

## CHAPTER lxvi.

An Act to confer further powers on the Bognor A.D. 1927 Gaslight and Coke Company to change the name of the Company and for other purposes.

[29th July 1927.]

WHEREAS the Bognor Gaslight and Coke Company (in this Act called "the Company") were incorporated by the Bognor Gaslight and Coke Company Act 1908 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1908") and are by that Act and the Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company (Electricity) Act 1912 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1912") empowered to supply gas and electricity within the limits mentioned in the said Acts:

And whereas further powers were conferred upon the Company by the Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company (Capital Issues) Consent 1921 the Bognor Electricity (Charges) Order 1921 and the Bognor Gas (Charges) Order 1922:

And whereas it is expedient that the limits within which the Company may supply gas and electricity should be extended:

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A.D. 1927. And whereas the authorised and issued capital of the Company is as follows:—

Authority.	Description of Capital.	Rate of Dividend.		` <b>i</b> .	Premiums		Total
		Standard.	Maximum.	Total paid up.	received less Discounts.	Remaining to be issued.	amount autho- rised.
•		Per cent.	Per cent.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
The Act of	Consolidated ordi- nary stock " A."	5		17,000	<u></u>		17,000
1908.	Consolidated ordinary stock "B."	5		21,700			21,700
	Additional consoli- dated ordinary stock "A."	5	<b>—</b>	20,000	1,077 13 6	14,922 6 6	36,000
The Act of	New consolidated	<del>- ; -</del>	7	18,900	95 8 7	1 •	90.000
1912.	New preference stock		6		<del></del>	<b>}11,004 11 5</b>	30,000
-				77,600	1,173 2 1	25,926 17 11	104,700

And whereas the Company have borrowed on mort-gage and raised by the creation and issue of debenture stock sums amounting in the aggregate to thirty-nine thousand two hundred and fifty pounds:

And whereas it is expedient that the Company should be authorised to raise additional capital and to borrow further moneys for the purposes of this Act and of their undertaking and that such other financial provisions should be made as are in this Act contained:

And whereas it is expedient to change the name of the Company:

And whereas it is expedient that further provision be made with reference to the conduct of the affairs of the Company and the management of their undertaking and that the other provisions contained in this Act should be made:

And whereas the purposes of this Act cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the

Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons in this A.D. 1927. present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows (that is to say):—

#### PRELIMINARY.

1. This Act may be cited as the Bognor Gas and Short and Electricity Act 1927 and the Act of 1908 the Act of 1912 collective the Bognor Electricity (Charges) Order 1921 the Bognor titles. Gas (Charges) Order 1922 and this Act may be cited together and are in this Act referred to as the Bognor Gas and Electricity Acts and Orders 1908 to 1927.

2. The Order dated the tenth day of October one Citation of thousand nine hundred and twenty-one and made by Order of the Minister of Transport varying the maximum prices 1921. stated in section 1 of the Third Schedule to the Act of 1912 may be cited as the Bognor Electricity (Charges) Order 1921.

3. This Act shall be deemed to be a special Act Application within the meaning of the Electricity (Supply) Acts 1882 of Electric to 1926 and the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899 so Lighting far as the provisions of those Acts are applicable to or incorporated with this Act.

4.—(1) The following Acts and parts of Acts (so Incorporafar as the same are applicable for the purposes and are tion of Acts. not inconsistent with the provisions of the Bognor Gas and Electricity Acts and Orders 1908 to 1927) are hereby incorporated with this Act (namely):—

- The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 (except the provisions relating to the conversion of borrowed money into capital) Part I (relating to the cancellation and surrender of shares) Part II (relating to additional capital) Part III (relating to debenture stock) and Part IV (Change of name) of the Companies Clauses Act 1863 as amended by subsequent Acts;
- The Gasworks Clauses Act 1847 (except sections 30 to 34) and the Gasworks Clauses Act 1871;
- The provisions of the schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899 (except sections 5 and 23 thereof) as amended by any subsequent Act.

(2) In the application to the Company of the Gasworks Clauses Act 1847 section 13 shall be read as if the words "or any premises" were inserted after the words "private building" and as if the words "Provided "that every such contract entered into by the under-"takers shall be alike in terms and amount to all consumers of gas supplied in like circumstances and for "the same purposes" were added at the end of that section.

Interpretation.

- 5. In this Act the several words and expressions to which meanings are assigned by the Acts wholly or partially incorporated herewith have the same respective meanings unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction And in this Act—
  - "The Company" means the Bognor Gaslight and Coke Company;
  - "The Act of 1908" means the Bognor Gaslight and Coke Company Act 1908;
  - "The Act of 1912" means the Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company (Electricity) Act 1912;
  - "The Consent of 1921" means the Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company (Capital Issues) Consent 1921;
  - "The Order of 1922" means the Bognor Gas (Charges) Order 1922;
  - "The existing limits of supply" means the area within which the Company are by the Act of 1908 and the Act of 1912 authorised to supply gas and electricity;
  - "The limits of supply" means the limits for the time being of the Company for the supply of gas or electricity as the case may require;
  - "The gas undertaking" and "the electricity undertaking" mean respectively the gas undertaking and the electricity undertaking of the Company authorised by the Bognor Gas and Electricity Acts and Orders 1908 to 1927;
  - "The undertaking" means the undertaking of the Company as authorised by the Bognor Gas and Electricity Acts and Orders 1908 to 1927;
    - "The directors" means the directors of the Conpany.

#### GAS.

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6. Subject to the provisions of this Act the limits within which the Company may supply gas shall extend to and include in addition to the existing limits of supply the parish of Middleton in the rural district of Westhampnett and that part of the parish of Climping in the rural district of East Preston (hereinafter in this Act referred to as "the added part of Climping") which lies to the westward of an imaginary line drawn parallel to and at a distance of a quarter of a mile from the centre line of the River Arun both in the county of West Sussex and the Company may within the limits of supply exercise the powers rights privileges and authorities and shall be subject to the duties and obligations which they have may exercise and are subject to within the existing limits of supply.

Extension of limits of supply for

7. Section 4 of the Littlehampton Gas Act 1909 Exclusion of shall be read and have effect as if the added part of Climping had not been included within the limits of that Act and from and after the passing of this Act all the powers and obligations of the Littlehampton Gas Company with reference to the supply of gas otherwise than hampton in bulk within the added part of Climping shall absolutely cease and determine.

added part of Climping from limits of supply of Little-Gas Company.

