

In Parliament.—Session 1916.

### UXBRIDGE GAS.

(Acquisition by Uxbridge Gas Company of undertaking of Eton Gas Company; Financial and other Provisions incidental thereto; Creation of Stock and Vesting in Proprietors of Shares of Eton Gas Company; Cancellation of Shares; Dividends on Shares and Stock; Debts, Mortgages and Liabilities of Eton Gas Company; Extension to Enlarged Undertaking of Existing Provisions Relating to either Company; Extension of Limits of Supply; Definition of Limits; Differential Charges for Gas; Partial Repeal of Eton Gas Act, 1867; Compensation to Directors and Officers; Dissolution of Eton Gas Company; Breaking up of Streets; Laying of Mains for Conveyance of Gas in Urban District of Slough and Parishes of Langley Marish and Datchet; Lands for Storage of Gas; Compulsory Acquisition by and vesting in Uxbridge Company or Extinguishment of Lammias, Grazing and other Commonable Rights (if any) in respect of Lands in Parish of Eton Wick; Ascertainment of Compensation therefor; Entry on Premises of Consumers; Cutting off Supplies; Variation in Price of Gas according to purpose for which Supplied; Application of Funds and Increase of Capital and Borrowing Powers; Incorporation and Amendment of Acts; General and Incidental Provisions.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing Session by the Uxbridge Gas Company (hereinafter called "the Uxbridge Company") for leave to introduce a Bill for the following or some of the following among other purposes (that is to say):—

1. To transfer to and vest in or to provide for and authorize the transfer to and vesting in the Uxbridge Company, upon such date and under such conditions as may be prescribed by the Bill, of the undertaking (including all rights, powers, authorities and privileges and all rights of making, distributing and supplying gas, and all property, assets and effects, real and personal, including cash balances, reserve depreciation and replacement funds, investments, things in action, books, deeds, accounts, writings and other documents) of the Eton Gas Company (hereinafter referred to as "the Eton Company") or to authorize the Uxbridge Company to acquire and to provide for the sale and transfer to the Uxbridge Company of the said undertaking upon and subject to such terms and conditions and subject to such provisions with regard to the liabilities and obligations of the said Companies respectively or either of them as may be or may have been agreed between the Uxbridge Company and the Eton Company or as may be prescribed by the Bill.

2. To prescribe the consideration (whether in stock or other securities of the Uxbridge Company or in cash or partly in such stock or securities and partly in cash or otherwise) to be paid by the Uxbridge Company to the Eton Company or to the holders of the shares or other securities of that Company for or in respect of any such transfer and vesting or sale and transfer as aforesaid, and to make provisions for and with respect to the allocation of such

consideration among such holders as aforesaid, and if thought fit to provide for the creation and issue to and vesting in such holders of shares or securities of the Uxbridge Company, and to require such holders to accept such last-mentioned stock or securities, together with any sum payable under the provisions of the intended Act in cash in substitution either wholly or in part for the shares or securities of the Eton Company held by them.

3. To make provision with respect to the holders of debentures, debenture stock, mortgages or other charges of the Eton Company and if thought fit to constitute such debentures, debenture stock, mortgages or other charges a charge upon the enlarged undertaking of the Uxbridge Company, ranking either *pari passu* with all or any of the existing debentures, debenture stock, mortgages or charges of the Uxbridge Company or in such other order as the Bill may prescribe or to provide for and authorize the redemption, discharge or payment off of such debentures, debenture stock, mortgages or other charges by the issue or grant of debentures, debenture stock or mortgages of the Uxbridge Company or by the payment of such pecuniary consideration as may be specified or provided for in the Bill or partly in one of those modes and partly in the other.

4. To provide that the books of the Eton Company shall be conclusive evidence of the holders of shares and debenture stock of the Eton Company, and to cancel or provide for the cancellation of all or any of the existing share capital of the Eton Company, and all or any of the existing debentures, debenture stock, mortgages or other charges of that Company, and to provide for and require the delivery up to the Uxbridge Company of certificates for debenture stock or bonds, debentures, mortgages and other securities of the Eton Company.

5. To make provision as to the payment by the Uxbridge Company of interest or dividends on the shares and debenture stocks of the Eton Company in respect of the half-year immediately preceding the date of transfer of the undertaking of the last-mentioned Company.

6. To authorize Trustees, Executors and other persons acting in a fiduciary capacity to accept and hold stock, debentures, debenture stock and other securities of the Uxbridge Company issued to them under the provisions of the intended Act, and to accept any sum payable as aforesaid in cash in substitution for shares, mortgages, debentures, debenture stock, or securities of the Eton Company or to continue to hold such shares, mortgages, debentures or debenture stock as a charge on the enlarged undertaking of the Uxbridge Company (as the case may be), and to provide that all references in transfers, deeds, wills, settlements or other documents or instruments to shares, mortgages, debentures, debenture stock, stock or securities of the Eton Company shall be construed as references to stock, debentures, debenture stock or securities of the Uxbridge Company, together with any sum payable in cash as aforesaid or to mortgages, debentures or debenture stock constituting a charge on the enlarged undertaking of the Uxbridge Company (as the case may be).

7. To make provision with respect to the debts and liabilities of and moneys due or accrued due to the Eton Company and the