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Cap. clxxxix.

An Act for providing and constructing Markets, Market Places, and Slaughter-houses, with all necessary Conveniences, within the Parishes of *Burnham* and *Huntspill* in the County of *Somerset*, and for supplying and lighting with Gas the Town or Hamlet of *Highbridge* and the Parishes or Places adjacent, all in the County of *Somerset*. [6th *August* 1860.]

WHEREAS Markets and Fairs have been held for many Years past within the Parishes of *Burnham* and *Huntspill*, both in the County of *Somerset*, and at other Places within the District herein-after mentioned, for the Sale of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, and other Live Stock: And whereas the said Markets and Fairs are now held partly in the Streets and public Thoroughfares, to the great Obstruction of the Public, and to the Nuisance, Danger, and Inconvenience of the Passengers through and near the same, and it would be advantageous to the Inhabitants of the said Parishes and of the Neighbourhood thereof if the same (so far as the Sale of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, and other Live Stock is concerned,) were abolished, and if com-

modious and sufficient Market Houses and Market Places, with suitable Buildings and Accommodations connected therewith, and Approaches thereto, were provided, for the Convenience of Persons frequenting the said Markets, and proper Rates and Regulations made for the Use and Conduct of the same, and if the holding of Markets and Fairs in the Streets and other Places were discontinued: And whereas in or about the Year 1846 a Company was incorporated under the Joint Stock Companies Act, 1844, by the Name of "The *Highbridge* Market House Company," for establishing at *Highbridge* in the Parish of *Burnham* in the County of *Somerset* a Market for the Sale of Cheese, Bacon, Butter, and other Commodities, and they have since erected a Market House and Buildings, at an Expense of One thousand three hundred Pounds, and held Markets therein: And whereas the District comprised within the Limits of this Act has for many Years past been and still is improving, and the Construction of certain Wharves, Railways, and other public Works has increased the Population of such District, and in consequence thereof further and better Accommodation is much needed within the said District for holding Markets and Fairs: And whereas the several Persons first herein-after named, with others, have agreed to form themselves into a Company, and provide the necessary Capital for the Purpose of erecting or providing a Market House or Market Houses, Market Place or Market Places, and Slaughter-houses, with all suitable and proper Buildings, Depasturing Fields, and Conveniences in connexion therewith, in the Parishes of *Burnham* and *Huntspill*, or One or both of them, in the County of *Somerset*, and it would be a great local and public Advantage if such Persons were authorized to carry the same into Effect, as by this Act provided, but the same cannot be done without the Authority of Parliament: And whereas it is also expedient that the said Town or Hamlet of *Highbridge* and other Parishes and Places adjacent thereto, all in the County of *Somerset*, should be lighted with Gas: And whereas the Parties secondly herein-after named, with others, are willing to supply such Town or Hamlet and Parishes and Places adjacent with Gas, if authorized by Parliament so to do: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows; (that is to say,)

8 & 9 Vict. cc. 16. & 18. and 10 & 11 Vict. cc. 14. & 15. incorporated.

I. The several Acts of Parliament following, *videlicet*, "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," "The Markets and Fairs Clauses Act, 1847," and "The Gasworks Clauses Act, 1847," shall be incorporated with this Act, except so far as the same shall be expressly varied thereby.

Short Title.

II. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as "The *Highbridge* Markets and Gas Act, 1860."

III. The

Limits of Act.

III. The Limits within which this and the incorporated Acts shall be put in force shall comprise and include the Parishes of *Huntspill*, *Puriton*, *Woolavington*, *Mark*, *Lympsham*, *Berrow*, and *Brean*, all in the County of *Somerset*, and such Parts only of the Parish of *Burnham* in that County as are not within the Limits of the District of the Local Board of Health of *Burnham*, and such Parts only, if any, of the Parish of *South Brent* in that County as are not within the Limits of the Manor of *South Brent Huish*: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall interfere or be deemed or construed to interfere with the holding of existing Fairs within the said Parish of *Mark*, but all existing Fairs may be held there as heretofore, and as if this Act had not been passed.