8. If after the expiration of five years from the Onfailure passing of this Act the Company have not laid down of Company mains for the supply of gas in the said parish of Middleton or the added part of Climping the local authority or any company or person may apply for an Act of Parliament gas powers. or Special Order for the purpose of providing such a supply and for the repeal of the powers of the Company in that behalf.

other undertakers may apply for

9.—(1) The Company may charge for gas supplied Price of gas by them to consumers by meter within the areas by in added this Act added to the existing limits of the Company for areas. the supply of gas as follows:—

(a) Within the parish of Middleton a price exceeding by not more than decimal six of a penny per therm the price (in this section called "the Bognor price") at the same time charged by the Company for a supply of gas in like circum-stances and for the same purposes within the

- urban district of Bognor and the parishes of Felpham and Bersted as existing before the passing of the Act of 1908;
- (b) Within the added part of Climping a price not exceeding by more than one decimal two pence per therm the Bognor price.
- (2) Any price charged in excess of the Bognor price shall not be taken into account in calculating the rate of dividend payable under section 51 (Dividends dependent on price charged) of the Act of 1908 as amended by the Order of 1922.

As to construction and placing of pipes &c.

- 10. In order to enable the Company to ensure a satisfactory supply of gas to their consumers the following provisions shall have effect:—
  - (1) The Company may if they think fit make a specification or specifications with regard to the minimum size and the material of the pipes with the fittings thereof which are to be laid by the owner or occupier of any premises on those premises either in the first instance or on the occasion of any renewal and different specifications may be made for different classes of premises or for particular premises having regard to the probable maximum consumption of gas thereon at any one time but a specification shall have no force or effect until it has been approved by the Board of Trade who before giving such approval shall refer the matter to an independent gas engineer and may if they think fit direct such engineer to hold a public inquiry into any proposed specification and to have regard to any representations made to the Board by any persons who appear to the Board to be affected by the specification and who attend such inquiry:
  - (2) (a) The Company shall publish once in the London Gazette and once in each of two newspapers circulating within the limits of supply a notice of any application made by them to the Board of Trade for approval of any specification together with a copy of the proposed specification and an intimation in a form to be approved by the Board of Trade that any person affected

by such proposed specification may make repre- A.D. 1927, sentations in writing to the Board of Trade within a period to be specified in the notice;

- (b) As soon as practicable after the Board of Trade have approved any specification the Company shall comply with any directions given to them by the Board of Trade as to the publication or service of copies of the specification as approved or of notice of the giving of such approval;
- (c) A copy of every specification approved by the Board of Trade under this section shall be kept for public inspection at the office of the Company and copies of every such specification shall be purchaseable by any person at the said office at the price of sixpence for each copy:
- (3) When any such pipe or fittings as aforesaid is or are about to be laid or placed notice thereof shall be given to the Company accompanied by a description of the size and materials of the proposed pipe or fittings and of the purposes for which the gas to be supplied through the same is intended to be used:
- (4) The Company shall as soon as practicable after receiving such notice (after making such inspection (if any) of the said pipe or fittings and of the premises in which the same is or are proposed to be laid or placed as they may deem necessary) intimate in writing to the person giving the notice their approval or disapproval of the pipe or fittings as complying or not complying with the appropriate specification:
- (5) No such pipe or fittings as aforesaid shall be laid or placed unless or until the same shall have been approved as aforesaid and when any such pipe or fittings has or have been laid or placed notice thereof shall be given to the Company and the pipe or fittings shall not be covered over until after the expiration of twenty-four hours from the service of such notice on the Company or until the pipe or fittings as laid or placed has or have been inspected and approved by the Company whichever shall first happen:

- (6) Any officer of the Company duly appointed may between nine o'clock in the morning and five o'clock in the afternoon attend for the purpose of any such inspection as aforesaid and if the officer is not permitted to make the inspection or if the pipes or fittings are not according to the appropriate specification of the Company the Company may refuse to supply gas to the premises until the provisions of this section have been complied with:
- (7) Every meter to be used in a new building or a building not previously supplied with gas or in connection with a new or substituted pipe laid between the main and the meter shall be placed as near as practicable to the Company's main but within the outside wall of the building and when any such meter has been placed the person placing the same shall give to the Company the like notice and the Company shall have the like right of inspection as are respectively referred to in subsections (5) and (6) of this section and if the meter is not placed as required by this section the Company may refuse to supply gas to the premises until the provisions of this section have been complied with Provided that in the case of any building in connection with which there is provided outside the building accommodation reasonably approved by the Company for the meter or a separate meter house such meter may be placed in such accommodation or meter house instead of within the outside wall of the building:
- (8) The provisions of this section relating to pipes and the fittings thereof shall not apply to any pipes or fittings belonging to a railway company and laid or placed or intended to be laid or placed in any premises (not being a dwelling-house or premises appurtenant to a dwelling-house) of that railway company—
  - (a) elsewhere than between the main of the Company and the meter; or
  - (b) between such main and the meter unless and except so far as such pipes or fittings are covered over or intended to be covered over:

(9) For the purposes of this section the expression A.D. 1927. "fittings" includes only the joints angles and connections used in placing or laying pipes.

11. The power to enter premises in order to inspect Power to meters fittings and works for the supply of gas and for enter. the purpose of ascertaining the quantity of gas consumed premises to or supplied conferred upon the Company by section 21 of the Gasworks Clauses Act 1871 shall extend to all premises in which there is any service pipe connected on. with the gas mains of the Company except where the occupier of the premises shall have applied in writing to the Company for the disconnection of the service pipe from the mains of the Company.

which a supply of gas is laid

12. Unless at the date of the demand for any such Relief from new or increased supply of gas as is hereinafter referred obligation to the capacity of the distribution works of the Company to supply. is in the opinion of an arbitrator appointed as hereinafter provided insufficient to meet (with a reasonable margin) the requirements (as existing immediately before that date) of the consumers in the portion of the area of supply of the Company for which such works have been provided (so far as such requirements could reasonably have been foreseen) the Company notwithstanding anything contained in any other enactment shall not be obliged to give for any purpose other than lighting or domestic use—

- (1) a new supply of gas for the premises of any person demanding such supply at any time after the passing of this Act; or
  - (2) an increased supply of gas (other than an increased supply necessitated by any reduction of the declared calorific value of the gas);

where the giving of such new or increased supply would render necessary the laying of a new main or the making (as an alternative to the laying of a new main) of any enlargement or alteration of or addition to the distribution works of the Company Provided that the foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply in any case in which the person demanding a new or increased supply (in this section referred to as "the applicant") shall enter into a written contract with the Company—

