

In Parliament.—Session 1919.

STOCKSBRIDGE GAS.

(Incorporation of Company and Provisions as to Constitution, Capital, etc., thereof; Lands for Manufacture, etc., of Gas and Residual Products; Acquisition of Lands by Agreement; Houses for Employees, Offices, etc.; Definition of Limits of Supply in West Riding of Yorkshire; Repeal of Powers of Sheffield Gas Company in Limits of Supply; Acquisition by Agreement of Mains, etc., Laid Down by Samuel Fox and Company Limited; Purchase of Gas in Bulk from Samuel Fox and Company Limited and Others; Acquisition of Gasworks of Samuel Fox and Company Limited; Laying of Pipes and Works; Provisions as to Purity, Calorific Value and Pressure and Testing thereof; Supplies to Local Authorities and Large Consumers; Supply to Consumers Having Separate Supply; Provisions as to Pipes and Position of Meters, etc.; Manufacture, Sale, etc., of Meters, Fittings, etc.; Provisions as to Cutting Off Supplies and Payment by Occupiers of Cost of Re-connecting; Entry on Premises for Removal of Fittings; Anti-fluctuators; Supply in Bulk to Local Authorities and Others; Rates and Charges; Acquisition of Patent Rights; Pensions and Other Allowances; Reserve, Special Purposes and Other Funds; Schemes for Profit-sharing by Employees and Provisions Relative thereto; Agreements; By-laws and Regulations; Incorporation of Acts; General and Incidental Provisions.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing Session for leave to bring in a Bill for all or some of the purposes and objects following (that is to say):—

To incorporate a Company (hereinafter referred to as "the Company") for the purposes and with the powers hereinafter referred to.

To make provision as to the number, appointment, qualification, quorum, powers, duties, and continuance in office of directors and a managing director or directors of the Company, as to meetings of the Company (including, if thought fit, provision for the holding of only one general meeting annually) and of directors and the quorum at such meetings, and the scale of voting thereat, and to enable directors to hold offices under and hold and acquire interests in contracts with the Company upon and under such conditions as may be prescribed by the intended Act, to require notice to be given of a proposal to nominate a new or oppose the re-election of a retiring director, and to enable the directors to fix or alter the remuneration of the Secretary of the Company, and to enter into contracts for the supply of goods and otherwise to the Company, and generally to make such provisions as may be deemed expedient with regard to the regulation and management of the affairs and proceedings of the Company, and with regard to the appointment and qualification of auditors, and to alter or vary in their application to the Company and their undertaking all or some of the provisions of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, and the Acts amending the same.

To declare, define, and regulate the capital and borrowing powers of the Company, and to

authorize the Company to raise money for all or any of the purposes of the intended Act by the creation and issue of stock or shares or both of them, and with or without a preferential or guaranteed dividend or other rights or privileges attached thereto, and by borrowing and by the creation and issue of debenture stock or by any of such means, and to authorize the Company to create and issue any preference shares or stock or debenture stock as redeemable shares or stock, and to prescribe and regulate the dividends to be paid on the different classes of stock or shares in the capital of the Company, and to make provision for the payment of interim dividends or for the dividends on the capital of the Company being paid yearly or half-yearly, and for the closing of the transfer books of the Company in certain cases.

To empower the Company on the lands in the parish and urban district of Stocksbridge, in the West Riding of the county of York, next hereinafter described, from and after the date of acquisition thereof respectively by the Company, to erect, maintain and use works for the manufacture, storage and supply of gas and the conversion, utilization, storage or dealing with materials used in or residual products arising from the manufacture of gas, and to empower the Company upon the said lands to manufacture and store gas and to manufacture, convert, and store and to deal with and in residual products arising from the manufacture of gas. The lands hereinbefore referred to are the following:—

(a) Lands bounded on the east by the Wortley-road, on the north and north-west by the Little Don River, on the west partly by a sluice leading from that river to the Old Mill Race and partly by lands belonging or reputed to belong to Samuel Fox and Company, Limited, and in the occupation of Mrs. Ann Bramall, and on the south partly by the said Old Mill Race and partly by premises appurtenant to the post office situate at the junction of Wortley-road with Manchester-road.

(b) Lands bounded on the west by Wortley-road, on the north and north-east by the Little Don River, and on the south by lands which belong or are reputed to belong to the Trustees of Samuel Fox, deceased, and are in the occupation of Isaac Marsh, and by lands which belong or are reputed to belong to and are in the occupation of John Dyson.

To enable the Company to acquire lands by agreement and notwithstanding anything contained in the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1871, or the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, to hold, or to sell, lease, exchange, or otherwise dispose as they may think fit of any lands acquired or which may be acquired by them, and which may not be required for the purposes of their undertaking, and to empower the Company to exercise such powers free from any restrictions or obligations imposed upon them by those Acts or any of them, and to render inapplicable to the Company sections 127 to 132 of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845.

To enable the Company to purchase, erect, or take on lease and to furnish and equip, dwelling houses for persons in their employ, and offices, show-rooms, and other buildings for the purposes of their undertaking.

To authorize the Company to supply gas for all public and private purposes to and within