Saving Rights of the Manor of Pawlet.

IV. Nothing herein contained shall prejudice, restrict, or interfere with the Rights of the Lord or the Lady of the Manor of *Pawlet* for the Time being, as such Lord or Lady of the said Manor, in respect to any Markets or Fairs which may have been or shall be held within the said Manor, and the Provisions of this Act shall not apply to such Markets or Fairs.

Newspaper for Advertisements.

V. The Newspaper in which Advertisements and Notices in any way relating to the said Companies hereby incorporated or either of them are to be inserted shall be some Newspaper published or circulating in the County of *Somerset*.

Incorporation of Market Company.

VI. *Joseph Wollen*, *John Allen*, *Joseph Allen*, *Ambrose Adams*, *Robert Daunton*, *John Prior Estlin*, *Thomas Hicks*, and *Charles James Brody Mais*, and all other Persons and Corporations who have subscribed or shall hereafter subscribe to the Undertaking, and the Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns of such Persons and Corporations respectively, shall be incorporated by the Name of "The *Highbridge* Market Company" (herein-after called "the Market Company"), and by that Name shall be a Body Corporate, with perpetual Succession and a Common Seal, and shall have Power to purchase and hold Lands within the Restrictions herein contained.

Capital of Market Company.

VII. The Capital of the Market Company shall be Five thousand Pounds, and the Number of Shares in which the Capital shall be divided shall be One thousand, and the Amount of each Share shall be Five Pounds.

Calls.

VIII. The greatest Amount of any One Call which the Market Company may make on the Shareholders shall be Two Pounds *per* Share, and Three Months at least shall intervene between any Two successive Calls.

IX. It

Power for Market Company to borrow on Mortgage.

IX. It shall be lawful for the Market Company to borrow on Mortgage any Sums not exceeding in the whole the Sum of One thousand two hundred and fifty Pounds; but no Part of such Sum shall be borrowed until the whole of the said Capital of Five thousand Pounds shall have been subscribed for, and One Half Part thereof shall have been actually paid up, and until the Company shall prove to the Justice who is to certify, under the Provisions contained in the Fortieth Section of "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," before he so certifies, that all such Capital has been subscribed for *bonâ fide*, and is held by Subscribers or their Assigns, and for which such Subcribers or their Assigns are legally liable.

Number of Directors of Market Company.

X. The Number of the Directors of the Market Company in the first instance shall be Nine, but it shall be lawful for the Company at any Time to reduce the Number to Three.

First Directors of such Company.

XI. *Joseph Wollen*, *John Allen*, *Joseph Allen*, *Ambrose Adams*, *Robert Daunton*, *John Prior Estlin*, *Thomas Hicks*, and *Charles James Brodie Mais* shall be the First Directors of the Market Company.

Qualification of such Company.

XII. The Qualification of a Director of the Market Company shall be the Possession of Five Shares in the Undertaking.

Quorum of Meeting of Directors of such Company.

XIII. The Quorum of a Meeting of Directors of the Market Company shall be Three.

First Ordinary Meeting of such Company.

XIV. The First Ordinary Meeting of the Market Company shall be held within Six Months after the passing of this Act.

Shareholders of such Company may convene Meetings.

XV. It shall be lawful for Ten or more Shareholders, holding in the aggregate not less than One Tenth of the Capital of the Market Company, to require that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Company shall be held.

Power to construct Market House, &c. according to deposited Plans, &c.

XVI. And whereas a Plan, with a Book of Reference thereto, describing the Lands intended to be taken for the Purposes of this Act, was on or before the Thirtieth Day of *November* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine deposited with the Clerk of the Peace for the County of *Somerset*: Be it enacted, That, subject to the Provisions of this and the incorporated Acts contained, the Market Company, upon the Lands described upon the said Plan and in the said Book of Reference, except the Property numbered 20 on the said Plan and Reference thereto of the Parish of *Burnham*, which is intended to be taken for the Erection of Gasworks, may construct a Market House and Market Place, or Market Houses and Market Places, and a Slaughter-house or Slaughter-houses, with all necessary Buildings, Works, and Conveniences,

niences, and the Company may enter upon, take, and use for all or any of such Purposes the whole or any Part of such Lands, except as aforesaid.