(i) to receive and pay for a supply of gas of such minimum quantity and for such mini-

- mum period as the Company may reasonably require; or
- (ii) to make such payment or payments to the Company (in addition to any payments to be made from time to time for gas supplied to the applicant) as the Company may reasonably require;

(according as the Company may in their discretion determine) in consideration of or by way of contribution towards the expenses to be incurred by the Company in laying such new main or making such enlargement alteration or addition as aforesaid and shall give such security for the payment of all moneys which may become due under the contract as the Company may reasonably demand Provided also that if any question shall arise under the provisions of this section between the Company and the applicant as to the sufficiency of the distribution works of the Company or as to whether such new or increased supply would necessitate the laying of a new main or the making of any such enlargement alteration or addition as aforesaid or as to the reasonableness of the minimum quantity or period or of the payments (in addition to payments for gas supplied) required by the Company or as to the nature or amount of the security demanded by the Company such question shall be referred to and determined by an arbitrator to be appointed (failing agreement between the Company and the applicant) by the Board of Trade on the application of either party after notice in writing to the other of them and the decision of such arbitrator shall be final and binding Provided also that in determining any such question as aforesaid the arbitrator shall have regard to the following among other considerations (that is to say):—

- (a) The total annual quantity of gas required by the applicant the maximum quantity required per hour and the hours of the day during which the Company may be called upon to supply gas to the applicant;
- (b) The capital expenditure which the Company would have to incur in the laying of a new main or the making of any enlargement or alteration of or addition to their distribution works as

aforesaid in connection with the giving of such A.D. 1927. new or increased supply; and

(c) How far such capital expenditure may become unproductive to the Company in the event of the cesser of the new or increased supply.

Subject as aforesaid the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1889 shall apply to any arbitration under this section.

13. In the event of any meter used by a consumer Period of of gas being tested in manner provided by the regulations error in made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation defective Act 1920 and being proved to register erroneously within meters. the meaning of the said regulations such erroneous registration shall be deemed to have first arisen during the then last preceding quarter of the year unless it be proved to have first arisen during the then current quarter The amount of the allowance to be made to or of the surcharge to be made upon the consumer by the Company shall be paid by or to the Company to or by the consumer as the case may be and shall be recoverable in the like manner as gas charges are recoverable by the Company.

14.—(1) In any case in which the Company are by As to mode virtue of any enactment relating to the gas undertaking of cutting authorised to cut off and discontinue the supply of gas off supplies. to any premises in consequence of any default on the part of the occupier of the premises it shall be lawful for the Company without prejudice to any other remedy which may be lawfully available to them to disconnect at the meter the service pipe (whether belonging to the consumer or to the Company) and any person who shall reconnect such service pipe with the meter without the consent of the Company shall be deemed to commit an offence within the meaning of section 18 of the Gasworks Clauses Act 1847:

Provided that if and so soon as the matter complained of shall have been remedied nothing in this section shall prejudice or interfere with any rights vested in any person by virtue of section 11 of the Gasworks Clauses Act 1871.

(2) For the purposes of this section the Company subject to the provisions of section 22 of the Gasworks

Clauses Act 1871 shall have and may exercise the like powers of entry as are exerciseable under that section.

Expenses of reconnecting discontinued supply.

15. In any case in which in consequence of any default on the part of the occupier of any premises the Company have cut off the supply of gas to such premises and the occupier so in default shall desire to resume such supply he shall pay to the Company the expenses of reconnecting the supply and the Company shall not be under any obligation to supply gas to such occupier until he shall have made good the default and paid such expenses.

Supply of gas where consumer has separate supply.

16. Notwithstanding anything in the Gasworks Clauses Act 1871 or any other Act a person shall not be entitled to demand or continue to receive for the purposes of a stand-by supply only from the Company a supply of gas for any premises having a separate supply of gas or a supply (in use or ready for use for the purposes for which the stand-by supply of gas is required) of electricity steam or other form of energy unless he has agreed with the Company to pay to them such minimum annual sum as will give them a reasonable return on the capital expenditure incurred by them in providing such stand-by supply and will cover other standing charges incurred by them in order to meet the possible maximum demand for those premises The sum so to be paid shall be determined in default of agreement by arbitration in manner provided by the Arbitration Act 1889.

Gas fittings let for hire to remain property of Company.

17. All meters engines motors stoves ranges pipes fittings and other apparatus (in this section referred to as "fittings") let for hire under the provisions of section 50 (Power to supply gas fittings &c. for heating and other purposes) of the Act of 1908 shall notwithstanding that they be fixed or fastened to any part of the premises in which they may be situate or to the soil under any such premises at all times continue to be the property of and removable by the Company:

Provided that such fittings are marked or impressed with a sufficient mark or brand indicating the Company as the actual owners thereof:

Provided also that nothing in this section shall affect the amount of the assessment for rating of any premises upon which any such fittings are or shall be fixed.

18. The power to enter premises and remove pipes meters and fittings or apparatus conferred upon the Company by section 22 of the Gasworks Clauses Act Removal of 1871 shall extend to all cases in which any person entering where gas into occupation of any premises previously supplied with supply disgas by the Company shall not require to take a supply continued. of gas from the Company or to hire all or any of the pipes meters fittings or apparatus belonging to the Company and let by them on hire to any former occupier of such premises.

fittings

19.—(1) The Company may by notice in writing Antirequire a consumer of gas supplied by the Company fluctuators and used for the working of an engine to fix and use an to be used efficient anti-fluctuator in a suitable position upon with gas the premises upon which the engine is in use or to keep any anti-fluctuator fixed and used by the consumer in proper order and repair at all times while in use or to repair renew or replace an anti-fluctuator which is not in proper order or repair.

