

1856," "The Victoria Docks Gas Act, 1857," and "The Victoria Docks Gas Extension Act, 1861."

To confirm and give effect to any agreement or agreements between the Company and each or any of the other Gas Companies hereinbefore mentioned or referred to for or with respect to all or any of the purposes aforesaid.

To empower the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company, by themselves or their nominees, to take and hold shares in, and to subscribe towards the undertaking of the Company and to guarantee to or for the Company interest dividend, annual or other payments on shares and stock, and the principal and interest of any loan, and to advance and lend money to the Company, and for those purposes to raise money by the creation of new shares or stock in their undertaking, with or without preference or priority or guarantee in payment of interest or dividend or other special privileges, and by borrowing on mortgage or bond.

And notice is hereby also given, that on or before the 30th day of November instant, plans and sections relating to the objects of the intended Act, with a book of reference to such plans, and a copy of this Notice, as published in the London Gazette, will be deposited with the Clerk of the Peace for the county of Kent, at his office, in Maidstone, with the Clerk of the Peace for the county of Essex, at his office, in Chelmsford, and with the Clerk of the Peace for the county of Middlesex, at his office, at the Sessions House, Clerkenwell; and that on or before the same day a copy of this notice, as published aforesaid, and also a copy of the said plans, sections, and book of reference will be deposited as follows, that is to say:—as regards the parishes of Barking, East Ham, and West Ham, with the respective parish clerks of those parishes at their several places of abode; the parish of Woolwich, with the Clerk of the Plumstead and Lewisham District Board of Works, at his office at Woolwich; the parishes of Saint Leonard, Bromley, and All Saints, Poplar, with the Clerk of the Poplar District Board of Works, at his office in the East India-road; the parish of St. Ann, Limehouse, and the hamlet of Ratcliff, with the Clerk of the Limehouse District Board of Works, at his office in Commercial-road East; the parish of St. Mary, Whitechapel, with the Clerk of the Whitechapel District, at his office in Great Alie-street, Whitechapel; the parish of Saint George's-in-the-East, with the Vestry Clerk of the said parish, at his office in Back-road; and the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, with the Vestry Clerk thereof, at his office in Bancroft-road.

And notice is hereby also given, that on or before the 22nd day of December next, printed copies of the intended Act will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons.

Dated this 1st day of October, 1867.

John Orwell Phillips,
Secretary to the Company.

In Parliament—Session 1868.

Metropolitan Gas Companies Amalgamation. (Amalgamation of all or some of the Metropolitan Gas Companies; Regulations as to Capital and New Capital; Powers as to Land Compensation and Superannuation, Colliers, Collieries, &c.; Amendment of Acts; and other purposes.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing session for an Act or Acts to amalgamate

or provide for the amalgamation or union into one Company, or into two, three, or four Companies, of the following Metropolitan Gas Companies, or some of them (that is to say), the Gas Light and Coke Company, the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company, the Commercial Gas Light and Coke Company, the Equitable Gas Light Company, the Great Central Gas Consumers Company, the Imperial Gas Light and Coke Company, the Independent Gas Light and Coke Company, the London Gas Light Company, the Phoenix Gas Light and Coke Company, the Ratcliff Gas Light and Coke Company, the Surrey Consumers Gas Company, the South Metropolitan Gas Light and Coke Company, and the Western Gas Light Company (Limited); and for such purpose to dissolve all or some of the Companies so to be amalgamated (hereinafter referred to under the expression "The Amalgamating Companies"), and to incorporate a new Company, or two, three, or four new Companies, and to vest or provide for the vesting in the new Company, or each of the new Companies respectively, all or some or some part or parts respectively of the undertakings, works, buildings, lands, machinery, mains, pipes, plant property, and effects of every description of the Amalgamating Companies, and all or some of the rights, powers, and privileges of or belonging to or enjoyed by the amalgamating Companies respectively, of what nature or kind soever, including the making and recovering of the rates, rents, and charges now leviable by those Companies, or any of them, or other rates, rents, and charges in lieu thereof, and for enabling the new Company, or each new Company, to use, exercise, and enjoy all or any of those rights, powers, and privileges.

And it is also intended by the said Act or Acts to extend, contract, define, and fix, or provide for the extension, contraction, and fixing of the limits of the district of the new Company or of each new Company, and to provide for the regulation, fixing, and determining of the capital and borrowing powers of the new Company or of each new Company, and the rights, privileges, preferences, and priorities of the proprietors therein, and of the different classes of such proprietors, as amongst themselves, in the capital of the new Company or of each new Company, and the application of the revenues of the new Company or of each new Company, from whatever source derived, and the fulfilment and discharge by the new Company or by each new Company of all or some of the contracts, agreements, or arrangements entered into and liabilities incurred by the Amalgamating Companies, or any of them, or in any way relating to or affecting the limits or district of the new Company or of each new Company, or any part or parts thereof, or the supply of gas therein.

And it is also intended by the said Act or Acts to make provisions with respect to all or some of the mortgage or bond, or other debts of all or some of the Amalgamating Companies respectively, and for the security of all or some of their respective creditors.

And it is also proposed by the said Act or Acts to enable the new Company, or each new Company, to raise more money, by the creation of preference, ordinary, or debenture shares or stock and by mortgage, or by all or any of those means.

And it is proposed by the said Act or Acts to confer powers upon the new Company, or each new Company, to purchase more lands for the purposes of their undertaking, and for making available for such purposes all or any lands vested in any of the amalgamated Companies, or in