Powers for compulsory Purchases limited.

XVII. The Power by this Act conferred for the compulsory Purchase of Lands shall not be exercised after the Expiration of Three Years from the passing of this Act: Provided always, that the Company shall elect within One Year from the passing of this Act upon which of the Four Sites defined upon the said deposited Plans the said Market shall be erected, and the compulsory Powers by this Act authorized shall be held to apply only to the Site determined on by the Company.

Proposed new Market Works may be extended.

XVIII. If at any Time hereafter the said proposed Market House or Market Houses, Market Place or Market Places, or Slaughter-houses, shall be found to be not sufficiently capacious or suited for the Purposes of the said Markets and Fairs, and for slaughtering Cattle, it shall be lawful for the Company to enlarge, vary, and remove the same from Time to Time, or to make an additional Market House or Market Houses, Market Place or Market Places, or Slaughter-houses, within the Limits of this Act, and for such Purposes to purchase and hold Lands by Agreement, and all and singular the Powers and Provisions of this Act shall be applicable for the Purpose of any such Enlargement, Substitution, or Addition, and for regulating and maintaining the same when made.

Power to take Market Tolls as in Schedule A.

XIX. So soon as the said proposed Market House or Market Houses, Market Place or Market Places, or any of them, shall be purchased and completed, or opened for public Use, it shall be lawful for the Market Company from Time to Time to demand and take from any Person occupying or using any Stand, Stall, Pen, Shed, Station, Building, or Place in the said proposed Market House or Market Houses, Market Place or Market Places, or any Place provided for Fairs, or in any Market House, Market Place or Market Places, or Buildings to be constructed and established under the Provisions of this Act, or bringing into such proposed Market House or Market Houses, Market Place or Market Places, or Building, any Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, or other Live Stock, such Tolls, Rents, and Stallages as the Company shall from Time to Time appoint, not exceeding the several Tolls, Rents, and Stallages specified in the Schedule A. to this Act annexed.

Tolls for Slaughter-houses as in Schedule B.

XX. It shall also be lawful for the Market Company to demand and take from any Person slaughtering Cattle in any Slaughter-house, and for the Use of Fasting-houses or Depasturing Fields belonging to them, such Tolls as the Company may from Time to Time appoint, not exceeding in any Case the Amount specified in Schedule B. to this Act annexed.

Power to let Tolls, &c.

XXI. It shall be lawful for the Market Company to let any of the Stalls, Pens, Standing-places, Benches, Sheds, or other Conveniences in the said Market House or Market Houses, Market Place or Market Places, or Slaughter-houses, or the said Stallages, Rents or Tolls, or any of them, to any Person or Corporation, for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

Company, within limited Time, to provide and open Cattle Market.

XXII. Within Three Years after the passing of this Act the Market Company shall and they are hereby required to construct or provide, establish, and open for public Use the Cattle Markets by this Act authorized, with all necessary Conveniences and Approaches; and from and after the opening of the said Markets no other Markets or Fairs for the Sale of Live Cattle shall be held within the Limits of this Act, any Usage, Custom, or Privilege to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall interfere with the Right of the *Highbridge* Market House Company, "Limited," to hold a Market on the Property at present belonging to them on the Days and at the Times they have been heretofore accustomed to hold Markets.

Proviso not to affect Highbridge Market House Company "Limited."

Market Days.

XXIII. The Market Company shall hold the Markets on the First and Third *Monday* in every Month, or on such other Days and during such Hours in every Day as they shall appoint, but that Notice of the Alteration of any of the said Market Days or of the holding Markets on any additional or other Days shall be duly given by public Advertisement in some Newspaper or otherwise.

Restriction as to Sale of marketable Commodities.