- (2) If the consumer after any such notice as aforesaid fails to fix and use an efficient anti-fluctuator or to keep an anti-fluctuator in proper order and repair or to repair renew or replace an anti-fluctuator which is not in proper order and repair the Company may cease to supply him with gas.
- (3) The Company may at all reasonable times demand and shall thereupon have access to any anti-fluctuator fixed upon any premises to which gas is supplied by the Company and for the purpose of ascertaining whether the anti-fluctuator is efficient and in proper order and repair may take off remove test and inspect the antifluctuator such taking off removing testing and inspecting to be done at the expense of the Company if the antifluctuator be found efficient and in proper order but otherwise at the expense of the consumer.
- (4) For the purposes of this section an "antifluctuator" means an apparatus for the purpose of controlling and regulating the supply of gas to any engine and preventing any inconvenience or danger from the intermittent consumption of gas by the engine.
- 20.—(1) Every consumer of gas supplied by the Provision Company who uses for or in connection with the consump- of valve

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where highpressure air or other gas is used.

tion of such gas air at high pressure or any gas not supplied by the Company (in this section referred to as "highpressure air or other gas") shall if required to do so by the Company provide and fix in a suitable position and use an efficient valve or other appliance for preventing the admission of such high-pressure air or other gas into the service pipe or any main through which gas is supplied by the Company and shall at all times at his own expense keep in proper order and repair any such valve or other appliance as aforesaid which shall have been provided and fixed whether upon such requirement or otherwise.

- (2) It shall not be lawful for any consumer at any time after the passing of this Act to commence to use high-pressure air or other gas unless and until he shall have given to the Company not less than fourteen days' previous notice in writing of his intention so to do.
- (3) Every consumer who at the date of the receipt by him of any such demand note as is referred to in paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of this section is using high-pressure air or other gas shall within one month after that date give to the Company notice in writing of such use and if within one month after the giving of such notice the Company require the consumer giving the same to provide and fix such a valve or other appliance as aforesaid it shall not be lawful for him after the expiration of fourteen days from the receipt of the requirement to continue to use high-pressure air or other gas unless before such expiration he shall have complied with the requirement.
- (4) If a consumer shall fail to comply with any requirement of the Company or any obligation under this section the Company may cease to supply gas to him and shall not be under any obligation to resume such supply until the default shall have been remedied to their satisfaction.
- (5) The Company shall give notice of effect of the foregoing provisions of this section—
  - (a) (In the case of all persons who at date of the passing of this Act are consumers of gas supplied by the Company) on the demand notes for gas charges payable to the Company issued next after that date; and

(b) (In the case of any person becoming after the A.D. 1927. date of the passing of this Act for the first time a consumer of gas supplied by the Company) on the first of such demand notes delivered to such person after he shall have become a consumer.

- (6) The Company shall have access at all reasonable times to all premises supplied by them with gas in or upon which high-pressure air or other gas is used or the Company have reason to believe that high-pressure air or other gas is or may at the time be used in order to ascertain whether any such valve or appliance as aforesaid is efficient or is in proper order and repair or whether such valve or appliance is provided and fixed where necessary.
- (7) The Company shall be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such valve or other appliance as aforesaid such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing to be done at the expense of the Company if the valve or other appliance be found in proper order but otherwise at the expense of the consumer.
- 21. The Company may within the limits of the Power to Company for the supply of gas lay down and repair lay pipes take up relay or renew mains pipes and culverts for the for purpose of procuring conducting or disposing of any ancillary oil or other materials used by them in or resulting from the manufacture of gas or any residual products thereof or for any purpose connected with the undertaking and the provisions of the Gasworks Clauses Act 1847 with respect to the breaking up of streets for the purpose of laying pipes and for the protection of pipes when laid so far as they are applicable for the purposes of this section shall extend and apply mutatis mutandis to and for the purposes thereof:

Provided that no such main pipe or culvert shall be laid down in any street without the consent in writing of the authority in whom the control or management of the street may be having been first obtained but such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld and any difference arising between the Company and such authority shall be determined by arbitration in manner provided by the Arbitration Act 1889.

Power to take licences for use of patents.

22. The Company may subject to the provisions of this Act for the purposes of the gas undertaking but not so as to acquire any exclusive right therein contract for take and use any licence or authority granting any right or privilege of working using or vending any invention subject to letters patent in relation to the manufacture supply or distribution of gas or the conversion manufacture or utilisation of residual products obtainable in or arising from such manufacture or from the materials used therein.

Company may contract for supply and purchase in bulk.

23. The Company may contract with any local authority company or person for the supply by the Company to them or for the supply to the Company by them of gas in bulk upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon but nothing in this section shall authorise the Company to lay any mains or interfere with any street beyond the limits of supply:

Provided that the Company shall not supply gas under any such contract beyond the limits of supply if and so long as such supply would interfere with the supply of gas within those limits.

#### ELECTRICITY.

Extension of limits of supply for electricity.

24. Subject to the provisions of this Act the limits within which the Company may supply electricity for all public and private purposes shall extend to and include in addition to the existing limits of supply the borough of Arundel the parishes of Ford Climping and Tortington in the rural district of East Preston and the parishes of Middleton Walberton Binsted Slindon and Madehurst in the rural district of Westhampnett all in the county of West Sussex and the Company may within the limits of supply exercise the powers rights privileges and authorities and shall be subject to the duties and obligations which they have may exercise and are subject to within the existing limits of supply.

On failure of Company other under-takers may apply for electricity powers.

25. If after the expiration of five years from the passing of this Act the Company have not in the opinion of the Electricity Commissioners laid down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the supply of electricity in any parish by this Act added to the existing limits of the Company for the supply of electricity the

local authority or any company or person may apply for an Act of Parliament or Special Order for the purpose of providing such a supply and for the repeal of the powers of the Company in that behalf.

26. The Company shall lay down distributing mains Mains &c. reasonably suitable and sufficient for the purposes of a to be laid general supply of electricity throughout every street or down. part of a street mentioned in the First Part of the schedule to this Act within a period of two years after the passing of this Act and throughout every street or part of a street mentioned in the Second Part of the schedule to this Act within a period of three years after the passing of this Act.

27. In the event of a meter of a construction and Period of pattern approved by the Minister of Transport used by error in any consumer of electricity being proved to register defective erroneously such erroneous registration shall be deemed meters. to have first arisen during the then last preceding quarter of the year unless it be proved to have first arisen during the then current quarter The amount of the allowance to be paid to or the surcharge to be made upon the consumer by the Company shall be paid by or to the Company to or by the consumer as the case may be and shall be recoverable in the like manner as charges for electricity are recoverable by the Company.

