

may be necessary or expedient for offices, stations, or otherwise for the purposes of their Undertaking, and to enable the new Company to carry out the purposes of the intended Act.

To authorize the new Company on the one hand, and all or any corporations, commissioners, county councils, trustees, commoners, vestries, local and highway boards, or parochial boards, parish councils, and other public bodies, local authorities, officers, or other persons, and all railway, subway, canal, and other companies within the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man, on the other hand, to enter into and carry into effect agreements with respect to the matters aforesaid or any of them, or for the establishment of telephonic communication, or which may be proper or requisite for carrying out the purposes of the intended Act or any of them.

To authorize the new Company for the purposes of the intended Act to acquire, sell, manufacture under or otherwise, use any patents and licences for the transmission of telephonic communication, and also to grant licences to manufacture under or use any such patents.

To provide that in the case of licences acquired from Her Majesty's Postmaster-General the new Company may acquire under such conditions as the intended Act will define all or some of the powers of the Postmaster-General in relation to the subject of such licences, and may make agreements with the Postmaster-General as to communication with and the use of the trunk lines of the Postmaster-General in connection with the telephonic system of the Company or the new Company.

To authorize the new Company for the purposes of the intended Act to make, levy, and recover rates, rents, and charges, and to grant exemptions from the payment of such rates, rents, and charges.

To enable the new Company on the one hand, and the Postmaster-General and any railway company, or gas, water, electric lighting, tramway, subway, or other company or authority, or any other person having trenches, culverts, subways, pipes, tubes, wires, poles, or works of any description either above, on, in, or below the ground suitable or convenient for the laying down or carrying of wires, or any other apparatus of the new Company, to enter into and carry into effect agreements for any such purpose or any purpose incidental thereto.

To enable the new Company for the purposes of the intended Act to make and enforce bye-laws and to impose penalties for the breach or non-observance thereof.

And the intended Act will or may incorporate with itself or make applicable to the purposes thereof with or without modification or amendment all or some of the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts, the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845; the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1892, the Gasworks Clauses Acts, 1847 and 1863, the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, and will alter, amend, extend, or repeal all, or any, of the provisions of those Acts and any Acts extending or amending the same, and it will confer upon the new Company all other powers, rights, and privileges, will contain all other provisions necessary for carrying into effect the objects of the intended Act, will alter, vary, and extinguish all existing rights and privileges which would be inconsistent with or in any manner impede or interfere with the attainment of such objects, or any of them, and will confer other powers, rights, and privileges.

Printed copies of the Bill for the intended Act

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

Dated this 17th day of November, 1898.

W. E. L. GAINÉ, Oxford-court, Cannon-street, Solicitor for the Bill.
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In Parliament.—Session 1899.

National Telephone Company (No. 2).

(To Confer Powers on the National Telephone Company Limited for providing Telephonic Communication; Power to carry Wires and Apparatus over, under, along, or across Streets and other Places; Power to break up Streets, &c., in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man; Provisions as to Private Property; Acquisition of Lands; Agreements with Public Authorities; Acquisition of Patent Rights, &c.; Acquisition of Licences from Postmaster-General; Use of Trunk Wires; Rates and Charges; Power to certain Bodies to agree for use of their Works; Bye-laws, Penalties; Incorporation and Amendment of Acts.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing session by the National Telephone Company Limited (hereinafter called "the Company,") for an Act (hereinafter called "the intended Act") for all or some of the following among other purposes:—

To confer on the Company such powers, rights, and privileges as may be necessary for the purposes of effectively providing telephonic communication throughout the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man.

To authorize the Company or their agents, licensees, or other persons to lay down, suspend, place, erect, and maintain, and renew, and at all reasonable times to have access to pipes, wires, posts, pillars, insulators, conductors, and other works and apparatus connected therewith, in, through, across, along, on, under and over highways, streets, roads, lanes, towing-paths, passages, footways, and other places, whether public or private, tramways, railways, subways, canals, docks, basins, waters, rivers, estuaries or branches of the sea, bridges, lands, buildings, houses, and other works, within the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man, and for such purposes temporarily to break up, open, or otherwise interfere with such highways, streets, roads, lanes, and other places and properties hereinbefore enumerated, and also any sewers, drains, water or gas mains and pipes, electric, telegraphic, telephonic, pneumatic, hydraulic, and other apparatus, and all other works in, on, over, or under such highways, streets, roads, lanes, or other places and properties as aforesaid respectively, and also in the event of the unreasonable refusal of the owner, lessee, or occupier of any land or building to permit a wire or wires to pass over such land or building or to be supported thereon or attached thereto, to make such provisions in relation thereto, and also in relation to the several matters aforesaid, as may be necessary or convenient for the full and efficient establishment and maintenance of telephonic communication upon such terms and subject to such conditions, restrictions, and regulations as may be provided by the intended Act.

To authorize the Company to purchase, and take upon lease or otherwise, and hold such lands, tenements, hereditaments, premises, rights, privi-