



ANNO DECIMO & UNDECIMO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

Cap. cxliv.

An Act to authorize the *Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Company* to make certain Branches, and to provide Station Room and other Conveniences in the City of *Chester*, and to raise additional Capital for these Purposes; and for amending the former Acts relating to the said Company.

[9th July 1847.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Eighth Year of the
 Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act for making* 7 & 8 Vict.
a Railway from the River Dee in the County of the City of c. 99.
Chester to Wrexham in the County of Denbigh, to be called "The
North Wales Mineral Railway," whereby a Company was incorporated
 under the Name and Style of "*The North Wales Mineral Railway*
Company:" And whereas an Act was passed in the Ninth Year of
 the Reign of Her said Majesty, intituled *An Act to authorize the* 8 & 9 Vict.
North Wales Mineral Railway Company to extend their Line to c. 115.
Ruabon, and to make a Branch Railway from Rhos Robin to Minera,
and to raise additional Capital for those Purposes: And whereas
 another Act was passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Her said
 Majesty, intituled *An Act to authorize the North Wales Mineral* 9 & 10 Vict.
Railway c. 250.
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8 & 9 Vict.
c. 42.9 & 10 Vict.
c. 251.9 & 10 Vict.
c. 274.9 & 10 Vict.
c. 275.Powers of
recited Acts
extended to
this Act.

Railway Company to make certain Branches, and also to make a Deviation in their present Line of Railway: And whereas another Act was passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act for making a Railway from Shrewsbury in the County of Salop to Ruabon in the County of Denbigh, to be called "The Shrewsbury, Oswestry, and Chester Junction Railway,"* and by the said Act a Company was incorporated under the Name and Style of "*The Shrewsbury, Oswestry, and Chester Junction Railway Company*:" And whereas an Act was passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act for the Consolidation of the Shrewsbury, Oswestry, and Chester Junction and the North Wales Mineral Railway Companies,* whereby the said Companies were consolidated under the Name of "*The Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Company*:" And whereas another Act was passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Her said Majesty, intituled *An Act to authorize the Shrewsbury, Oswestry, and Chester Junction Railway Company to make Railways to Crickheath and Wem, and to raise additional Capital for those Purposes*: And whereas another Act was passed in the Tenth Year of Her said Majesty, intituled *An Act to authorize the Shrewsbury, Oswestry, and Chester Junction Railway Company to make an Extension into Shrewsbury, and certain Alterations and Deviations in their Line of Railway*: And whereas the Railways and Works authorized to be made by the said recited Acts are now being made, and have been in part completed and opened for the Service of the Public: And whereas it is expedient that the said *Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Company* should be authorized to make the Branch Railways herein-after described: And whereas it is also expedient that the said Company should be empowered to construct and erect a Station, with a Depôt or Depôts, Workshops, Sheds, and other Conveniences in the Parish of *Saint John the Baptist* in the City of *Chester* and County of the same City: And whereas it is also expedient that some of the Powers and Provisions of the said recited Acts should be altered and amended, enlarged and explained, but these several Purposes 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 Queen'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, That all the Provisions contained in the said several recited Acts, so far as the same are or may be applicable and are now in force, and except such of them as are by this Act repealed, altered, or otherwise provided for, or as may be inconsistent with such of the Provisions of the "*Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845,*" or of the "*Railways Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845,*" as are incorporated in the said recited Acts or this Act, shall extend to this Act and the several Purposes thereof, and to the several Matters and Things hereby authorized to be done, as fully and effectually as if the said Provisions were re-enacted in this Act in reference to such Purposes, Matters, and Things, and the said Acts and this Act shall be construed and read together as forming One Act.

Provisions
of 8 & 9 Vict.
cc.18. and 20.

II. And be it enacted, That all the Provisions of the said "*Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845,*" and of the said "*Railways Clauses Consolidation*

Consolidation Act, 1845," which are applicable to and are not inconsistent with the Provisions of this Act, shall be held to apply to the Purposes of this Act, and be read and construed as forming Part of this Act. to apply to this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That in citing this Act in other Acts of Parliament, and in legal Instruments, Parliamentary Notices, and other Proceedings, it shall be sufficient to use the Expression "The *Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Act, 1847.*" Short Title.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said *Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Company* to make and maintain the several Branch Railways, and to construct and erect the Station herein-after mentioned, with all proper Works and Conveniences connected respectively therewith; (that is to say,) Power to make Branch Railways and Station.

1. A Branch Railway, commencing by a Junction with the Line of the *Chester and Holyhead Railway* at or near a Field, Number 19, in the Parish of *Saint Oswald* in the City of *Chester* and County of the same City, on the Parliamentary Plans of the said *Chester and Holyhead Railway*, and to pass through or into the said Parish of *Saint Oswald* in the said City of *Chester* and County of the same City, and to terminate at or near to a House called "The Railway Inn," in the Occupation of *Mary Avison*, in the said Parish of *Saint Oswald* in the said City of *Chester* and County of the same City.

2. Also another Branch Railway, commencing by a Junction with the Line of the *Chester and Birkenhead Railway* at or near a Field, Number 8, in the said Parish of *Saint Oswald* in the said City of *Chester* and County of the same City, on the Parliamentary Plans of the said *Chester and Birkenhead Railway*, and to pass through or into the said Parish of *Saint Oswald*, and to terminate at or near to a House called "The Railway Inn," in the Occupation of *Mary Avison*, in the said Parish of *Saint Oswald* in the said City of *Chester* and County of the same City.

And a Station, with a Depôt or Depôts, Workshops, Sheds, and other Conveniences, in the Parish of *Saint John the Baptist* in the said City of *Chester* and County of the same City.