28.—(1) Any person who shall hinder an officer Entry upon appointed by the Company from entering any premises premises. in pursuance of section 24 (Power to enter lands or premises for ascertaining quantities of electricity consumed or to remove fittings) of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 or from exercising the powers contained in that section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and such penalty shall be recoverable in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

(2) Where any premises which the Company are entitled to enter in pursuance of the said section 24 are unoccupied the Company may after giving not less than forty-eight hours' notice to the owner thereof or if he is unknown to the Company and cannot be ascertained after diligent inquiry after affixing such notice upon a conspicuous part of the premises forcibly enter the same doing no unnecessary damage.

Power to construct electrical sub-stations under streets.

- 29.—(1) Subject to the provisions of the Electricity (Supply) Acts 1882 to 1926 and of the schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899 the Company may with the previous consent in writing of the local authority (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld) construct and maintain in or under any street within the limits of the Company for the supply of electricity and repairable by the inhabitants at large or dedicated to public use sub-stations transforming stations and other works in connection with the electricity undertaking and may in any such street provide and maintain all such means of access and approach to such sub-stations transforming stations and works as may be necessary or convenient Provided that any difference arising under this section between the Company and the local authority shall be determined by arbitration in the manner provided by the Arbitration Act 1889.
- (2) Nothing in this section shall prejudice or affect the right of the Company to construct boxes in streets under and subject to the provisions of section 13 of the schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899 as amended by any subsequent Act.
- (3) No sub-station transforming station or other work in connection with the electricity undertaking shall be constructed under the powers of this section so as to obstruct or interfere with the access to or exit from any station or depôt of the Southern Railway Company or upon or under any bridge of such company or the approaches thereto except with the consent in writing of that company but such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. Any question as to whether such consent is unreasonably withheld shall be referred to the arbitration of a single arbitrator to be appointed failing agreement by the President of the Institution of Civil Engineers.

Amendment of section 39 of Act of 1912.

30. Section 39 (Agreements for supply of electrical energy) of the Act of 1912 shall be read and have effect as if the words "confirmed by Parliament" were omitted therefrom.

## CHANGE OF NAME.

Change of name of Company.

31. The name of the Company shall be changed as on and from the passing of this Act to "the Bognor Gas

and Electricity Company" and by that name the A.D. 1927. Company shall have a common seal.

## FINANCIAL PROVISIONS.

- 32.—(1) The Company may from time to time raise Additional additional capital not exceeding in the whole forty capital. thousand pounds by the creation and issue of further amounts of consolidated ordinary stock "A" or by the creation and issue of new preference shares or stock or wholly or partly by one or more of those modes respectively.
- (2) The Company may also from time to time raise additional capital not exceeding in the whole sixty thousand pounds by the creation and issue of further amounts of new consolidated stock or by the creation and issue of new preference shares or stock or wholly or partly by one or more of those modes respectively.

## (3) Provided that—

- (a) it shall not be lawful for the Company to create and issue under the powers of this Act any greater nominal amount of capital than shall be sufficient to produce including any premium or allowing for discounts as the case may be the sum of one hundred thousand pounds;
- (b) the Company shall not issue any share of less nominal value than ten pounds.
- 33. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act Power to of 1908 the Company may raise by the creation and issue of new preference shares or stock any moneys which they or stock are authorised by that Act to raise by the creation and issue of consolidated ordinary stock "A."

issue preference shares instead of ordinary stock.

34.—(1) Except as provided by section 51 (Divi- Limit of dends dependent on price charged) of the Act of 1908 dividend. as amended by the Order of 1922 the Company shall not in any year declare or pay out of their profits any larger dividend on the consolidated ordinary stock "A" issued under the powers of this Act than at the rate of five pounds in respect of every one hundred pounds of the nominal amount of such stock and such rate shall be deemed to be the standard rate of dividend in respect of such stock.

- (2) The Company shall not in any year declare or pay out of their profits any larger dividend on the new consolidated stock issued under the powers of this Act than at the rate of seven pounds in respect of every one hundred pounds of the nominal amount of such stock.
- (3) The Company shall not in any year declare or pay out of their profits any larger dividend on any preference shares or stock issued under the powers of this Act than at the rate of six pounds in respect of every one hundred pounds of the nominal value of such shares or stock.

New shares or stock to be subject to the same incidents as other shares or stock. 35. Except as by this Act otherwise provided capital in shares or stock created by the Company under this Act and the shares or stock therein and the holders thereof respectively shall be subject and entitled to the same powers provisions liabilities rights privileges and incidents whatsoever in all respects as if that capital were part of the now existing capital of the Company of the same class or description and the shares or stock were shares or stock in that capital.

New shares or stock to form part of capital of Company.

36. The capital in new shares or stock so created shall form part of the capital of the Company.

Restriction as to votes in respect of preference stock.

**37.** Except as otherwise expressly provided by the resolution creating the same no person shall be entitled to vote in respect of any shares or stock created by the Company under this Act to which a preferential dividend shall be assigned.

Dividends on new shares or stock.

38. Every person who becomes entitled to amounts of consolidated ordinary stock "A" or new consolidated stock or to new preference shares or stock created by the Company under this Act shall be entitled to a dividend with the other holders of shares or stock of the same class or description proportioned to the whole amount from time to time called up and paid on such consolidated ordinary stock "A" new consolidated stock or new preference shares or stock as the case may be.

Sale of shares or stock by auction or tender.

- 39.—(1) All shares or stock created by the Company after the passing of this Act shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- (2) All shares or stock so to be issued shall be offered for sale by public auction or tender in such manner at

such times and subject to such conditions of sale as the A.D. 1927. directors shall from time to time determine Provided as follows:—

- (a) Notice of the intended sale shall be given in writing to the clerk of the council of every urban and rural district wholly or partly within the limits of the Company for the supply of gas and electricity and to the secretary of the London Stock Exchange at least fourteen days before the day of auction or the last day for the reception of tenders as the case may be and shall also be duly advertised once in each of two consecutive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating within the said limits;
- (b) A reserve price shall be fixed and notice thereof shall be sent by the Company in a sealed letter to be received by the Board of Trade not less than twenty-four hours before but not to be opened till after the day of auction or last day for the receipt of tenders as the case may be;
- (c) No lot offered for sale shall comprise shares or stock of greater nominal value than one hundred pounds;
- (d) In the case of a sale by tender no preference shall be given to one of two or more persons tendering the same sum except that the offer by tender of any holder of shares or stock of the Company may be accepted in preference to the offer of the same sum by any person not such a holder as aforesaid and preference may in like manner be given to the offer of any employee of the Company or consumer of gas or electricity supplied by the Company;
- (e) In the case of a sale by auction a bid shall not be recognised unless it is in advance of the last preceding bid;
- It shall be one by the conditions of sale that the total sum payable by the purchaser shall be paid to the Company within three months after the date of the auction or of the acceptance of the tender as the case may be.
- (3) Any shares or stock which have been so offered for sale and are not sold may be offered at the reserve

A.D. 1927. price to the holders of consolidated stock and preference shares or stock of the Company in accordance with the provisions of sections 18 19 and 20 of the Companies Clauses Act 1863 and to the employees of the Company and to the consumers of gas or electricity supplied by the Company in such proportions as the Company may think fit or to one or more of these classes of persons only:

> Provided in the case of an offer to holders of shares or stock that if the aggregate amount of shares or stock applied for shall exceed the aggregate amount so offered as aforesaid the same shall be allotted to and distributed amongst the applicants as nearly as may be in proportion to the amounts applied for by them respectively.