XXIV. Every Person who shall, on the Days hereby appointed or to be appointed for holding Markets within the Limits of this Act, sell, let, or expose for Sale or Letting, at any Place within the Limits of this Act, and within the Distance of One Mile from any Market House and Market Places to be established under this Act, any Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, or other Live Stock in respect of which Tolls are by this Act authorized to be taken, shall forfeit and pay to the Market Company any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings, unless he or they shall pay or have paid the Tolls by this Act authorized to be taken.

Lands for extraordinary Purposes.

XXV. The Land to be taken or purchased by the Market Company for the extraordinary Purposes mentioned in "The Fairs and Clauses Act, 1847," and including the Depasturing Fields herein-before mentioned, shall not exceed Seven Acres.

Assignment of Leases.

XXVI. It shall be lawful for any Lessee of the Market Company, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, with Consent of the Company, to assign his Lease for the Residue of his Term.

XXVII. If

Power to "Highbridge Market House Company, Limited," with Consent, to purchase new Markets.

XXVII. If at any Time after the passing of this Act the *Highbridge* Market Company, "Limited," (herein-after called "the Old Company,") shall express in Writing under their Seal to the Market Company their Desire to become the Owners of the Markets, Market Places, Works, Tolls, Property, Rights, and Privileges by this Act authorized, the Two Companies may, if the Market Company shall think fit, enter into an Agreement for the Sale and Transfer of the said Markets, Market Places, Works, Tolls, Property, Rights, and Privileges to the Old Company, and in case of such Sale and Transfer as aforesaid the Old Company shall have, hold, use, and enjoy all and every the Powers, Rights, and Privileges, Claims and Demands, of the Market Company, in as full, ample, and beneficial a Manner as the Market Company may have, possess, or enjoy the same.

Power to Market Company, with Consent, to purchase present Market House and Buildings.

XXVIII. If at any Time after the passing of this Act the Market Company shall express in Writing under their Corporate Seal to the Old Company their Desire to become the Owners of the present Market House, Buildings, Works, Tolls, Property, Rights and Privileges, the Two Companies may, if the Old Company shall think fit, enter into an Agreement for the Sale and Transfer of the said Market House, Buildings, Works, Tolls, Property, Rights and Privileges, to the Market Company; and in case of such Sale and Transfer as aforesaid the Market Company shall have, hold, use, and enjoy all and every the Powers, Rights and Privileges, Claims and Demands, of the Old Company, in as full, ample, and beneficial a Manner as they have hitherto, or may hereafter have, possess, claim, or enjoy the same.

Subscribers to Gas Company incorporated.

XXIX. *Joseph Wollen*, *John Allen*, *Joseph Allen*, *Ambrose Adams*, *Robert Daunton*, *Thomas Hicks*, *John Prior Estlin*, *Thomas Hicks*, and *Charles James Brody Mais*, and all such other Persons as have already subscribed or shall hereafter subscribe to the Undertaking, and their respective Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, shall be united into a Company for the Purpose of making and supplying Gas, Coke, and other Substances within the Limits of this Act, and for such Purpose shall be incorporated by the Name of "The *Highbridge* Gas Company," (herein-after called the Gas Company,) and by that Name shall be a Body Corporate with perpetual Succession, and may have a Common Seal, and may purchase and hold Lands for the Purposes of the Undertaking, subject to the Provisions of this Act.

Capital of Gas Company.

XXX. The Capital of the Gas Company shall be Five thousand Pounds, divided into One thousand Shares of Five Pounds each.

Calls.

XXXI. Two Pounds *per* Share shall be the greatest Amount of any One Call, and Three Months at least shall be the Interval between each successive Call.

XXXII. The

Power for Gas Company to borrow on Mortgage.

XXXII. The Gas Company from Time to Time may borrow on Mortgage any Sums not exceeding in the whole One thousand two hundred and fifty Pounds, but no Part of such Sum shall be borrowed until One Half of the said Capital or Sum of Five thousand Pounds shall have been subscribed for, and One Fourth Part thereof paid up, and until the Company shall prove to the Justice who is to certify, under the Provisions contained in the Fortieth Section of "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," before he so certifies, that all such Capital has been subscribed for *bonâ fide*, and is held by Subscribers or their Assigns, and for which such Subscribers or their Assigns are legally liable.

