and other purposes, and to contract for and execute any work for or in connection with the purposes aforesaid, and to exempt from liability to distress any article so supplied, and to empower the Company to remove the same (if let or hired) from any premises.

6. To authorise the Company on the one hand, and any corporation, district or parish council, or other local authority, company, or public body within or without the gas limits of the Company, on the other hand to enter into and fulfil contracts and agreements for the supply by the Company to the other contracting party of gas in bulk or otherwise, and all necessary apparatus therefor, and for those purposes to exercise the powers of the Gas Works Clauses Act, 1847, with respect to the breaking up of streets for the purpose of laying pipes and to enable such last-mentioned contracting party to expend their funds, rates, and revenues, to borrow moneys, and to levy rates and charges for the purpose.

7. To confer on the Company powers for and in relation to the laying down and maintaining mains, pipes, telegraphs, telephones, and apparatus in, along, across, and under streets, roads, footways, and places not dedicated to public use, and against buildings, and for the purposes of the Bill to break up, cross, alter, divert, stop up, and interfere with any footpaths over the lands which the Company may purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire compulsorily or by agreement.

8. To make further provisions for securing the payment of rates, rents, and charges made by or owing to the Company, and for the prepayment thereof in certain cases, and to empower the Company to refuse to supply persons in debt to the Company for any supply of gas.

9. To provide for the limitation of the period at or during which errors in meters shall be deemed to have arisen, and as to the recovery of the allowance or overcharge to be made to or by the Company by reason of such errors.

10. To empower the Company to enter on any new building, to examine the pipes and fittings for the supply of gas thereto, and to prohibit and require the removal of such as may for any cause he unfit, and to relieve the Company from all obligation to supply to premises the pipes and fittings of which are unfit, and to enable the Company to prescribe the material, size, and strength of such pipes and fittings.

11. To alter Section 26 of the Stretford Gas Act, 1877, and reduce the rate of interest on money deposited as security for meters.

12. To empower the Companyto create a renewal fund for the renewal and repair of their works, mains, and pipes, and an insurance fund to provide against any claim or demand against the Company by reason of accident, strike, or unforeseen circumstances and to meet claims by workmen against the Company under the Common or Statute Law.

13. To make provision for the representation of the Company in bankruptcy, composition, and liquidation arrangements and proceedings, the service of notices on and by the Company, and the registering and measuring of gas supplied by the Company.

14. To enable the Company to apply to the purposes of the Bill their existing funds and any moneys they are still authorised to raise, and for those purposes and the general purposes of their undertaking, to raise additional capital by the creation and issue of new ordinary and preference shares and stock and by borrowing and by the creation and issue of debenture stock, and to attach to any such shares, stocks, or loans

a preference or priority of dividend or interest or any other advantage which the Bill may define or Parliament may prescribe.

15. To consolidate or convert, or to provide for the consolidation or conversion of all or some of the shares of the Company (as well ordinary as preference) into one or more classes of shares or stock, and to provide for the cancellation of the existing certificates, and for the issue to, and the acceptance by the shareholders of the converted or consolidated shares.

16. The Bill will incorporate with itself, subject to any alteration or variation which may be deemed expedient, the necessary provisions of the Companies Clauses Acts, 1845 to 1869, the Lands Clauses Acts, the Gasworks Clauses Acts, 1817 and 1871, and will alter and amend, and, if thought expedient, repeal and consolidate all or some of the provisions of the Stretford Gas Act, 1862, the Stretford Gas Act, 1877, and any other Act relating directly or indirectly to the Company, and will confer upon the Company all other powers, rights, and privileges necessary for carrying into effect the objects of the Bill, and will vary and extinguish all rights and privileges which will interfere with its objects. Duplicate plans of the lands, houses and priv-

Duplicate plans of the lands, houses and property to be compulsorily taken under the powers of the Bill, and a book of reference to such plans containing the names of the owners and lessees, or reputed owners and lessees, and of the occupiers of such lands, houses and property; and a copy of this notice will, on or before the 30th day of November, instant, be deposited, for public inspection, with the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Lancaster, at his office at Preston, and a copy of the said plans, book of reference, and notice will be deposited with the Clerk of the Stretford Urban District Council at his offices at Talbot-road, Old Trafford, Manchester.

Printed copies of the proposed 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 9th day of November, 1898.

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West Kent Electricity Supply. (Application to Board of Trade by the West Kent Electricity Supply Company, Jamited, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1858, for Authority to supply Electricity for Public and Private Lighting and Motive Power within certain Parishes and Places in the County of Kent.)

NOTICE is hereby given that the West Kent Electricity Supply Company, Limited, (hereinafter called "the Company"), whose offices are at 39, King-street, Cheapside, London, intend to apply to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order (hereinafter called "the Order"), to be confirmed by Parliament in the ensuing Session, under and subject to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, for the following or some of the following purposes, viz. :--

To authorise the Company to produce, store, distribute, and supply electricity as defined by the said Acts for public and private lighting, and as motive power for manufacturing, trade, and other purposes, within the area or some portion of the area hereinafter mentioned, and for those purposes to cross, open up, and inter-: