

other powers, rights, and privileges as are usually conferred upon conservators of rivers or navigations.

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

24. The intended Act will, as far as may be necessary or thought expedient, incorporate the provisions of the following Acts, or some or one of them (that is to say):—The Lands Clauses Acts; The Commissioners Clauses Act, 1847; The Harbours, Docks, and Piers Clauses Act, 1847; and any Acts amending the above-mentioned Acts.

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

Dated this 17th day of November, 1898.

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In Parliament.—Session 1899.

South Staffordshire Tramways.

(Power to Company to Lease Tramways and Property; Powers as to Working Tramways by Electrical or other Mechanical Power, and as to adapting same for that purpose; Acquisition of Lands for Generating Stations; Repeal or Amendment of Powers of Purchase by, and other Provisions relating to, or for Protection of Local Authorities, and of Restrictions on use of Mechanical Power; Increase of Borrowing Powers; Amendment of Acts and Orders.)

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

To empower the Company to grant to the British Electric Traction Company, Limited, and their assigns, or to a Company to be incorporated or constituted in that behalf (all of whom are included in the expression "lessees," hereinafter used), upon such conditions as may be prescribed or authorised or provided for by the intended Act, a lease or leases in perpetuity, or for such term or terms as may be authorised by the intended Act, of all or any part or parts of the tramways, powers, rights, and privileges comprised in or authorised or conferred by the several Orders and the Act hereinafter mentioned (that is to say):—The Staffordshire Tramways Order, 1879; the Staffordshire Tramways (Additional Powers) Order, 1880; the Staffordshire Tramways (Extension) Order, 1882; the Wednesbury and West Bromwich Tramways Order, 1881; the South Staffordshire Tramways Order, 1881; the Walsall and District Tramways Order, 1880; the Walsall and District Tramways Order, 1882; the Walsall and District Tramways Order, 1884; the Dudley and Tipton Tramways Order, 1881; the South Staffordshire and Birmingham District Steam Tramways Order, 1886; the South Staffordshire Tramways Act, 1889; and the South Staffordshire Tramways Order, 1894; and all the property, buildings, rolling stock, and plant of the Company held for the purposes of or in connection with the said tramways or any of them, and to authorise agreements between the Company and the lessees with reference to the matters aforesaid, and to confirm or give effect to any such agreement

or agreements which may have been entered into or may be entered into prior to the passing of the intended Act.

To authorise the Company and the lessees from time to time, on such terms and conditions, and subject to such restrictions (if any) as may be prescribed by the intended Act, and either in addition to or in substitution for any mechanical or other power now used or authorised to be used on any of the said tramways, to use for moving carriages and trucks upon the tramways, and upon any tramways for the time being leased to or run over, worked or used by the Company and the lessees animal power and any electrical power generated and applied from stations or otherwise, or other mechanical power, fixed or moveable; and to authorise the Company and the lessees to manufacture, provide, and use such electrical or other mechanical power without being liable to the conditions, restrictions, and obligations imposed by the South Staffordshire Tramways Act, 1889, and by the several Orders relating to the said tramways hereinbefore referred to, or some of them, and so far as may be found necessary or expedient to amend, alter, or repeal the provisions of the said Act and Orders relating to the matters aforesaid, and to make other provision in lieu thereof.

To empower the Company and the lessees to acquire, by compulsion or agreement, and to hold and use for the purposes of constructing a station or stations for generating electrical power, the lands hereinafter described, or some of them, that is to say:—

- (i.) Certain land situate at Swan village, in the parish and county borough of West Bromwich and county of Stafford, and bounded on the north by Great Bridge-street, on the south and east by the Birmingham Canal towing path, and on the west by a line drawn from a point on the said towing path 160 yards or thereabouts south-westward from the bridge carrying Great Bridge-street over the canal, to a point in Great Bridge-street 150 yards or thereabouts eastward from its junction with Ryder-street.
- (ii.) Certain land and buildings at Hill Top, in the parish and county borough of West Bromwich and county of Stafford, and bounded on the north by the Tame Valley Canal towing path, on the south by Tame-street, on the west by the Great Western Railway, and on the east by a line drawn from a point on the said towing path 70 yards or thereabouts south-westward from the bridge carrying Holloway Bank over the canal, to a point in Tame-street 63 yards or thereabouts south-westward from its junction with Holloway Bank.
- (iii.) Certain land situate in the parish and county borough of Walsall, in the county of Stafford, bounded on or towards the north or north-east by land belonging to the Birmingham Canal Company, on or towards the south by Darlaston-road, on or towards the east by land belonging to the Earl of Bradford and leased to Samuel Hughes, and on or towards the west by other land belonging to the said Earl of Bradford, and now or lately in the occupation of John Clues.

And to empower the Company and the lessees to erect, maintain, and use on such lands, a station or stations for generating electrical power, together with all necessary, proper and convenient engines, dynamos, machinery, apparatus, works and buildings for the production, storage, and supply of electricity or other power.