Power to acquire Lands and construct Gasworks.

XXXIII. And whereas a Plan, with a Book of Reference thereto, describing the Land intended to be taken for the Purposes of this Act, was on or before the Thirtieth Day of *November* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine deposited with the Clerk of the Peace for the County of *Somerset:* Be it enacted, That, subject to the Provisions in this and the incorporated Act contained, the Gas Company may acquire the said Land described upon the said Plan and in the said Book of Reference, and numbered therein 20, and situate and being in the Parish of *Burnham* aforesaid, and comprised within the following Limits, (that is to say,) bounded on or towards the North and West by a Close of Arable Land called "the *Twelve Acres*," and a small Orchard adjoining thereto, both in the Occupation of *William Brooks*, on or towards the South and West by Two Orchards in the Occupation of *William Poole*, on or towards the North and East by a Close of Meadow or Pasture Land in the Occupation of *Edward Saunders*, and on or towards the South and East by a Close of Arable Land in the Occupation of *William Coombes*, or may acquire by Agreement the said Close of Arable Land in the Occupation of *William Coombes*, and One or both of the said Two Orchards in the Occupation of *William Brookes*; and thereupon may from Time to Time make, erect, or construct, maintain, lay down, provide, alter, extend, and renew, Gasworks, Gasometers, Retorts, Receivers, and Buildings, Cisterns, Engines, Machines, and other Apparatus and Works, and also such Houses and Buildings upon the aforesaid Land as they shall think necessary, convenient, or proper for making and supplying Gas, Coke, and other Substances within the Limits of this Act.

Power to maintain and erect Gasworks, and to supply Gas, &c.

XXXIV. Subject to the Restrictions herein contained, the Gas Company may, within the Limits of this Act, maintain, make, erect, lay down, provide, and renew Gasworks, and also Retorts, Gasometers, Receivers, Drains, Sewers, Mains, Service and other Pipes, Meters, Lamp Posts, Stopcocks, Burners, Machinery, and other Works and Apparatus, Houses, Buildings, and Approaches, and may do all such Acts as they think proper for making and storing Gas, and for supplying

Gas

Gas within the Limits of this Act, and make, store, and supply Gas accordingly, and may manufacture and deal in Coals, Coke, Tar, Pitch, Asphaltum, Ammoniacal Liquor, Oil, and other Matters, the Produce of the Coals or other Materials which may be employed in the Manufacture of such Gas, and may manufacture, or provide, supply, or deal in Gas Fittings, Tube Meters and Pipes, and do all other Acts and provide and supply all other Things in any way connected with Gasworks, or with the Supply of Gas to the Consumers thereof, in such Manner as the Company may think proper.

Limit of Price for Gas.

XXXV. That the maximum Price at which Gas shall be sold by the Company to all Persons who shall burn the same by Meter shall not exceed Seven Shillings *per* Thousand Cubic Feet for the Term of Ten Years from the Time when the Company shall commence to supply Gas, and not exceeding Six Shillings *per* One thousand Cubic Feet for ever after.

Quality of Gas.

XXXVI. Unless prevented by Frost or unavoidable Cause or Accident, or during necessary Repairs occasioned by such Accident, all the Gas supplied by the Company shall be of such Quality as to produce from an Argand Burner having Fifteen Holes and a Seven-Inch Chimney, and consuming Five Cubic Feet of Gas *per* Hour, a Light equal in Intensity to Nine Times the Light produced by a Sperm Candle of Six in the Pound, burning One hundred and twenty Grains *per* Hour, and shall as far as possible be free from Sulphureted Hydrogen and other Compounds deteriorating its Purity.

Company to erect Test Meter.

