CHAPTER iv.

An Act to extend the time granted to the Watton and Swaffham Railway Company for the purchase of lands and for the construction of the Watton and Swaffham Railway. [13th May 1872.]

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WHEREAS by "The Watton and Swaffham Railway Act, 1869," the Watton and Swaffham Railway Company were authorised to make a Railway in extension of the Thetford and Watton Railway to the Great Eastern Railway at Swaffham in Norfolk: 32 & 33 Vict. c. cxxi.

And whereas by the 19th section of the said Act, the powers of the Company for the compulsory purchase of the lands required for their undertaking were limited to the twelfth day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and by the 25th section of the said Act, the period for the completion of the Railway authorised by the said Act was limited to the twelfth day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and it is expedient that these periods should be extended:

And whereas the purposes aforesaid cannot be accomplished 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:

1. This Act may be cited for any purpose as "The Watton and Swaffham Railway Act, 1872." Short title.

2. Part II. of "The Railways Clauses Act, 1863," relating to extension of time, is incorporated with and forms part of this Act. Part of 26 & 27 Vict. c. 92. incorporated.

3. The powers of the recited Act with respect to the compulsory purchase or taking of lands are hereby extended, and shall continue Extending time for the

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in force until the first day of August one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

purchase of lands.

Extending time for completion of works.

4. The time granted by the recited Act for constructing and completing the railway thereby authorised shall be extended until the first day of August one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and the twenty-third section of the Act of 1869, shall be read and construed as if the extended period had been originally named in that Act.

Time limited for completion of railway.

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

Deposit for future Bills not to be paid out of Company's capital.

6. The Company shall not, out of any money which they are by the recited Act authorised to raise, pay, or deposit any sum of money, which by any standing order of either House of Parliament, now in force or hereafter to be in force, may be required to be deposited in respect of any application to Parliament for the purpose of obtaining an Act authorising the Company to construct any railway, or to execute any other work or undertaking.

Railway not exempt from provisions of present and future general Acts.

7. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to exempt the railway of the Company, or the Company, from the provisions of any general Act relating to railways, or to the better and more impartial audit of the accounts of railway companies, now in force or which may hereafter pass during this or any future session of Parliament, or from any future revision and alteration, under the authority of Parliament, of the maximum rates of fares and charges, or of the rates for small parcels, authorised to be taken by the Company.

Expenses of Act.

8. All the costs, charges, and expenses of obtaining and passing this Act, or incident thereto, shall be paid by the Company.

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