

In Parliament—Session 1884.

Croydon Corporation.

(Creation of Consolidated Stock, Conversion of Existing Loans and Debts into Stock; General Financial Arrangements, Application of Funds, Construction and Acquisition of Water Works; Improved Supply of Water; Acquisition of Lands; Agreement with the Lambeth Water Works Company as to the Purchase of a Portion of their Undertaking and Works; Provisions relating to the Supply of Water; Collection and Recovery of Water Rates; Establishment and Regulation of Markets and Fairs; Telegraphic or Telephonic communication between Fire Stations, Establishments, and Offices; Repair of Private Roads; Regulations as to Hackney Carriages, Omnibuses, and Public Vehicles, and other Provisions for the Good Government of the Borough; To provide for Superannuation Allowances; and for the Repeal or Alteration of certain Acts, and other Purposes.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the next Session, by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Croydon, acting by the Council (hereinafter called "the Corporation"), for an Act to effect the purposes, and to confer the powers and privileges following, or some of them (that is to say):—

To authorise and provide for the consolidation and conversion into one or more stock or stocks of all or some of the loans, mortgages, and other securities and liabilities raised, granted, or incurred by the Corporation, or by the Croydon Local Board of Health (hereinafter called "the Local Board"), or hereafter to be raised or granted by the Corporation under statutory powers, or under the powers of any Act of Parliament, or the order of any public department of the State, now or hereafter in force within the borough of Croydon, or otherwise, and to authorise the creation and issue for that purpose of consolidated or other stock, annuities (perpetual or otherwise), or upon and subject to such terms and conditions as may be prescribed or provided for by the Bill, and to make provision with reference to the repayment of the said existing loans, mortgages or other securities, and the sinking funds (if any) applicable thereto; and if thought fit, to extend the periods for such repayment, to make other provisions as to or in lieu of sinking funds, or to convert all or any part of such loans, mortgages, or other securities and liabilities into a permanent debt by the issue of stock, or other securities of an equal, less, or greater amount in lieu of such loans, mortgages, or other securities and liabilities.

To authorise the corporation to raise by the creation and issue of such consolidated or other stock or securities as aforesaid, the whole or any part of the moneys which they now are, or may hereafter by any Act to be passed in the ensuing or any future Session of Parliament, or under the order of any public department, be authorised to raise.

To charge the said stock, or other securities, upon all or any of the estates and property of the Corporation, and the rates, revenues, and other securities upon which the Corporation are or may be authorised to raise money, including the borough rates and borough fund, and the general district rates of the Corporation, acting as the Urban Sanitary Authority.

To authorise the investment of trust funds in the consolidated or other stock, annuities and other securities of the Corporation, and to exempt the Corporation from liability in respect of notice of any trust affecting money advanced to them

or affecting such stock, annuities, or other securities.

To empower the Corporation to enter into and fulfil contracts and agreements with the Bank of England, or any other bank, companies, or persons for and in relation to the issue and transfer of and the payment of interest upon the said stock, and for the keeping at such bank or elsewhere, of all or any registers, books of account and documents of or in relation thereto.

To empower any person holding any stock, annuity, or security of the Corporation, and being a person enabled by "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845" (Section 7), to sell land, to consent to the conversion of such stock, annuity, or security into the consolidated stock of the Corporation.

To make provision for the granting of stock certificate with coupons entitling the bearer to the dividends, and for the transfer of stock by the delivery of stock certificates.

To provide for the formation of a fund for the purposes of paying the dividends and redemption of stock, and for contributions to such fund from the several funds, account, revenues, tolls, rents, and rates of the Corporation.

To declare any perpetual annuities or other securities, granted or to be granted by the Corporation, under any statutory powers to be personal estate.

To make provision with reference to the exemption from stamp duty of transfers of such consolidated or other stock, on such terms and subject to such other payments by way of composition for stamp duty, as may be prescribed or authorised by the Bill.

On the sale of lands or property of the Corporation charged with the said stock or other securities, to free such lands and property from such charge.

To empower the Corporation to pay out of their funds, rates and revenues, and out of moneys to be raised by the issue of such stock and securities as aforesaid, the expenses of improving the condition of the main roads of the borough, and the expenses of adapting the corporate buildings to the purposes of the Corporation, and the expenses of and incidental to the preparing and passing of the said Bill, and for the general purposes of the Corporation.

To authorise the Corporation to make and levy additional, and to alter existing, rates, rents, duties, and charges, and to confer exemptions from the payment of rates, rents, duties, and charges, and to alter, amend, and extend the powers of the Corporation as to the making of assessments and the levying and recovering of rates, rents, duties, and charges, and as to the raising of money on the security thereof.

To empower the Corporation to make and maintain, with all necessary approaches, embankments, roads, wells, drains, sluices, culverts, mains, pipes, engines and all works and conveniences necessary for the supply of water within the limits of supply hereinafter mentioned, the water works and other works hereinafter mentioned, or some of them, or some part or parts thereof respectively, all in the county of Surrey, that is say:—

A.—A well with all necessary adits, headings, and borehole, and pumping station, with pumping engines, engine and boiler-houses, tanks, and other works, dwelling-houses and other buildings and fences, to be situated in the parish of Addington, in the county of Surrey, upon the field called Bottomfield, in the occupation of Henry Still, lying on the north side of, and contiguous to, an occupation-road leading to