- (4) Any shares or stock which have been offered for sale in accordance with subsection (2) or with subsections (2) and (3) of this section and are not sold may be disposed of for the purpose of realising the best price obtainable at such price and in such manner as the directors may determine.
- (5) As soon as possible after the conclusion of the sale or sales the Company shall send a report thereof to the Board of Trade stating the total amount of the respective shares or stock sold the total amount obtained as premium (if any) and the highest and lowest prices obtained for the respective shares or stock.

Power to borrow.

- 40.—(1) The Company may subject to the provisions of this Act but without the certificate of a justice of the peace from time to time raise by borrowing on mortgage of the undertaking in respect of their capital issued at the passing hereof any sum or sums not exceeding in the whole thirty-nine thousand two hundred and fifty pounds.
- (2) The Company may in respect of any capital issued by them after the passing of this Act under the authority of the Act of 1908 the Act of 1912 or this Act from time to time raise by borrowing on mortgage of the undertaking any sum or sums not exceeding in the whole one half of the amount (including premiums or allowing for discounts as the case may be) which at the time of borrowing has been raised by the issue of such capital but no sum shall be borrowed in respect of any such capital until the Company shall have proved to a justice of the peace before he gives his certificate under the

fortieth section of the Companies Clauses Consolidation A.D. 1927. Act 1845 that the whole of the amounts payable in respect of such capital have been fully paid up.

41. The Company may create and issue debenture Power to stock subject to the provisions of Part III of the Com- create panies Clauses Act 1863 as amended by the Companies debenture Clauses Act 1869 and of section 37 (Debenture stock) of the Act of 1908.

42. All money to be raised by the Company on Priority of mortgage or by the creation and issue of debenture stock mortgages under the provisions of this Act and the interest due or debenthereon shall have priority against the Company and over other the property from time to time of the Company over all claims. other claims on account of any debts incurred or engagements entered into by them after the passing of this Act Provided always that this priority shall not affect any claim against the Company or their property in respect of any rentcharge granted or to be granted by them in pursuance of the Lands Clauses Acts or in respect of any rent or sum reserved or payable under any lease granted or made to the Company which is entitled to rank in priority to or pari passu with the interest on their mortgages or debenture stock.

43. All mortgages granted by the Company in Existing pursuance of the powers of any Act of Parliament before mortgages the passing of this Act and subsisting at the passing to have hereof shall during the continuance of such mortgages priority. hereof shall during the continuance of such mortgages and subject to the provisions of the Act of 1908 have priority over any mortgages granted by virtue of this Act but nothing in this section contained shall affect any priority of the interest of any debenture stock at any time created and issued by the Company.

44. The mortgagees of the undertaking may enforce Appoint. payment of arrears of interest or principal or principal ment of and interest due on their mortgages by the appointment receiver. of a receiver and in order to authorise the appointment of a receiver in respect of arrears of principal the amount owing to the mortgagees by whom the application for a receiver is made shall not be less than ten thousand pounds in the whole.

45. If the clear profits of the undertaking in any Application year amount to a larger sum than is sufficient to pay

of excess of profits over authorised rates of dividend.

the dividend at the authorised rates on the capital of the Company the excess shall be left at the credit of the profit and loss (net revenue) account of the undertaking and be carried forward to the next following year:

Provided that it shall not be lawful for the Company to carry forward at the end of any year to the credit of the said account any sum exceeding the total of the following amounts (that is to say):—

- (a) The amount required by the Company for paying any dividend or interest which the Company are entitled or required to pay but have not paid in respect of that year;
- (b) An amount equal to the total sum which the Company would be lawfully entitled to distribute as dividends on their preference and ordinary capital in respect of the next following year having regard to the price charged by them for gas at the commencement of that year; and
- (c) An amount equal to the total sum which the Company will be required to pay during the next following year as interest on any mortgages or debenture stock.

Renewal funds.

- 46.—(1) The directors may if they think fit in any year appropriate out of the revenue of the Company arising from the gas undertaking as part of the expenditure on revenue of such undertaking any sum not exceeding an amount equal to one per centum of the capital for the time being expended on the gas undertaking to a fund to be called "the gas renewal fund."
- (2) The directors may if they think fit in any year appropriate out of the revenue of the electricity undertaking as part of the expenditure on revenue of such undertaking any sum not exceeding an amount equal to one per centum of the capital for the time being expended on the electricity undertaking to a fund to be called "the electricity renewal fund."
- (3) The gas renewal fund and the electricity renewal fund respectively shall be applicable only to meet expenses requisite for the maintenance and renewal of gas or electricity plant and works as the case may be (other than expenses incurred in the replacement or removal of plant or works) and shall be so applied from time to time for the purpose of equalising as far

as may be the annual charge to revenue in respect of A.D. 1927. such expenses.

- (4) The maximum amount standing to the credit of the gas renewal fund and the electricity renewal fund respectively shall not at any time exceed an amount equal to one-twentieth part of the capital for the time being expended on the gas undertaking or the electricity undertaking as the case may be.
- 47.—(1) The directors may from time to time Redeemable by virtue of this Act and without further or other preference sanction issue so as to be redeemable at such times and in such manner and on and subject to such terms and conditions as the directors at the time of the issue stock. thereof determine any preference shares or stock or debenture stock (all of which are in this section included in the expression "stock") created by the Company under the powers of the Bognor Gas and Electricity Acts and Orders 1908 to 1927.

shares or stock and debenture

(2) The Company may for the purpose of providing money for paying off the stock create and issue (subject as regards preference shares or stock to the provisions of the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "Sale of shares or stock by auction or tender") or for the purpose of providing substituted stock in exchange either for stock issued under the powers of this section or for stock issued under the Consent of 1921 create and issue (free from the said provisions) new stock (either redeemable or irredeemable) or re-issue stock originally created and issued as aforesaid:

Provided that the creation and issue for that purpose of any particular class of stock does not make the total nominal amount of such stock exceed the amount of that class of stock which the Company are for the time being authorised to create except during the necessary interval between the creation and issue of the new stock and the redemption of the old stock.

