

held at the Salutation Inn, Keyworth, in the county of Nottingham, on the ground that the Society has wilfully, and after notice from a Registrar, violated the provisions of the above-mentioned Act, in respect of the valuation of its assets and liabilities. The Society ceases to enjoy during such suspension the privileges of a registered Society, but without prejudice to any liability incurred by the Society, which may be enforced against it as if such suspension had not taken place. *E. W. Brabrook*, Chief Registrar.

#### Board of Trade.—Session 1896.

##### Cowes Electric Lighting.

(Application for a Provisional Order under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to authorize the Urban District Council of Cowes to generate, store, and supply Electricity within their District; Acquisition and Appropriation of Lands; Construction of Works; Power to break up or interfere with Streets, Railways, Tramways, &c., and to lay down or erect Mains, Pipes, and Wires; Streets in which Electric Lines to be laid down within a specified time; Power to Manufacture and Supply Apparatus; Price; Rates and Charges; Inspection of Mains, &c.; Power to enter Houses and Buildings; Power to enter into Contracts for Construction of Works, Transfer of Undertaking, &c.; Power to Borrow Money; Application of Funds and Revenue; Incorporation of Acts, and other Purposes).

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that the Urban District Council of Cowes, being the urban sanitary authority of the urban district of Cowes, in the county of Hants, whose offices are at 67, High-street, Cowes aforesaid (hereinafter referred to as "the Council") intend to apply to the Board of Trade, on or before the 21st day of December next for a Provisional Order (hereinafter referred to as "the Order") under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, for all or some of the following, amongst other purposes, that is to say:—

1. To authorize the Council to generate, store, distribute, and supply electricity for public and private purposes, as defined by the Electric Lighting Acts within the district of the Council (which district is hereinafter referred to as "the area of supply").

2. To enable the Council to acquire by agreement or take on lease, and hold lands and premises, or interests or easements in or over lands, or to appropriate for the purposes of the Order any lands belonging to or held by them, and to construct, provide, lay down, alter, renew, and maintain upon such lands all necessary stations and works for the generation, storage, distribution, and supply of electricity as may be necessary from time to time for such purposes, together with all buildings, steam, and other engines, dynamos, batteries, machinery, apparatus, works, and appliances necessary or convenient for the purposes aforesaid, or for other the purposes of the Undertaking.

3. To authorize the Council to open, break up, and interfere with all streets, roads, and public places, ways, footpaths, railways, tramways, rivers, canals, towing paths, culverts, sewers, and gas and water and hydraulic and pneumatic mains and pipes, and telegraph and telephone and other electric wires and apparatus within the area of supply; and to lay down, erect, maintain, renew, and remove either above or under ground, or otherwise, mains, pipes, culverts, tubes, wires, posts, distributing boxes, apparatus, or other works or

things required for the purpose of enabling the Council to generate, store, distribute, and supply electricity within the area of supply, and to confer all such other powers upon the Council as may be necessary or expedient for effecting those objects.

4. To authorize the Council to break up the following streets, roads, footways, thoroughfares, and places not belonging to or repairable by the Council; that is to say, Gordon-road, West Hill-road, Weston-road, Smithard's-lane, Tennyson-road, Milton-road, Stanley-road, Upper Arctic-road, and The Grove; or some of them, or some part or parts thereof, respectively, also to open or otherwise interfere with some part of the following railway; that is to say, The Isle of Wight Central Railway.

5. The following are the names of the streets within which the Council propose to lay electric lines within a period to be prescribed by the Order:—

Birmingham-road, Shooter's-hill, High-street, Bath-road, the Parade, and Queen's-road; or some of them or some part or parts thereof respectively.

6. To authorize the Council to manufacture, purchase, hire, sell, and let all necessary lamps, accumulators, meters, fittings, plant, engines, dynamos, machinery, apparatus, and other matters or things required for the purposes of the Order, and to acquire, work and use patent rights for producing, storing, controlling, distributing, and measuring, or otherwise relating to the supply of electricity.

7. To prescribe and limit the price to be charged for electricity.

8. To authorize the Council to take, collect, and recover rates, rents, and charges for the supply of electricity, and the use of any machines, lamps, meters, fittings, or apparatus worked by or used or connected with electricity.

9. To prescribe or limit the area within which mains shall be laid down within a limited period, and electricity shall at first be supplied; and to provide for the ultimate extension over the whole area of supply.

10. To make provision for the inspection and testing of mains and other works, &c.; for the appointment and remuneration of electric inspectors, and for the supply, use, inspection, testing, and certifying of meters, fittings, and instruments.

11. To authorize the Council to enter upon any houses, buildings, or lands supplied or proposed to be supplied with electricity for any purpose relating to such supply.

12. To authorize the Council to enter into contracts with Companies or persons for the execution and maintenance of works, and the supply of electricity, and to relieve the Council from the consequences of any acts or defaults of any such contractors, and to empower the Council to sell, transfer or lease to Companies or persons, all or some of the rights, powers, and privileges, and obligations intended to be conferred or imposed by the Order, on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the parties, subject to the approval of the Board of Trade.

13. To confer upon the Council all or some of the powers of the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, and Acts incorporated therewith, and to alter, vary, or extinguish, all rights or privileges which would, or might interfere with any of the objects of the Order, and to confer all other rights and privileges necessary for carrying such objects into effect.

14. To empower the Council to borrow money for all or any of the purposes of the Order and to