

George the Martyr, with the clerk of the Board of Works for the Holborn District, at his office at the Holborn Town Hall, Gray's Inn-road; as regards the parish of St. George, Bloomsbury, with the clerk of the Board of Works for the St. Giles District, at his office, 197, High Holborn; and as regards the extra parochial place of the Court-house, with the Vestry Clerk of the adjoining parish of St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell, at his office, 58, Rosoman-street, Clerkenwell.

And notice is hereby further given, that before the 21st day of December in the present year, printed copies of the intended Act will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1884.

Hugh C. Godfray, 101, Finsbury Pavement, E.C., Solicitor for the Bill.

Sherwood and Co., 7, Great George-street, Westminster, S.W., Parliamentary Agents.

In Parliament.—Session 1885.

Portpatrick and Wigtownshire Railways.

(Transfer of Undertakings to the London and North Western, the Midland, the Caledonian, and the Glasgow and South Western Railway Companies; Vesting Undertakings in those Companies, or in a Joint Company or Joint Committee to be incorporated and appointed for the purposes of the Act; Defining Rights and Powers of Joint Company or Committee; Guarantee of Dividends to Shareholders of the Portpatrick Railway Company and of the Wigtownshire Railway Company; Provision for Dissolution of Portpatrick and Wigtownshire Railway Companies; Additional Money and other Powers to the London and North Western, the Midland, the Caledonian, and the Glasgow and South Western Railway Companies; Money Powers to the Joint Company or Joint Committee; Tolls, Rates, and Duties; Running Powers to the four Companies and the Joint Company or Joint Committee over portions of Caledonian and Glasgow and South Western, and over Portpatrick and Wigtownshire Railways; Powers to contribute to Steamboats; Powers to compound as to Town Dues or Petty Customs at Stranraer; Terminating Working Agreement with Caledonian Railway Company; Agreements with and Contribution to Superannuation Funds of the four Companies; Amendment or Repeal of Acts.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing session for an Act (hereinafter called "the intended Act") to effect the purposes following, or some of them (that is to say):—

1. To empower the Portpatrick Railway Company and the Wigtownshire Railway Company (hereinafter called "the Selling Companies"), or one of them, on the one hand, and the London and North Western Railway Company, the Midland Railway Company, the Caledonian Railway Company, and the Glasgow and South Western Railway Company (hereinafter called "the Purchasing Companies"), on the other hand, to enter into and carry into effect contracts, agreements, and arrangements with respect to the purchase, sale, lease, or transfer and vesting of the undertakings of the selling Companies or Company, and all the works, powers, rights, and interests of every description connected therewith, by, to, or in the purchasing Companies, and to provide for the ownership, use, enjoyment, or management by the purchasing Companies of the undertakings so purchased, sold, leased, or

transferred, and vested by, to, or in the purchasing Companies, subject to such terms and conditions as have been or may be agreed upon between the selling Companies, or Company, and the purchasing Companies, or as may be prescribed by the intended Act, and to confirm any contracts, agreements, and arrangements already made or to be made between the selling Companies or Company, and the purchasing Companies for effecting the purposes aforesaid, or any of them.

2. To provide for the vesting of the undertakings of the selling Companies or Company in the purchasing Companies, or in a joint committee to be appointed by the purchasing Companies; to provide for the incorporation of the purchasing Companies into a Company for the purpose of holding, maintaining, working and managing the same, under the name of the Portpatrick Joint Railway Company (hereinafter called the "Joint Company"), or such other name as may be prescribed by the intended Act, and generally for carrying out the purposes of any such agreements, or of the intended Act, or, if so determined, to provide for the incorporation of the joint committee for those purposes, and to confer upon the Joint Company or Joint Committee all necessary powers and authorities for holding, maintaining, working, and managing the undertakings of the selling Companies or Company, and to enable the purchasing Companies, or the Joint Company or Joint Committee to raise money by borrowing or otherwise, for the purposes of the intended Act.

3. To enable the purchasing Companies or the Joint Company or Joint Committee, to have and exercise all or some of the rights, powers, and privileges of the selling Companies or Company, including the powers to raise capital by shares and by loans, and to issue debenture stock, and either subject to or exonerated from all or any of the debts, liabilities, contracts, agreements, and engagements of the selling Companies or Company existing at the time of the passing of the intended Act.

4. To provide for such guarantees of interest or dividend on the existing shares of the selling Companies or Company as may be agreed on, or to provide for the cancelling of the shares or stocks of the selling Companies or Company, and to enable the purchasing Companies, or the Joint Company or Joint Committee, to issue new shares or stock in lieu thereof, with or without a preference or guaranteed dividend, or other rights, powers, or privileges attached thereto; to enable the purchasing Companies, or Joint Company or Joint Committee to pay off the mortgage debt or debentures of the selling Companies or Company, or to apportion the same among the purchasing Companies.

5. To apportion the amount of all costs and expenses connected with the undertakings of the selling Companies or Company, and the interest on money borrowed, and the annual payments to the shareholders of the selling Companies or Company, among the purchasing Companies, in such proportions as may be defined by the intended Act; and to enable the purchasing Companies, or the Joint Company, or Joint Committee, to levy tolls, rates, and duties; to alter existing tolls, rates, and duties; and to do and perform all other things in relation to the undertakings of the selling Companies, or Company, which the selling Companies or Company might have done or performed before the passing of the intended Act.

6. To enable the purchasing Companies respectively, for the purposes of any agreement,