- (3) The Company shall not redeem out of revenue any stock so created as aforesaid.
- 48. If any money is payable to a shareholder Receipt in mortgagee or debenture stockholder being a minor case of idiot or lunatic the receipt of the guardian or committee persons not of his estate shall be a sufficient discharge to the sui juris. Company.

Application of moneys.

- 49.—(1) All money raised under this Act including premiums shall be applied only to purposes to which capital is properly applicable and any sum of money which may arise by way of premium from the issue of shares or stock under the provisions of this Act shall not be considered as part of the capital of the Company entitled to dividend.
- (2) The Company may apply to any of the purposes of this Act to which capital is properly applicable any moneys which they have raised or are authorised to raise under the Act of 1908 the Act of 1912 or the Consent of 1921.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Meetings of Company.

50. Notwithstanding anything in the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 or in any Act relating to the Company the Company may by a resolution of a general meeting at any time determine that the future ordinary meetings of the Company shall be held once only in each year in such month as the directors may from time to time determine and the Company may from time to time in like manner alter or rescind any such resolution.

Notices of meetings.

51. Notwithstanding anything in the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 notice of all meetings of the Company whether ordinary or extraordinary may (if the directors so determine) be given by letter or circular sent by post to each shareholder or stockholder instead of by public advertisement Provided that the letters or circulars giving the notice shall be directed according to the registered address or other known address of each shareholder or stockholder prepaid and posted not later than seven clear days before the date of the meeting. In proving that any such notice has been given it shall be sufficient to prove that the letter or circular containing the notice was properly addressed and put into the Post Office as a prepaid letter or circular not later than the time hereby prescribed.

Interim dividends and annual accounts.

- 52. If and so long as the ordinary meetings of the Company shall be held once only in each year—
  - (1) It shall be lawful for the directors on or after the thirtieth day of June in any year without

the sanction of a general meeting to declare A.D. 1927. and pay an interim dividend on any class or classes of shares or stock in the capital of the Company out of the profits of the Company available for dividend on account of the dividend for that year to be declared at the next following annual general meeting:

Provided that no such interim dividend shall:

- (a) as respects any consolidated ordinary stock "A" or consolidated ordinary stock "B" be at any greater rate than the authorised rate of dividend on such stock in respect of the half year ending on such thirtieth day of June calculated in accordance with the provisions of section 51 (Dividends dependent on price charged) of the Act of 1908 as amended by the Order of 1922;
- (b) as respects any new consolidated stock exceed one half of the amount of the maximum dividend on such stock; and
- (c) as respects any preference shares or stock exceed one half of the annual dividend assigned to such preference shares or stock:
- (2) The balance sheet and accounts made up by the Company in accordance with section 116 of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 shall so far as the same relate to the profit or loss of the Company relate to the transactions of the Company in the course of the preceding year.

53.—(1) The directors may close the register of Closing of transfers for a period not exceeding fourteen days transfer previous to the declaration of any dividend and they books. may close the registers of transfers of mortgages and debenture stock for a period not exceeding fourteen days previous to each date at which the interest thereon shall be payable and in the case of any such register they may fix a day for closing the same of which seven days' notice shall be given either by circular to each proprietor or by advertisement in a newspaper circulating in the limits of the Company for the supply of gas and electricity.

(2) Any transfer of shares or stock or mortgages or debenture stock made during the time when the register of transfers of such shares stock or security is so closed shall as between the Company and the person claiming under the same but not otherwise be considered as made subsequent to the declaration of any such dividend or the payment of any such interest as the case may be.

As to register of share-holders &c.

54. Notwithstanding anything in the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 it shall not be obligatory upon the Company to authenticate by the affixing of their common seal or otherwise the register of shareholders or stockholders.

As to appointment of proxies.

55. Notwithstanding anything in the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 the attorney of any shareholder or stockholder duly authorised in writing may appoint a proxy to vote for and on behalf of the shareholder or stockholder and for that purpose may execute on behalf of the shareholder or stockholder the necessary form of proxy Provided that the instrument appointing the attorney shall be transmitted to the secretary of the Company at the same time as the instrument appointing the proxy.

Joint holders.

Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 where several persons are jointly entitled to and registered as holders of any shares or stock any one of those persons may vote at any meeting either personally or by proxy in respect of the shares or stock as if he were solely entitled thereto but if more than one of the joint holders be present at any meeting personally or by proxy that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register in respect of the shares or stock shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof Several executors or administrators of a deceased member in whose name any shares or stock stands shall for the purposes of this section be deemed joint holders thereof.

As to appoint-ment of managing director.

57.—(1) The directors may appoint one or two of their body to be managing director or managing directors of the Company either for a fixed term or without limitation as to time and may remove or dismiss him or them from office and appoint another or others in his or their place or places.

(2) A managing director shall not while holding that A.D. 1927. office be subject to retirement by rotation and shall not be taken into account in determining the rotation of retirement of directors but if he ceases to hold the office of director from any other cause he shall ipso facto immediately cease to be a managing director.

- (3) The remuneration of a managing director shall from time to time be fixed by the directors and may be by way of salary or commission or participation in profits or by any or all of those modes.
- (4) The directors may entrust to and confer upon any managing director such of the powers exerciseable by the directors and subject to such conditions as they think fit and may from time to time revoke withdraw alter or vary all or some of such powers.
- 58. Where the payment of more than one sum Several by any person is due under any Act or Order for the sums in one time being relating to the Company any summons or summons. warrant issued for the purposes of any such Act or Order in respect of that person may contain in the body thereof or in a schedule thereto all the sums payable by him.

59. In addition to the powers which the directors Determinamay exercise under the Companies Clauses Consolidation tion of Act 1845 and the Companies Clauses Act 1863 as amended remuneraby subsequent Acts they may determine the remuneration of the secretary of the Company.

tion of secretary.

