Companies as one united and consolidated Company, and to provide (if deemed expedient) for the dissolution of both, or either, of the said Companies.

The intended Act will alter, amend, extend, and enlarge, or repeal so far as may be necessary for the purposes thereof, all or some of the provisions of the Windermere District Gas Act, 1862.

And notice is hereby also given, that on or before the 30th day of November, in the present year, plans and sections relating to the purposes of the intended Act, 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 Westmorland, at his office at Appleby, and that on or before the same day, a copy of the said plans, sections, and book of reference, and a copy of this notice, published as aforesaid, will be deposited with the parish clerk of the parish of Windermere, at his residence.

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

Dated this 11th day of November, 1868.

T. A. and J. Grundy and Co., Manchester,
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Oswaldtwistle Local Board.

(Power to manufacture and supply Gas, purchase, lease, &c., Gasworks, Pipes, &c., and other Gas powers; provisions as to Water Supply, Nuisances, Townhall, Baths, and other public buildings; Street Improvements, Markets and Fairs, Purchase of Lands, Tolls, Rates, &c.; Borrowing of Money, Amendment of Acts).

OTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament, in the ensuing session, for an Act for the following purposes, or some of them, that is to say:—

To confer on the local board of the district of Oswaldtwistle, in the county of Lancaster (hereinafter called the local board) powers to manufacture and supply gas for public and private purposes, within the said district, and the several townships, hamlets, or places of Church and Accrington, all in the parish of Whalley, or some parts thereof. Also, to authorize the local board to purchase, or take on lease and hold, and to enable the Oswaldtwistle Gas Company (Limited), to sell, lease, or transfer to the local board, the undertaking, lands, buildings, works, mains, pipes, approaches, rights, privileges, and easements of or belonging to or possessed or enjoyed by the Company, whose lands so to be purchased or leased on parts whereof they are about to construct works for the manufacture of gas) are situate in the township of Church, and parish of Whalley aforesaid, and are known by the name of "Blenkinsop's Meadow," bounded on the northerly side by the turnpike road leading from Blackburn to Accrington, on the westerly side by a certain brook there situate, called Foxhill Bank Brook, on the southerly side by certain lands, the pro-perty of John Tomlinson and William Jackson, and on the easterly side partly by certain lands the property of William Woods, Thomas Duxbury, and Daniel Thwaites, and partly by a road leading from the old road from Oswaldtwistle to Enfield to the turnpike road aforesaid.

And to provide for the winding-up of the affairs of the said Company, upon any such purchase being effected, and for the application of the purchase money.

Also to enable the local board to purchase the mains and pipes now laid within the said district' under an agreement with the Accrington Gas and Water Works Company, for the purpose of lighting the district of the local board, and now belonging to the said Company; and to enable the local board to make agreements with the owners of any other gas works, now existing or hereafter to be constructed, within or adjoining the district and the several townships, hamlets, and places of Church and Accrington, for the purchase of their plant, pipes, and distributing apparatus, and to use the same, and to confer upon the Accrington Gas and Water Works Company, and all other companies and persons, all or any such powers or authorities as may be necessary, proper, or convenient, for transferring and vesting any such gas works, pipes, works, or property as aforesaid, in the local board.

Also, to enable the local board to break up streets, roads, passages, and ways, and to lay down and remove mains, pipes, plugs, and other works and appliances within the parish, townships, and places aforesaid, or any of them, and to have and exercise all such other powers, authorities, rights, and privileges as are usually conferred upon public bodies supplying gas, or which might be useful for enabling them effectually to carry out the said undertaking.

Also, to empower the local board to supply gas by agreement to persons outside their prescribed limits of supply.

Also, to authorise the local board to convert, manufacture, sell, and dispose of coke, coal, tar, and residual products, and to take licenses of patent rights, and to manufacture, sell, and let meters, fittings, and other apparatus, and to make contracts or agreements with any persons or corporations in relation thereto.

Also, to enable the local board to make, levy, and receive rates, rents, and charges for or in respect of the supply of gas, and for the sale and hire of meters and fittings, and for the public lighting of any streets, roads, lanes, or places within the district of the local board, or within the several parishes, townships, hamlets, and places before mentioned, or some of them, and to alter existing rates, rents, and charges, and to confer, vary, or extinguish exemptions from the payment of rates, rents, and charges.

Also, to confer on the local board powers for regulating the supply of water within the district, and to impose and enforce payment of penalties for the waste or misuse of same.

Also, to empower the local board to supply water by agreement to persons outside their prescribed limits of supply.

Also, to empower the local board to make byelaws for the good rule and government of the district, and for the prevention and permanent suppression of nuisances and annoyances not already punishable or preventible by any Act of Parliament now in force within the district.

Also, to authorise the Local Board to erect a townhall, board-room, and offices, public baths and wash-houses, buildings for public purposes, with all necessary offices, works, and conveniences attached thereto or connected therewith respectively, and from time to time to lease or otherwise let the same, or any portions thereof, respectively.

Also, to authorise the Local Board to purchase, by compulsion or agreement, the following land and buildings, in the said parish of Whalley and township of Oswaldtwistle, for the purpose of removing such buildings or parts thereof respectively, and improving the road or street, that