

trustees for them, or otherwise belonging to them, and to repeal all restrictions, parliamentary or otherwise, against the use or application for any such purposes of all or any such lands.

And it is proposed by the said Act or Acts to make provision or authorise and empower the new Company, or each new Company, to make provision for the compensation or superannuation of all or any of the directors, officers, and servants of the amalgamating Companies, or some of them, and for the establishment of a superannuation fund or superannuation allowances for the officers or servants of the new Company or of each new Company.

And it is proposed by the said Act or Acts to empower the new Company, or each new Company, to purchase or take on lease, hire, hold, and work collier ships, lighters, and vessels, coal mines and collieries, with all such other powers as may be necessary, proper, or useful for enabling each such Company to procure coals and other materials for the manufacture of gas, at a cheap rate, or which would otherwise tend directly or indirectly to improve the quality and reduce the price of gas.

And it is also intended by the said Act or Acts to authorize all or any two or more of the Amalgamating Companies to enter into any agreement or agreements in relation to any of the matters aforesaid, and to confirm all or any such agreements as may have been or may be entered into prior to the passing of the intended Act or Acts, and to vary or extinguish all existing rights or privileges which might in any way prevent or interfere with any of the objects of the intended Act or Acts, and to confer other rights and privileges, and to make such other provisions as may be necessary, proper, or convenient for carrying out the objects of the intended Act or Acts.

And it is further intended by the said Act or Acts to alter, amend, extend, consolidate, and enlarge or repeal the whole or some of the powers and provisions of the several local and personal Acts of Parliament following, or some of them; that is to say:—50 Geo. III., cap. 163; 54 Geo. III., cap. 116; 56 Geo. III., cap. 87; 59 Geo. III., cap. 20; 4 Geo. IV., cap. 119; and all other Acts relating to the Gas Light and Coke Company; 57 Geo. III., cap. 23; 22 and 23 Vic., cap. 52; and all other Acts relating to the City of London Gas Light and Coke Company; 1 and 2 Geo. IV., cap. 74; 10 Geo. IV., cap. 127; 10 and 11 Vic., cap. 53; 13 and 14 Vic., cap. 82; 15 and 16 Vic., cap. 155; 19 and 20 Vic., cap. 59; and all other Acts relating to the Commercial Gas Light and Coke Company; 5 and 6 Vic., cap. 36; and all other Acts relating to the Equitable Gas Light Company; 14 and 15 Vic., cap. 69; and all other Acts relating to the Great Central Gas Consumers Company; "The Imperial Gas Act, 1854;" "The Imperial Gas Act, 1866;" and all other Acts relating to the Imperial Gas Light and Coke Company; 10 Geo. IV., cap. 118; 27 and 28 Vic., cap. 162; and all other Acts relating to the Independent Gas Light and Coke Company; 15 and 16 Vic., cap. 82; 20 and 21 Vic., cap. 73; "The London Gas Light Act, 1866;" and all other Acts relating to the London Gas Light Company; 5 Geo. IV., cap. 78; 27 and 28 Vic., cap. 159; and all other Acts relating to the Phoenix Gas Light and Coke Company; 4 Geo. IV., cap. 98; 17 and 18 Vic., cap. 213; 18 and 19 Vic., cap. 12; and all other Acts relating to the Ratcliff Gas Light and Coke Company; 15 and 16 Vic., cap. 42; 17 and 18 Vic., cap. 94; 18 and 19 Vic., cap. 186; 26 and 27 Vic., cap. 37; and all other Acts

relating to the Surrey Consumers Gas Company; 5 and 6 Vic., cap. 79; 28 and 29 Vic., cap. 14; and all other Acts relating to the South Metropolitan Gas Light and Coke Company; and the several articles of association of, and all Acts relating to, the Western Gas Light Company (Limited); and to repeal or alter certain of the provisions of "The Metropolis Gas Act, 1860."

And notice is hereby also given, that on or before the 23rd day of December, 1867, printed copies of the intended Act or Acts will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons.

Dated the 1st day of October, 1867.

Baxter, Rose, Norton, and Co.,
6, Victoria-street, Westminster,
Solicitors.

Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852.

Office of the Commissioners of Patents for
2745. Inventions.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the petition of Thomas Prideaux, of Sheffield, in the county of York, praying for letters patent for the invention of "improvements in blast furnaces or cupolas," was deposited and recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 28th day of September, 1867, and a complete specification accompanying such petition was at the same time filed in the said office.

Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852.

Office of the Commissioners of Patents for
2758. Inventions.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the petition of Henri Adrien Bonneville, of the British and Foreign Patent Offices, 24, Rue du Mont Thabor, Paris, in the Empire of France, and 38, Porchester-terrace, Bayswater, in the county of Middlesex, Patent Agent, praying for letters patent for the invention of "improvements in machinery for spinning wool and other fibrous materials,"—a communication from Auguste Seguiet, a person resident at Foix, in the Empire of France aforesaid, Manufacturer—was deposited and recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 1st day of October, 1867, and a complete specification accompanying such petition was at the same time filed in the said office.

Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852.

Office of the Commissioners of Patents for
Inventions.

NOTICE is hereby given, that provisional protection has been allowed—

1627. To Wilmot Bradford, of the Junior United Service Club, in the county of Middlesex, Colonel in Her Majesty's Service, for the invention of "an improved combination of wood and textile substance for the construction of boats, baths, and other vessels to be folded up for carriage."

On his petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 1st day of June, 1867.

1733. To Francis Bryan Baker and Leonard Lindley, Lace Dyers and Dressers, both of Sherwood-street, Nottingham, for the invention of "improvements in stretching or tentering, and in dressing or finishing lace or other fabrics, and in machinery or apparatus employed therein."

On their petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 13th day of June, 1867.