- 60. It shall be lawful for the Company at any time Auditors. by resolution passed at a general meeting to decide that the audit of the Company's accounts shall be made by a single auditor qualified as hereinafter provided or by a firm of accountants the members whereof are so qualified and from and after the passing of such resolution the following provisions shall apply:—
  - (a) Such auditor or the members of such firm shall be a member or members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants or of the Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors or an accountant or accountants approved by the Board of Trade;

- (b) Such auditor or the members of such firm need not hold shares or stock in the capital of the Company;
- (c) Nothing in this section shall prevent any person who at the date of the passing of such resolution is an auditor of the Company from continuing to act as such auditor if duly appointed.

Purchase of houses for employees.

61. The Company may purchase or take on lease and maintain houses and buildings for employees and offices showrooms and other buildings for the purposes of the undertaking and may also erect fit up maintain and let any such buildings upon any lands for the time being belonging or leased to the Company.

Power to grant pensions &c.

- 62.—(1) The directors may grant such gratuities pensions or allowances or make such other payments as they may think fit to any employee or (where in any particular case no adequate provision is in their opinion otherwise made) to the widow or family or any dependant of such employee.
- (2) The directors may enter into and carry into effect agreements with any insurance company or other association or company for securing to any employee widow family or dependant such gratuities pensions allowances or payments as are by this section authorised to be granted or made.
- (3) The directors may subscribe or make donations to any fund raised in any case of national emergency or to infirmaries hospitals and convalescent homes and other institutions and objects or to the benevolent and sick funds of the employees.
- (4) The directors may apply the revenues of the Company for any of the purposes of this section.

Charges for special reading of meters.

63. The Company may levy and recover such charges as they think fit for taking at the request of and for the convenience of consumers of gas or electricity at times other than those of the Company's periodical readings the reading of any meter fixed in a house which is either in whole or in part let furnished:

Provided that such charges shall not exceed the sum of one shilling for each reading taken within the urban

district of Bognor and two shillings for each reading taken elsewhere than in the said urban district.

64. The Company shall not under the powers of this Works Act construct on over or under the shore or bed of the sea or of any creek bay arm of the sea or navigable river communicating therewith below high-water mark of ordinary spring tides any work without the previous consent of the Board of Trade to be signified in writing without under the hand of one of the secretaries or assistant secretaries of the Board of Trade and then only according to such plan and under such restrictions and regulations as the Board of Trade may approve of in writing under hand as last aforesaid and where any such work may have been constructed the Company shall not at any time alter or extend the same without obtaining previously to making any alteration or extension the like consent or approval If any work be commenced altered extended or completed contrary to the provisions of this section the Board of Trade may abate and remove the same and restore the site thereof to its former condition at the cost and charge of the Company and the amount of such costs and charges shall be a debt due from the Company to the Crown and shall be recoverable as a Crown debt or summarily.

below high-water mark not to be constructed consent of Board of

65. Penalties imposed under any Act or Order for Penalties the time being relating to the Company for one and the not cumusame offence shall not be cumulative.

66. Save as otherwise by this Act expressly provided Recovery all offences against any Act or Order for the time being of penalties relating to the Company and all penalties forfeitures &c. costs and expenses imposed or recoverable under any such Act or Order or any byelaw made in pursuance thereof may be prosecuted and recovered in a summary manner Provided that costs or expenses except such as are recoverable along with a penalty shall not be recovered as penalties but may be recovered summarily as civil debts.

· 67. Proceedings for the recovery of any demand Recovery of made under the authority of any Act or Order for the demands. time being relating to the Company whether provision is or is not made for the recovery in any specified court or manner may be taken in any county court having

A.D. 1927. otherwise jurisdiction in the matter provided that the demand does not exceed the amount recoverable in that court in a personal action.

Repeal &c.

68.—(1) The following provisions of the undermentioned Acts are hereby repealed (that is to say):—

The Act of 1908—

Section 30 (Application of excess of profits over authorised rate of dividend);

Section 32 (New stock to be sold by auction or tender);

Section 34 (Power to borrow in respect of capital);

Section 36 (For appointment of a receiver);

Section 38 (Debenture stock to be sold by auction or tender);

Section 53 (Charges for gas supplied by means of prepayment meters);

Section 54 (Testing place);

Section 55 (Quality);

Section 56 (Pressure of gas);

Section 58 (Power to hold licences under Letters Patent);

Section 62 (Period of error in defective meters);

Section 63 (Discounts);

Section 64 (Dwelling-houses for workmen);

Section 65 (As to specification of internal fittings and construction and placing of pipes &c. between mains and consumers' premises);

Section 66 (Anti-fluctuators for gas engines);

Section 67 (Saving as to penalties);

Section 68 (Company may contract with local authority &c. for supply in bulk).

The Act of 1912--

Section 12 (Application of sections of Act of 1908 as to auction);

Section 17 (Power to borrow);

- [17 & 18 Geo. 5.] Bognor Gas and Electricity Act, 1927.
  - Section 18 (Reduction of capital if electricity A.D. 1927. powers not exercised);
  - Section 19 (For appointment of receiver);
  - Section 31 (Several sums in one summons);
  - Section 32 (Penalties not cumulative);
  - Section 33 (Recovery of penalties &c.);
  - Section 34 (Recovery of demands).
  - (2) The Consent of 1921 is hereby annulled.
- 69. All costs charges and expenses preliminary to Costs of and of and incident to the preparing applying for obtain-Act. ing and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company and may in whole or in part be defrayed out of revenue.

# The SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Act.

List of streets throughout which the Company are to lay down distributing mains reasonably suitable and sufficient for the purposes of a general supply of electricity within the periods specified in this Act:—

#### PART I.

In the borough of Arundel—

High Street (from Maltravers Street to Queen's Street); Queen's Street (from High Street to B.M. 8.3); Maltravers Street (from High Street to Surrey Street); Surrey Street; Tarrant Street.

In the rural district of Westhampnett-

Parish of Pagham-

Fish Lane Aldwick Street from the end of Fish Lane to the Cross Roads Gossamer Lane from the Cross Roads to the commencement of Willowhale Road.

Parish of Felpham—

The Bognor to Littlehampton Road from the boundary of the urban district of Bognor at the Rife Bridge through Felpham Village to the Southdowns Hotel.

#### PART II.

Parish of Yapton—

The Chichester to Littlehampton Road from the Barnham parish boundary to the boundary of the parish of Ford at Burndell.

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