

Stockton and Darlington, South Durham and Lancashire Union, Eden Valley, and Frosterley and Stanhope Railway Companies.

(Amalgamation and Transfer; Confirmation of Agreements; Amendment of Acts.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament, in the next session, for an Act for the Union and Amalgamation from and after such period, and upon such terms and conditions as may have been, or may hereafter be agreed upon, or as may be fixed, ascertained, and determined in, by, or under the provisions of the said intended Act of the South Durham and Lancashire Union Railway Company, and the Eden Valley Railway Company, or either of such Companies with the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company, and for the union and consolidation into one undertaking of the several undertakings of the three Companies united and amalgamated, so that all the undertakings, property, estate and effects, rights, powers, and privileges of what nature or kind soever; and whether with reference to the levying of tolls, rates, and duties or otherwise vested in, and belonging to, or exercised and enjoyed by the Companies so united and amalgamated, severally or jointly, at the time of such amalgamation, may be vested in and belong to, and be exercised and enjoyed by, the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company.

And the intended Act will provide for the dissolution of the South Durham and Lancashire Union and the Eden Valley Railway Companies, or of such one of them as may be party to such amalgamation, and for the incorporation of the Shareholders therein respectively with the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company and its Shareholders, and for fixing, regulating, altering, and enlarging the capital stock, and borrowing powers of the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company, and the rights, privileges, preferences, and priorities of the different shareholders, and of the different classes of shareholders; as amongst each other respectively, in the capital stock of the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company, and for the fulfilment by or for the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company of all or some of the contracts, agreements, or arrangements entered into by the Companies, parties to such amalgamation, jointly or severally, or otherwise howsoever, and capable of taking effect at the period of such union and amalgamation.

And the intended Act will also provide for the transfer to the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company from and after such period, whether prior to the amalgamation therewith of the South Durham and Lancashire Union and Eden Valley Railway Companies, or either of them, or subsequent thereto, and upon such terms and conditions as may have been, or may hereafter be agreed upon, or as may be fixed, ascertained, and determined in, by, or under the provisions of the intended Act of the undertaking, railways, property, estate, and effects of the Frosterley and Stanhope Railway Company, and all or any of the rights, powers, and privileges of the Frosterley and Stanhope Railway Company, whether with reference to the levying of tolls, rates, and charges or otherwise, and whether with reference to any completed or non-completed parts of the said undertaking, and also the benefit of and obligation to fulfil all or any contracts and agreements entered into by or on behalf of the Frosterley and Stanhope Railway Company with any other com-

pany, body or person, and the said Act will also provide for the dissolution of the Frosterley and Stanhope Railway Company, and for the winding up of its affairs.

And the intended Act will also provide for the mortgage and bond, or other debts of the Companies parties to such amalgamation and transfer respectively, and the security of the holders of such mortgages and bonds, and of other creditors, and will also contain provisions altering and varying and (if need be) increasing the tolls, rates, and duties now leviabie by the Companies, parties to such amalgamation and transfer respectively, or any or either of them respectively in respect of their respective undertakings, from and, after the date of such union and consolidation and transfer respectively.

And the said intended Act will also empower the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company to raise additional capital, by the creation of new shares or stock, with or without a preference or other guaranteed dividend or other rights or privileges attached thereto for the purposes of the said intended Act, or other the purposes of the Company, and to allot and appropriate all or any of such additional shares or stock to and amongst the shareholders or some of them in the Companies parties to the proposed amalgamation, or to guarantee to such shareholders, or some of them the payment of dividends or interest on their shares, or stock at a rate agreed, or to be agreed upon, or to be specified in the intended Act, and to make arrangements with such shareholders for the purchase, redemption, exchange, or alteration of their respective shares or stock and to raise money for the purpose.

And the said intended Act will provide for carrying into effect, with such alterations (if any) as may hereafter be agreed upon, or required, or sanctioned by Parliament the terms and conditions of all existing agreements between the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company and all, or any, or either of such other Companies as aforesaid, with reference to the proposed amalgamation and transfer respectively.

And it is further proposed, by the said intended Act, to alter, amend, extend, and enlarge the powers and provisions of the several Acts following or some of them; that is to say: "The Stockton and Darlington Railway Amalgamation Act, 1858;" "The Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Line, &c.) Act, 1858;" "The Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Act, 1858;" "The Stockton and Darlington Railway Act, 1859;" "The Stockton and Darlington Railway Act, 1860;" "The Stockton and Darlington Railway (Capital) Act, 1861;" "The Stockton and Darlington Railway (Works) Act, 1861," "The South Durham and Lancashire Union Railway Act, 1857;" "The South Durham and Lancashire Union Railway Deviation Act, 1859;" "The Eden Valley Railway Act, 1858;" and "The Frosterley and Stanhope Railway Act," 1861;" or otherwise to repeal all or some of the said Acts, and consolidate the powers and provisions thereof, and of the intended Act or some of them into one Act.

And notice is hereby also given, that on or before the twenty-third day of December next printed copies of the intended Act will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons.

Dated the 12th day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

Hutchinson and Lucas, Darlington;
Solicitors to the Bill.