XXXVII. The Company shall, within Three Months after they shall have commenced to supply Gas, cause to be erected in some convenient Part of the Works, and in connexion with the Mains by which Gas is distributed within the Limits, and in a Place where the whole of the Gas supplied by the Company can be tested, an experimental Meter, furnished with an Argand Fifteen-hole Burner and a Seven-inch Chimney, or other approved Burner and Chimney, capable of consuming Five Cubic Feet of Gas *per* Hour, with other necessary Apparatus for testing the illuminating Power of the Gas.

Power to Justices, on Requisition, to authorize testing of Gas.

XXXVIII. Two Justices, not being Directors or Shareholders of the Company, on receiving a Requisition signed by not less than Five Consumers of the Gas of the Company, complaining that the Gas supplied to them is not in their Judgment and Belief of the full illuminating Power prescribed by this Act, if they shall think fit, by Order in Writing under their Hands, may appoint some competent Person to proceed to the Works of the Company, and the Person so appointed, on giving Six Hours previous Notice in Writing to the Company, may, at any reasonable Hour in the Daytime, on producing the said Order, enter on the Premises of the Company, and in the Presence of the Superintendent or other Officer of the Company make Experiment of the illuminating Power of the Gas of the Company, by means of the experimental

rimental Meter and other Apparatus before mentioned, and the Company and their Officers shall afford all reasonable Facilities and Assistance to the making of such Experiment; and if it shall thereupon be proved to the Satisfaction of the said Two Justices, after hearing the Parties, that the illuminating Power of the Gas supplied by the Company did not when so tested as aforesaid equal the illuminating Power by this Act prescribed, or that the Company or their Officers refused to afford such reasonable Facilities as aforesaid, or hindered or prevented the making of such Experiment, in any such Case the Company shall forfeit such Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds as the said Justices shall determine.

Cost of Experiment to be paid according to the Event.

XXXIX. The Costs of and attending such Experiment, including the Remuneration to be paid to the Person making the same, and the Costs of the Proceedings before the Justices, shall be ascertained by such Justices, and in the event of any Penalty being imposed on the Company shall be paid, together with such Penalty, by the Company, but in the event of the Gas being found when tested to be of not less illuminating Power than is by this Act prescribed, such Costs shall be awarded to be paid by the several Persons making such Requisition as aforesaid to the Company, and shall be paid or levied accordingly.

Number and Qualification of Directors of Gas Company.

XL. The Number of Directors shall be Nine, and the Qualification of a Director shall be the Possession in his own Right of Five Shares in the Undertaking.

First Directors of said Company.

XLI. *Joseph Wollen*, *John Allen*, *Joseph Allen*, *Ambrose Adams*, *Robert Daunton*, *John Prior Estlin*, *Thomas Hicks*, and *Charles James Brody Mais* shall be the First Directors of the Gas Company.

Power to reduce Number of Directors of said Cdmpany.

XLII. The Gas Company may from Time to Time reduce the Number of Directors, provided the reduced Number of Directors be not less than Three.

Rates for Supply of Gas.

XLIII. The Gas Company or the Directors thereof may from Time to Time fix the Rates and Charges to be taken by the Company for the Supply of Gas under this Act, and for the Use of Meters and other Apparatus connected with Gasworks.

Consumers of Gas may be required to consume by Meter.

XLIV. Every Consumer of Gas supplied by the Gas Company shall, on the Request of the Company, consume the Gas supplied to him by Meter to be provided by the Company at their own Expense, or (at the Option of the Consumer) by the Consumer, and approved by the Company before it is used and during the Use thereof.

Penalty for fraudulent Use of Meters.

XLV. Every Person who knowingly or wilfully prevents any Meter from duly registering the Quantity of Gas supplied by the Company shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay to the Company a Sum not exceeding

exceeding Five Pounds; and any such Prevention caused by artificial Means, where such Meter shall be under his Custody or Control, shall be *primâ facie* Evidence of such Knowledge on the Part of the Consumer using such Meter.

Power to remove Gas Pipes from unoccupied Premises.

