

CHAPTER iv.

An Act to extend the period limited for the construction A.D. 1312. and completion of Railway No. 1 authorised by the Wirral Railway Act 1898 and to extend the time for the sale of surplus lands.

[25th June 1912.]

WHEREAS by the Wirral Railway (Amalgamation) Act 1891 the undertakings of the Wirral Railway Company and the Seacombe Hoylake and Deeside Railway Company were amalgamated and those companies were dissolved and re-incorporated under the name of the Wirral Railway Company (in this Act called "the Company"):

And whereas by the Wirral Railway Act 1895 (in this Act referred to as "the Act of 1895") the Company were authorised to make a railway and other works near Seacombe:

And whereas by the Wirral Railway Act 1898 (in this Act referred to as "the Act of 1898") the Company were authorised to make the railways and works therein described and to abandon the railway authorised by the Act of 1895:

And whereas by the Wirral Railway Acts 1903 and 1906 (in this Act referred to as "the Acts of 1903 and 1906") the powers for the compulsory purchase of lands for the purposes of the railways and works authorised by the Act of 1898 were revived and extended:

And whereas by the Wirral Railway (Extension of Time) Act 1909 the powers of the Company for the compulsory purchase of lands for the purposes of the railways and works authorised by the Act of 1898 as revived and extended by the Acts of 1903 and 1906 were further extended to the twenty-

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A.D. 1912. fifth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven and by the same Act the powers of the Company for the construction and completion of the said railways and works were also extended to the first day of July one thousand nine hundred and twelve:

And whereas since the passing of the Act of 1906 Railway No. 2 authorised by the Act of 1898 has been constructed and all the land has been acquired by the Company for the purposes of Railway No. 1 but in consequence of circumstances over which the Company have no control the Company have deemed it advisable to defer the construction of Railway No. 1 and it is therefore expedient that the time limited by the Act of 1898 as extended by the Acts of 1903 1906 and 1909 for the construction and completion of Railway No. 1 and the works connected therewith should be further extended as by this Act provided:

And whereas it is also expedient that the Company should have power to deal with superfluous lands as in this Act provided and that the other powers contained in this Act should be sanctioned:

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 present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows (that is to say):—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Wirral Railway (Extension of Time) Act 1912.

Incorporation of general Acts.

2. The following Act and part of Act are (except where the same are expressly varied by this Act) incorporated with and form part of this Act (namely):—

The Railways Clauses Consolidation Act 1845; and

Part II. (relating to extension of time) of the Railways Clauses Act 1863.

Interpretation. 3. 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

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there be something in the subject or context repugnant to or A.D. 1912. inconsistent with such construction And in this Act-

The expression "the Company" means the Wirral Railway Company;

The expressions "the Act of 1898" "the Act of 1903" "the Act of 1906" and "the Act of 1909" mean the Wirral Railway Acts 1898 1903 1906 and 1909;

The expression "the railway" means Railway No. 1 authorised by the Act of 1898.

4. The powers granted by the Act of 1898 as extended by Extension of the Acts of 1903 1906 and 1909 for the construction and time for concompletion of Railway No. 1 authorised by the Act of 1898 and railway. the works connected therewith are hereby extended for the period of three years from the first day of July one thousand nine hundred and twelve and on the expiration of that period those powers shall cease except as to so much of the said Railway No. 1 and the works connected therewith as shall then be completed The said extended period shall with reference to the deposit fund mentioned in section 13 of the Act of 1898 be substituted for the period limited by that Act for the completion of the railway.

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5. The Company may apply to the purposes of this Act to Power to which capital is properly applicable any moneys which they are apply funds. by the recited Acts authorised to raise and which may not be required for the purposes of those Acts.

6. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Lands Extending Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 or in any Act relating to the time for disposing of and Company with which that Act is incorporated the periods for dealing with and within which the Company may hold sell and dispose of superfluous lands. any superfluous lands connected with the railway or situate in the parishes named in the schedule to this Act as the case may be are hereby extended for the periods following (that is to say) As regards such of the said lands as are situate near to or adjoining any railway or station of the Company for the period of ten years from the passing of this Act and as regards the other of the said lands for the period of two years from the passing of this Act and the powers contained in section 22 of the Act of 1898 with respect to granting building leases and otherwise dealing with superfluous lands shall extend and apply to the superfluous lands referred to in this section.

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Deposits for future Bills not to be paid out of capital.

7. The Company shall not out of their capital pay or deposit any sum which by any standing order of either House of Parliament now or hereafter in force may be required to be deposited in respect of any application to Parliament for the purpose of obtaining an Act authorising the Company to construct any other railway or to execute any other work or undertaking.

Provision as to general Railway Acts.

8. Nothing in this Act contained shall exempt the Company or the railway from the provisions of any general Act relating to railways or the better and more impartial audit of the accounts of railway companies passed before or after the commencement of this Act or from any future revision or alteration under the authority of Parliament of the maximum rates of fares and charges or of the rates for small parcels authorised by the recited Acts.

Costs of Act.

9. All costs charges and expenses of and incidental to the preparing for obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company.

SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Act.

SUPERFLUOUS LANDS OF THE COMPANY.

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