities upon which the same and the interest thereof have been invested and also showing the purposes to which any portion of the moneys invested for the sinking fund has been applied during the same period and the total amount (if any) remaining invested at the end of the year and in the event of any wilful fault in making such return the town clerk shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding twenty pounds recoverable by that board in the same manner as penalties recoverable under the Public Health Act 1875 in a summary manner may be recovered by parties aggrieved within the meaning of that Act. If it appear to the Local Government Board by such return or otherwise that the Corporation have failed to pay by way of instalment or to set apart for the sinking fund the sum required by this Act or have applied any portion of the money set apart for that fund or any interest thereof to any purposes other than those authorised by this Act the Local Government Board may by

order direct that a sum not exceeding double the amount in respect of which such default is made be set apart and invested as part of the sinking fund and their order shall be enforceable by a writ of Mandamus to be obtained by the Local Government Board out of a court of competent jurisdiction.

Expenses of Act.

79. The costs charges and expenses preliminary to and of and incidental to the preparing and applying for and the obtaining and passing of this Act including the costs charges and expenses preliminary to and of and connected with the obtaining of the resolution of owners and ratepayers aforesaid as taxed by the taxing officer of the House of Lords or of the House of Commons shall be paid by the Corporation out of the funds and rates under the control of the Corporation or out of moneys borrowed on the security thereof under the powers of this Act.

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The SCHEDULES referred to in the foregoing Act.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE.

MUNICIPAL LIMITS OF BOROUGH AS EXTENDED.

THE EXISTING BOROUGH.

On the easterly side of the existing Borough.

So much of the parish of Stoke-next-Guildford in the county of Surrey as is contained between the boundary of the existing borough and the following boundary that is to say:

A boundary traced from the angle of the boundary of the existing borough in the Merrow Road south-eastward along the centre of the Cross Road from the said Merrow Road to the point at which the said Cross Road joins the road leading from the existing borough past the Union Workhouse to Merrow Downs and thence south-westward in a straight line to the south-eastern angle of the existing borough (being such part of the said parish as lies without the boundary of the existing borough but was within the late parliamentary boundary of the borough of Guildford).

On the westerly and northerly side of the existing Borough.

So much of the parish of St. Nicholas Guildford and hamlet or tithing of Artington in the county of Surrey as is contained between the boundary of the existing borough and the following boundary that is to say:

A boundary traced from the angle of the boundary of the existing borough in the Farnham Road south-westward along the said road to the south-west corner of the property of the Royal Surrey County Hospital thence north-westward along the boundary of the said property to the north-west corner thereof thence northward in a straight line to the angle in the road leading from the said Farnham Road to Guildford Park Farm and thence north-eastward in a straight line to a point on the west bank of the River Wey direct west of the north-western angle of the boundary of the existing borough and thence eastward in a straight line to the north-western angle of the boundary of the existing borough.

THE SECOND SCHEDULE.

LIMITS FOR THE SUPPLY OF WATER BEYOND THE LIMITS OF THE EXTENDED BOROUGH.

So much of the said parish of St. Nicholas Guildford and hamlet or tithing of Artington as are not included within the limits of the extended borough.

So much of the parish of Shalford in the county of Surrey as is not included within the limits of the extended borough.

So much of the said parish of Stoke-next-Guildford as is contained between the boundary of the existing borough and the following boundary that is to say:

A boundary traced from the point at which the boundary of the existing borough crosses the said River Wey northward along the said river to a point fifty feet south of Wood Bridge thence eastward in a line parallel to but fifty feet to the south of Wood Bridge Road to a point at which the said road joins Joseph's Lane and thence in a line parallel to but fifty feet to the south of Joseph's Lane to a point in the centre of Stoke Road fifty feet to the south of the junction of the said lane with Stoke Road and thence southward along the centre of the said Stoke Road to the boundary of the existing borough.

THE THIRD SCHEDULE.

CERTIFICATE OF DISEASE, &c. UNDER THE GUILDFORD CORPORATION ACT 1886.

To the Corporation of the borough of Guildford.

Pursuant to the above-mentioned Act I hereby certify and declare that in my opinion the under-mentioned person is suffering from an infectious disease within the terms of such Act.

Dated the day of 18 .

(Signed)

Name of person suffering from the disease }
Situation of the house building or room wherein such person is }
Name of occupier or other person having the charge management or control of such house building or room }
Nature of disease.

Note.—This certificate must (under a penalty of forty shillings in case of neglect) be forthwith delivered or sent to the medical officer of health of the Corporation at his office.

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