XLVI. When any House, Building, or Premises from which the Gas Company are by "The Gasworks Clauses Act, 1847," authorized to cut off the Supply of Gas, shall be unoccupied, the Company, their Agents, Servants, and Workmen, after giving Twenty-four Hours previous Notice of their Intention to the Owner or his Agent,, by delivering Notice thereof to such Owner or Agent, or leaving the same at the usual Place of Abode of such Owner or Agent, or if such Place of Abode be not known to the Company, then after affixing such Notice for Three Days previously on some conspicuous Part of such House, Building, or Premises, may enter into the same between the Hours of Eight in the Forenoon and Six in the Afternoon, and remove and carry away any Pipe, Meter, Fitting, and other Works belònging to the Company, making Compensation to the Owner for any Damage which may be occasioned to him thereby.

Penalty for wilfully damaging Mains, &c.

XLVII. Every Person who shall wilfully remove, destroy, or damage any of the Mains, Meters, or other Property belonging to the Gas Company, or in anywise cause or procure the same to be done, shall for such Offence forfeit to the Company any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, in addition to the Amount of the Damage done.

Recovery of Money by Distress when not disputed.

XLVIII. All Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty Pounds due to the Gas Company for the Supply of Gas, or for Coke, Tar, or any other Materials or Articles sold by the Company, or for the Price, Hire, or fixing of any Burners, Meter, or Fittings, and all Tolls, Rents, and Stallages, Damages, Costs, and Expenses, by this Act or any Act incorporated therewith directed to be paid, and the Amount of which shall not be disputed, may be levied by Distress, and any Justice, on Application, may issue his Warrant accordingly.

Several Names, &c. in One Warrant.

XLIX. Any One Warrant issued for any of the Purposes of this Act may contain in the Body thereof or in the Schedule thereto several Names and several Sums.

Costs of Distress.

L. Any Justice who issues a Warrant of Distress for any of the Purposes of this Act may order that the Cost of the Proceedings for the Recovery of the Money to be levied shall be paid by the Person liable to pay such Money, and such Costs shall be ascertained by the Justice, and shall be included in the Warrant of Distress for the Recovery of such Money.

Warrant of Distress to be after Summons.

LI. Provided always, That unless on Cause being shown by the Company to any Justice he see fit to issue his Warrant of Distress without a previous Summons, he shall not issue his Warrant of Distress unless the

the Party complained against be previously summoned by a Justice to appear before him or some other Justice at a Time and Place named in such Summons and the Time of such Appearance have elapsed.

Penalties to be sued for by the Company only.

LII. All Penalties under this Act shall be sued for by and on behalf of the said Companies hereby incorporated, or either of them respectively only, and shall not be levied or enforced at the Suit or on the Information of any other Person.

Expenses of Act.

LIII. All the Costs, Charges, and Expenses of and incident to the preparing and passing of this Act shall be borne and paid by the Market Company.

SCHEDULE A. referred to in the foregoing Act.

TABLE OF TOLLS.

Horses and Cattle.

	£	s.	d.
For every Horse, Gelding or Mare	0	2	0
For every Yearling, Colt, or Filley, Foal, Mule, or Ass	0	1	0
For every Bull, Ox, Cow, Bullock, Steer, Heifer, or Calf	0	0	3
For every Sheep or Lamb	0	0	2
For every Head of Swine (except Sucking Pig)	0	0	2
For every Sucking Pig	0	0	0½
For every Stallion brought, led, or shown	0	10	0
For every other Animal whatever	0	0	6

SCHEDULE B.

Slaughter-houses.

	£	s.	d.
For every Bull, Ox, Cow, Bullock, Steer, or Heifer	0	1	6
For every Calf	0	0	6
For every Sheep or Lamb	0	0	3
For every Hog or Pig	0	0	6
For every other Beast	0	1	6

Tolls to be taken for the Use of Fasting-houses or Depasturing Fields.

	£	s.	d.
For every Bull, Ox, Cow, or Bullock	0	1	0
For every Calf	0	0	4
For every Sheep or Lamb	0	0	2
For every Hog or Pig	0	0	4
For every other Beast	0	1	0

No Animal to remain longer than 36 Hours without paying an additional Toll, and so for each 36 Hours or Part thereof.

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