

borough rate improvement fund and improvement rate, and upon the estates, undertakings, rates, rents, revenue, and other property of the Corporation, or on any of those securities, and to empower the Corporation to apply any of their existing funds or rates for any purposes of the intended Act; and to empower the Corporation to levy and take rates and charges, and to alter existing rates and charges.

To provide for the establishment of branch or additional schools, museums, and galleries of art by the Corporation, and to empower them to acquire land for that purpose, and with respect to such branch or additional schools, museums, and galleries of art, to confer upon the Corporation and the museum and school of art committee constituted under the Birmingham Corporation Consolidation Act, 1883, the like powers, rights, and duties as they have with regard to the existing school and museum or gallery of art, and to provide for the payment of the expenses in relation thereto.

To provide for the repayment of certain loans contracted by the Corporation for the purposes of the Rubery Hill Lunatic Asylum, to extend or alter the period for the repayment of such loans, and to alter the mode of paying off such loans.

To empower the Corporation to pay or contribute towards the payment of a band or bands of music to perform in any park or place of public resort or recreation, or building, held by the Corporation, and to empower the Corporation to enclose a small area or areas within which any such band may perform, and to fix or regulate the time and place of performances, the payment to be made for admission to such enclosure or buildings, and to authorise bye-laws in respect of the matters aforesaid, and to secure good and orderly conduct during the performances of the band.

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

To incorporate with or without amendment or render inapplicable all or some of the provisions of the following public Acts: the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, the Public Health Acts, the Local Loans Act, 1875, the Lands Clauses Acts, the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, and all Acts amending those Acts respectively.

To repeal or amend the provisions or some of the provisions of the several local Acts and Orders following, namely:—the Birmingham Corporation (Consolidation) Act, 1883, the Birmingham Electric Light and Power Order, 1894, the Birmingham Corporation Stock Orders, 1880 and 1881, and all other Acts and Orders relating to the Corporation.

Printed copies of the intended Act or Bill will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons on or before the 21st day of December next.

Dated this 16th day of November, 1898.

EDWARD ORFORD SMITH, Town Clerk
Birmingham.

SHARPE, PARKER, PRITCHARDS AND
BARHAM, 9, Bridge-street, Westminster;
Parliamentary Agents.

Board of Trade.—Session 1899.

Morecambe Gas.

(Application to the Board of Trade by the Morecambe Gas and Light Company under the Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870, for a Provisional Order to increase their Capital and Borrowing Powers; Amendment

of the Morecambe Gas Act, 1879; Incorporation of Acts and other purposes.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Morecambe Gas and Light Company (hereinafter called "the Company") intend to apply to the Board of Trade, on or before the 23rd day of December next, for a Provisional Order under the Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870, for the following amongst other purposes:

To authorise the Company to increase their share and loan capital and to raise further money for the purposes of their Undertaking by the creation and issue of new shares or stock with or without a guarantee or preference dividend or other rights or privileges attached thereto, and if thought fit in one or more classes and by borrowing and by the creation and issue of debenture stock or by any or either of such means, and upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Provisional Order and to make further provision in regard to the capital of the Company.

To amend, alter, repeal, or extend so far as may be necessary the provisions of the Morecambe Gas Act, 1879, and to vary or extinguish all existing rights and privileges which would interfere with any of the objects or purposes of the Provisional Order, and to confer other rights and privileges.

To incorporate with the Provisional Order, with or without amendment, all or some of the provisions of the Gas Works Clauses Act, 1847, the Gas Works Clauses Act, 1871, and the Companies Clauses Consolidation Acts, 1845 to 1889.

And notice is hereby further given, that on or before the 30th day of November, 1898, a copy of this advertisement will be deposited for public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Peace for the county of Lancaster, at Preston in that county, and also at the office of the Board of Trade, Whitehall-gardens, London.

And notice is hereby further given, that the draft of the proposed Provisional Order will be deposited at the Board of Trade on or before the 23rd day of December, 1898, and printed copies thereof when deposited, and of the Provisional Order when made, may be obtained on application at the offices respectively of the undersigned Solicitors and Parliamentary Agents at the price of one shilling for each copy.

Every Company, Corporation, or person desirous of making any representation to the Board of Trade or of bringing before them any objection respecting the application, may do so by letter on paper of foolscap size, addressed to the Assistant Secretary of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade, Whitehall, London, S.W., on or before the 15th day of January, 1899. Copies of the objections must at the same time be sent to the Company at the offices of the undersigned Solicitors or Parliamentary Agents; and in forwarding to the Board of Trade such objections, the objectors or their agents should state that a copy of the same has been forwarded to the Company or their Agents.

Dated this 9th day of November, 1898.

CLARK, OGLETHORPE and SONS, Lancaster
and Morecambe, Solicitors.

HARGREAVES, CROWTHER and JORDAN, 18,
Abingdon-street, Westminster, S.W.,
Parliamentary Agents.