

found in, upon, or under, or may be diverted or intercepted by the proposed works, or in, upon, or under any lands to be acquired by the Company by or under the Bill, or now belonging to them.

To authorize the crossing, opening, diverting, altering, or stopping up temporarily of all highways and other roads, footpaths, bridges, and other works within or adjoining to the before-mentioned parishes and places which it may be necessary or convenient to cross, open, divert, alter, stop up or interfere with for the purposes of the Bill, or any of them.

To provide that the proposed new works shall, for all purposes whatsoever, including the levying, demanding, and recovering of water-rents and charges, form part of the Company's undertaking, and to confer, vary, or extinguish exemptions from the payment of rates, rents, or charges.

To enable the Company, notwithstanding anything contained in the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1871, or the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, or any other enactment of or relating to the Company, to hold or to sell, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose 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.

To authorize the Company to place, lay down, repair, maintain, inspect, renew, and extend mains, pipes and apparatus in streets within their limits of supply which are laid out but not dedicated to public use, and for those purposes to open and break up such streets and to make applicable and authorize the Company to exercise all or any of the rights or powers exercisable by them with respect to the laying of mains, pipes and apparatus in public streets.

To enable the Company, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1847, with respect to the laying of pipes to lay down pipes and works in any street, road or highway, and to use the same for any purposes ancillary to their undertaking.

To make such provisions as may be necessary to secure that any meters, dynamos, stoves, appliances, apparatus and fittings when let on hire by the Company, or supplied or installed by the Company under a hire-purchase agreement in respect of which any instalment of purchase money shall remain unpaid, shall remain the property of the Company in cases of distress for rent, bankruptcy, execution or otherwise, and to repeal, amend or extend the provisions of section 69 of the Hartlepool Gas and Water Act, 1867.

To make such provisions as may be necessary to secure that engines and other plant, stoves or fittings let for hire by the Company or installed under a hire-purchase agreement in respect of which any instalment of purchase money shall remain unpaid and affixed or fastened to the soil or to any part of the premises in which they are situate shall remain the property of the Company, and not become part of the freehold of such premises or belong to the owner of such premises or pass to any grantee, mortgagee, assignee, lessee or other person claiming through or under such owner.

To empower the Company and their officers and servants where any person entering into

occupation of premises previously supplied with gas by the Company does not require or take or is not entitled to such supply to enter upon such premises and remove any apparatus, fittings and appliances belonging to the Company in such premises, and to confer further powers on the Company, their officers and servants with reference to the entry upon premises and the removal of apparatus, fittings and appliances belonging to the Company in cases of consumers ceasing to take a supply of gas or of the premises in which such apparatus, fittings or appliances are situate being unoccupied.

To empower the Company in any case in which they are authorized to cut off or discontinue the supply of gas to any premises to enter upon such premises and to disconnect at the meter the service pipe by which a supply of gas is afforded to such premises and to impose penalties upon any person re-connecting or attempting to re-connect any such meter and service pipe or to restore the supply of gas to such premises.

To require the occupier of any premises or the consumer (as the case may be) to pay to the Company the expenses of re-connecting the meter and service pipe or restoring the supply of gas in any case in which the supply has been discontinued in consequence of the default of such occupier or consumer.

To confer further powers upon the Company with reference to the working up, conversion and utilization of residual products arising from the manufacture of gas, and to authorize the Company to purchase such residual products from other gas undertakers or from any other Company, authority, body, or person, and to utilize, work up, or convert the same and to manufacture other products therefrom, or wholly or partly by means thereof, and to sell or otherwise dispose of any of such residual products and products manufactured therefrom or by means thereof.

To authorize the Company to purchase or take a supply of gas in bulk from any local authority, company, body, or person supplying or authorized to supply gas within any area or limits of supply adjoining or near to the limits of supply for the time being of the Company, or from any company, body, or person producing gas in connection with the carrying on of any works, trade or business by such company, body or person, whether within or outside the limits of supply for the time being of the Company, and to enable the Company and any such local authority, company, body, or person to enter into and carry into effect contracts and agreements with reference to any of the matters aforesaid, and to confer upon the Company and any such local authority, company, body or person, all such powers as may be necessary to give effect to the purposes aforesaid, including the power to lay mains both within and beyond the Company's area of supply.

To enable the Company to supply gas in bulk to local authorities, companies, and persons within or beyond the Company's limits for the time being for the supply of gas, and to authorize the Company and any such local authorities, companies, or persons to enter into and carry into effect contracts and agreements for that purpose.

To enable the Company to lay down, repair, take up, alter, relay and renew mains, pipes, and culverts within the Company's limits of supply for gas, for the purpose of procuring,