

acquire by compulsion or agreement, and to hold lands and easements in and over lands in the township and parish aforesaid, in addition to the lands hereinbefore described, for all or any of the foregoing purposes and for the general purposes of their undertaking, and also to divert from the River Ribble, and to appropriate and use for the like purposes the water of the stream hereinbefore-mentioned.

To authorize the crossing, stopping up, altering or diverting, whether temporarily or permanently, of all public carriage and other roads, highways, railways, tramways, canals, rivers, streams, drains, sewers, pipes, and telegraphic and telephonic wires and apparatus within or adjoining to the before-mentioned township and parish which it may be necessary or convenient to cross, stop up, alter, or divert, in executing the several purposes of the intended Act.

To authorize deviations laterally and vertically from the lines and levels of any of the intended works as shown on the plans and sections to be deposited as hereinafter mentioned.

To empower the Company to supply and sell gas for public and private lighting, and for heating, cooking, and motive purposes, and to acquire, hold, and use patent rights or licences or authorities under letters patent for the use of inventions relative to the manufacture, conversion, utilization, distribution, and use of gas and of residual products, and to manufacture, provide, sell, hire out, and supply any cooking or heating apparatus, engines, machinery, fittings, appliances, and other things relating to the business of the Company, or the use of gas.

To confer upon the Company further powers with respect to laying down and maintaining mains, pipes, and apparatus, in and along streets not dedicated to the public use, and against buildings.

To empower the Company to run over and use with their engines, carriages, and waggons, and with their officers and servants, upon such terms and conditions and on payment of such tolls, rates, and charges as may be agreed upon or be settled by arbitration or defined or authorized by the intended Act, all or any of the sidings of the Corporation of Preston connected with their Ribble Navigation and Preston Docks, and up to and including the junction of the said sidings with the Ribble Branch Railway belonging to the said Corporation, and to the Lancashire and Yorkshire and London and North-Western Railway Companies, together with the stations, sidings, roads, water and watering-places, wharves, staiths, coal tips and shipping places, offices, warehouses, junctions, works, and conveniences connected therewith, and to require the said Corporation to receive, forward, accommodate, and deliver on and from their said sidings and works all traffic coming from or destined for the intended sidings or lines of rails of the Company upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed, settled, defined, or authorized as aforesaid.

To authorize agreements between the Company and the Corporation of Preston with reference to the execution, maintenance, and use of all or any of the works to be authorized by the intended Act, and with reference to the rights and interests of the said Corporation in the River Ribble and the banks, walls, and foreshore thereof, and with respect to the user by the Company of the sidings and works of the Corporation and the interchange and transmission of traffic between, to, and from such lastmentioned sidings and works and the sidings

and lines of rails to be authorized by the intended Act, and to confirm and give effect to any such agreement.

To empower the Company to enter into and carry into effect agreements for the supply of gas in bulk or otherwise, within or without their limits of supply, with any County Council, Corporation, Local Board, Urban or Rural Sanitary Authority, or Local or Road Authority, and any Railway or other Companies, and to confer all necessary powers in that behalf upon any such County Council, Corporation, Board, Authority, and Company, and enable them to apply for the purposes of any such agreement any funds, rates, or moneys which they have raised or may raise under any Act of Parliament, or otherwise:

To authorize the Company to demand, take, and recover rates, rents, and charges for the sale and supply of gas, and the sale and hire of stoves, cooking and heating apparatus, engines, machinery, meters, fittings, and other apparatus supplied or let by them, and to allow discounts, and to make different charges for gas supplied for different purposes, to alter and vary the rates, rents, or charges which the Company are or may be authorized to make, to confer, vary, or extinguish exemptions from the payment of such rates, rents, and charges, and to confer other rights and privileges.

To make further provision for securing the payment of gas rates, rents, and other charges made by the Company, and for the prepayment thereof in certain cases, and for exempting from liability to distress, engines, fittings, stoves, fires, machinery, and apparatus supplied or let by the Company, for the representation of the Company in bankruptcy and other proceedings, for the service of notices by and on the Company, for the registration and measuring of gas supplied, and for the protection of the gas works and property of the Company, and to impose penalties for any breach of such provisions.

To make further provision as to illuminating power of the gas supplied by the Company, and as to the burner and apparatus to be used for testing the same.

To make provision for enabling the Company to obtain powers to produce and supply electricity for lighting and other purposes, and to empower them to construct and acquire works, rights, and machinery for the purposes aforesaid, and to apply their capital or funds to all or any of those purposes, and to authorize and confirm agreements with reference thereto.

To empower the Company for the purposes aforesaid, or any of them, and for other the general purposes of the intended Act, and of their undertaking, to raise further capital and to create and issue new shares and stock and debenture stock, and to borrow further money, and to attach to such new shares and stock such guarantees, priorities, rights, privileges, exemptions, or advantages as may be found desirable, or as the intended Act may authorize, and to apply to all or any of the purposes of the intended Act any capital or funds belonging to the Company.

To vary or extinguish all rights and privileges which would in any manner impede or interfere with the objects of the intended Act, and to confer, vary, and extinguish other rights and privileges.

For the purposes aforesaid it is intended, so far as may be necessary, to alter, amend, extend, or repeal, all or some of the provisions of the Preston Gas Act, 1865, the Preston Gas Act, 1879, and any other Act relating to the Com-