

dividends or interest, or other rights or privileges attached thereto, over their existing and authorised capital, or by borrowing on mortgage or bond, or by both of those means, or by such other means as Parliament shall authorise or direct; and to appoint directors in the undertaking of the Company.

To enable the Company and the North British Railway Company to enter into agreements, and to confirm any agreements already made, or which, prior to the passing of the said Bill, may be made, for the purchase and acquisition by the Company from the North British Railway Company of the ferry upon or across the Firth of Forth, established under the Acts 11 George IV, and 1 William IV, chapter 115, intituled "An Act for the further improvement and support of the passage across the Frith of Forth, called the Queensferry," and "The Queensferry Passage Improvement Act, 1848," or either of them, and all the piers, harbours, works, accessess, lands, houses, and property, including Port Edgar Pier connected therewith or belonging thereto, and the right of working the said ferry, and all the other rights and interests of the said North British Railway Company, in or relating to the said ferry as now held, possessed, exercised, and enjoyed by the said North British Railway Company, under a disposition and conveyance in favour of the said Company by the trustees acting under the said Acts, dated on or about the 30th day of March, 1869, and registered in the General Register of Sasines the 12th day of April, 1869.

To enable the Company to raise money for the purposes of the Bill and for the general purposes of their undertaking by the creation and issue of shares or by stock and by borrowing, and attach to any of the shares or stock to be created under the powers of the Bill such rights, privileges, advantages, preferences, and priorities, and to issue such shares and stock upon such terms and conditions as the Bill may define, and to define and regulate the capital of the Company.

To enable the Company to divide all or some of the shares and stock in their capital into half-shares, and to attach to all or such proportion of such half-shares a preference or priority on the payment of dividend or interest or other special rights and privileges.

To enable the Company to create and issue debenture stock.

To authorise the making and carrying into effect of arrangements between the magistrates and the town councils of the royal burghs of South Queensferry, Inverkeithing, Dunfermline, and Burntisland, and the North British Railway Company, or any or either of them, and other persons and corporations interested and the Company, with respect to any customs or duties claimed to be payable to the said respective magistrates and town councils or to the said North British Railway and other corporations and persons, or any or either of them, in respect of the traffic passing through the said burghs or any of them, and which may be conveyed on the said intended railways and works, or any of them, and for the lease of such duties and customs to the Company, and for the composition of the same for a fixed or annual sum, and to empower the Company in terms of any such agreement to levy the said duties and customs.

The Bill will vary and extinguish all existing rights and privileges inconsistent with, or which would in any way interfere with, any of its objects, and will confer other rights and privileges; and it will incorporate with itself the necessary provisions of "The Companies Clauses Consolidation

(Scotland) Act, 1845," "The Companies Clauses Act, 1863;" "The Companies Clauses Act, 1869," "The Lands Clauses Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1845;" "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts Amendment Act, 1860;" "The Railways Clauses Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1845;" "The Railways Clauses Act, 1863;" "The Railway Companies Powers Act, 1864;" "The Railway Companies (Scotland) Act, 1867;" "The Regulation of Railways Act, 1868;" "The Commissioners Clauses Act, 1847."

And it is proposed by the Bill to repeal, alter, or amend certain of the provisions of "The North British, Edinburgh, Perth, and Dundee, and West of Fife Railways Amalgamation Act, 1862," and of the several Acts of Parliament following, or some of them, relating to the North British Railway Company, and the undertakings belonging to, amalgamated with, or held on lease by, or vested in that Company, that is to say—49 Geo. III, cap. 83; 54 Geo. III, cap. 138; 57 Geo. III, cap. 56; 59 Geo. III, cap. 29; 1 and 2 Geo. IV, cap. 122; 4 Geo. IV, cap. 18; 5 Geo. IV, cap. 49; 7 Geo. IV, caps. 45 and 98; 10 Geo. IV, cap. 122; 11 Geo. IV, and 1 Will. IV, cap. 115; 3 and 4 Will. IV, cap. 114; 4 and 5 Will. IV, cap. 71; 5 and 6 Will. IV, caps. 55 and 97; 6 and 7 Will. IV, cap. 131; 2 and 3 Vict., caps. 51, 57, 59, and 70; 4 and 5 Vict., cap. 59; 6 and 7 Vict., cap. 55; 7 and 8 Vict., cap. 66; 8 and 9 Vict., cap. 148; 9 Vict., cap. 57; 9 and 10 Vict., caps. 81, 107, 202, 263, 332, and 377; 10 and 11 Vict., caps. 83, 245, and 246; 11 and 12 Vict., caps. 44, 70, 116, 118, 127, 134 (and the several Acts therein recited, in so far as not repealed thereby), and 160; 12 and 13 Vict., caps. 39, 72, and 86; 14 Vict., cap. 27; 14 and 15 Vict., caps. 55 (and the provisions unrepealed of the Acts referred to in the schedule of such Act) and 62; 15 Vict., cap. 109; 16 and 17 Vict., caps. 90, 151, and 152; 17 and 18 Vict., caps. 199 and 212; 18 and 19 Vict., caps. 30, 127, 153, 158, and 190; 19 and 20 Vict., caps. 93 and 106; 20 and 21 Vict., caps. 78, 91, 124, and 129; 21 and 22 Vict., caps. 64, 65, 109 (and the provisions unrepealed of the Acts referred to in the schedule of such Act), 145, and 165; 22 and 23 Vict., caps. 14, 24, 83, 85, and 96; 23 and 24 Vict., caps. 140, 145, 159, 178, and 195; 24 and 25 Vict., caps. 84, 102, 114, 131, 177, 186, 195, 198, 214, 226 and 248; 25 and 26 Vict., caps. 47, 48, 49, 51, 135, 138, 142, 145, 181, and 189; 26 and 27 Vict., caps. 187, 194, 213, 223, 226, and 237; 27 and 28 Vict., caps. 81, 84, 100, 248, 271, 279, 286, and 292; 28 and 29 Vict., caps. 125, 152, 186, 200, 201, 202, 206, 213, 217, 303, 309, 323, and 356; 29 and 30 Vict., caps. 171, 172, 173, 200, 219, 266, 277, 285, 291, 326, 329, 341, and 355; 30 and 31 Vict., caps. 145 and 198; 31 and 32 Vict., caps. 63 and 139; 32 and 33 Vict. cap. 119; 33 and 34 Vict., caps. 91, 104, and 135; 34 and 35 Vict., cap. 106; and the 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 123; and all other Acts relating to the North British Railway Company, the North British Arbroath and Montrose Railway Act 1871; the North British, Arbroath, and Montrose Railway Act, 1872; Acts relating to the Devon Valley Railway Company, 21 and 22 Vict., cap. 122; 24 and 25 Vict., cap. 200; 26 and 27 Vict., cap. 124; 29 and 30 Vict., caps. 277 and 326; 31 and 32 Vict., cap. 2; 34 and 35 Vict., cap. 106; and all other Acts (if any) relating to the Devon Valley Railway Company; Acts relating to the Edinburgh and Bathgate Railway Company, 9 and 10 Vict., cap. 332; 10 and 11 Vict., cap. 246; 11 and 12 Vict., caps. 116 and 160; 34 and 35 Vict., cap. 91, and all other Acts (if any) relating to the Edinburgh and Bath-