

and lying on the south side of and adjoining the Bridgewater Canal, and bounded on the north or north-west side thereof by the said canal and property belonging or reputed to belong to the Bridgewater Navigation Company, Limited; on the west side thereof by property belonging or reputed to belong to the trustees of the Duke of Bridgewater; on the south side thereof by the public highway known as the Halton-road, leading from Runcorn to Warrington; and on the east side thereof by land belonging or reputed to belong to the executors of the late William Henry Ockleston.

Secondly.—A piece of land containing 2 roods and 12 perches or thereabouts, with the building thereon, known as Highfield House, situate in the said township of Runcorn, and parish of Runcorn, and county of Chester, and lying on the north side of the said Bridgewater Canal; and bounded on the south side thereof, by the road adjoining the towing-path of the said canal, and leading from Canal-street, Runcorn, to Bate's Bridge, Halton; on the west side thereof, by land belonging or reputed to belong to the trustees of the Duke of Bridgewater; and on the north and east sides thereof by land belonging or reputed to belong to the trustees of Mrs. Eliza Ann Kirkman.

And to authorise the Company on those lands, or part or parts thereof, to erect, construct, make, and maintain, and on the lands hereinafter described as the site of the Company's existing gas works, to maintain and continue, and as regards all such lands from time to time extend, enlarge, and improve gas works, and works for the manufacture, distribution, storage, and supply of gas, and for the manufacture, conversion, utilization, storage, and distribution of materials used in and about the manufacture of gas and of residual products resulting from such manufacture, and to empower the Company on and from all such lands to manufacture, store, and supply gas, and to manufacture, convert, utilise, distribute, and store such materials and residual products as aforesaid, and to extend and make applicable to, and to enable the Company to exercise, in respect of the beforementioned lands, and of the supply of gas therefrom, all or some of the provisions of the Act of 1847 as altered, amended, or enlarged by the Bill.

The site of the Company's existing gas works consists of the pieces of land hereinafter described (that is to say):—

First.—A piece of land containing 1,785 square yards or thereabouts, situate in the said township and parish of Runcorn, in the county of Chester, on the east side of Gas-street, and bounded on the westerly side thereof by that street, on the southerly, or south-easterly side thereof by the towing path of the Bridgewater Canal, on the easterly side thereof by a street known as Stone-street, and on the northerly side thereof by land belonging or reputed to belong to the Marquis of Cholmondeley.

Secondly.—A piece of land containing 2,609 square yards or thereabouts, situate in the said township and parish of Runcorn, on the west side of Gas-street, and bounded on the north side thereof by land belonging or reputed to belong to the said Marquis of Cholmondeley, on the east side thereof by Gas-street, on the south side thereof by land belonging or reputed to belong to the Runcorn Smelting Company, and on the west side thereof in part by Sutherland-street and on the remaining parts by land belonging or reputed to belong to the trustees of the United Methodist Free Church, and by land belonging or reputed to belong to the trustees of the Duke of Bridgewater respectively.

To amend or repeal section 7 of the Act of 1847, and to alter and define the limits within which the Company may supply gas, such limits to include the town of Runcorn, otherwise called Higher and Lower Runcorn, the township of Runcorn, and the townships or hamlets of Halton, Astmore, otherwise Astmore-with-Halton, Norton, Weston, Weston Point, and Clifton, otherwise Clifton with Rocksavage, in the county of Chester, or such of them, or such parts thereof as may be specified in the Bill.

To empower the Company, from time to time, to sell, exchange, let on lease, or otherwise to dispose of any lands at the time belonging to them, which they may not require for the purposes of their undertaking.

To give power to the Company within their limits of supply to lay down, maintain, use, alter, and renew mains, pipes, and other conveniences for the distribution, supply, and disposal of gas and residual products, and to open, break up, and interfere with streets, roads, highways, bridges, railways, canals, sewers, drains, and other passages and places, and gas and water, telegraphic, telephonic, and other pipes, wires and apparatus.

To authorise the Company to manufacture, purchase, hire, sell, let, supply, and deal in, and to fix, alter, remove and refix gas meters, fittings, gas engines, stoves, ranges, pipes, and other appliances and apparatus for lighting, heating, motive power, ventilating, cooking, and other purposes for which gas may be used, and to empower the Company to supply gas for any such purposes, and to manufacture, buy, sell, and deal in coal, lime, coke, tar, ammoniacal liquor, chemicals, and other materials used in or resulting from the manufacture of gas, and to carry on any business usually carried on by a gas company.

To regulate the price to be charged by the Company for gas, and the rate of dividends which they may divide, and, if thought fit, to provide for the variation of the rate of dividends according to the price charged for gas, and to make provision for the maintenance and formation of insurance and reserve funds to meet deficiencies in dividends, and accidents, strikes or other extraordinary claims and circumstances.

To make provision with respect to the purity, quality, and pressure of gas to be supplied by the Company, and the testing of gas and meters, the supply of gas and lamps for public lighting, and the erection, cleaning, lighting, extinguishing and repairing of such lamps.

To amend or repeal the provisions of the Act of 1847, with respect to the time of ordinary meetings, the scale of voting by shareholders, the number and quorum of directors, the number of directors to constitute, and the quorum of committees, the holding of proxies, the remuneration of directors, and such other matters relating to the regulation and management of the Company, as may be dealt with in the Bill; and to make other and further provisions in respect thereto, and to alter and fix the period of the year up to which the annual accounts of the Company shall be made up.

To vary and extinguish any rights and privileges connected with any lands, streets, roads, highways, canals, sewers, drains, pipes, wires, and other apparatus and property to be acquired or interfered with by the Company, and any other rights and privileges which would interfere with the objects and purposes of the Bill, and to confer all such rights and privileges as may be necessary or convenient for effecting such objects and purposes.

To authorise the Company to demand, levy, and recover rates, rents, and charges for the supply