V. And whereas the estimated Expence of making the Branch Railways and Works aforesaid, and of constructing and erecting the said Station, Depôt, Workshops, Sheds, and other Conveniences connected therewith is One hundred and four thousand six hundred Pounds; be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to raise, by the Creation of new Shares in the said Company, in addition to the Sums of Money which they are by the said recited Acts authorized to raise, any further Sum of Money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand Pounds. Power to raise additional Capital by Creation of new Shares.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Capital so to be raised by the Creation of new Shares shall be divided into Shares of such Amount as will conveniently allow the same to be apportioned according to the Order of any General or Special General Meeting of the Company, New Shares to form Part of general Capital.
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and shall be considered as Part of the General Capital, and shall be subject to the same Provisions in all respects, whether with reference to the Payment of Calls, or the Forfeiture of Shares on the Nonpayment of Calls, or Payment of Interest on Calls or otherwise, as if it had been Part of the original Capital, except as to the Amount of such Shares and the Times of making Calls for such additional Capital, and the Amount of such Calls respectively, all which it shall be lawful for the Directors of the Company to fix from Time to Time, as they shall think fit.

Power to
borrow
Money on
Mortgage.

VII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Company to borrow on Mortgage of the Undertaking by this and the said recited Acts authorized to be made, or on Bond, any Sum not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Thirty-four thousand eight hundred and sixty-six Pounds, besides and exclusive of the Sums of Money already authorized to be borrowed on Mortgage or Bond by the said recited Acts, but no Part of such Sum of Thirty-four thousand eight hundred and sixty-six Pounds shall be borrowed until the whole of the said additional Capital of One hundred and four thousand six hundred and sixty-six Pounds shall have been subscribed for, and One Half of the whole of the Capital of the Company authorized to be raised by this or the said recited Acts shall have been paid up, and all the Powers and Provisions in the said recited Acts contained relating to the borrowing and reborrowing of Money, or the Creation of new Shares and Augmentation of Capital instead of borrowing, or relating to or in anywise affecting Mortgages and Bonds, and Assignments and Transfers thereof, or the several Mortgagees and Bond Creditors or Transferees, shall extend and be applicable to the said Sum of Thirty-four thousand eight hundred and sixty-six Pounds hereby authorized to be raised in the same Manner and to the same Extent as the same are applicable to the Sums authorized to be raised by the said recited Acts.

Interest not
to be paid on
Calls paid up.

VIII. And be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company, out of the Money by this Act or any other Act relating to the said Railway Company authorized to be raised by Calls in respect of Shares, or by the Exercise of any Power of borrowing, to pay Interest to any Shareholder on the Amount of the Calls made in respect of the Shares held by him in the Capital by this Act authorized to be raised: Provided always, that nothing herein-before contained shall be deemed to prevent the said Company from paying to any Shareholder such Interest on Money advanced by him beyond the Amount of the Calls actually made as shall be in conformity with the Provisions in the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, in that Behalf contained.

Deposits for
future Bills
not to be
paid out of
the Com-
pany's Cap-
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IX. And be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company, out of any Money by this Act or any other Act relating to the said Railway Company authorized to be raised for the Purposes of such Act or Acts, to pay or deposit any Sum of Money which by any Standing Order of either House of Parliament, now in force or hereafter to be in force, may be required to be deposited in respect of any Application to Parliament for the Purpose of obtaining an Act authorizing

authorizing the said Company to construct any other Railway, or execute any other Work or Undertaking.

X. And whereas Maps or Plans and Sections of the said Branch Railways, and of the said Station or Station Room, showing the Lines and Levels and Situation thereof respectively, and also Books of Reference containing the Names of the Owners, Lessees, and Occupiers or reputed Owners and Lessees and Occupiers, of Lands or Buildings through which the same are intended to pass, have been deposited with the Clerks of the Peace for the County of *Denbigh*, and with the Clerk of the Peace for the City of *Chester* and County of the same City; be it enacted, That, subject to the Provisions in this and the said recited Acts contained, it shall be lawful for the said Company to make and maintain the said Branch Railways and Station and Works connected with the same respectively, in the Lines and upon the Lands delineated on the said Plans and described in the said Books of Reference, and according to the Levels defined on the said Sections; and to enter upon, take, and use such of the said Lands and Buildings as shall be necessary for such Purpose.

Branch Railways, &c. to be made according to deposited Plans.

XI. And whereas the Formation of the said Station at *Chester* will require that Arrangements be made with the *Chester and Holyhead* Railway Company, with the *Chester and Birkenhead* Railway Company, with the *London and North-western* Railway Company, and with the *Birkenhead, Lancashire, and Cheshire Junction* Railway Company; be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company to enter into such Arrangements with all or any of the said Companies, for the Purposes of making, constructing, or arranging the said Station, and for the working thereof, as to the said Company shall seem meet for the public Accommodation.

Power to treat and arrange with certain Companies as to the Chester Station.

XII. And be it enacted, That notwithstanding any thing to the contrary in this Act contained it shall not be lawful for the *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company, or for any other Company, or any Person under or in execution of this Act, either permanently or temporarily, to enter upon, take, or use any of the Land or Property of the *London and North-western* Railway Company, or in any Manner to alter, vary, or interfere with the said *London and North-western* Railway, or any of the Works appertaining thereto, without the previous Consent in Writing of the said *London and North-western* Railway Company under their Common Seal.

Company not to interfere with the Property of the London and North-western Railway Company.

XIII. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice, diminish, alter, or take away any of the Rights, Privileges, Powers, Franchises, or Authorities of or vested in or belonging to the said *London and North-western* Railway Company, but all their Rights, Privileges, Powers, Franchises, and Authorities under their several Acts of Parliament and otherwise are hereby expressly saved and reserved.

Saving Rights of London and North-western Railway Company.

XIV. And be it enacted, That the Railway hereby authorized to communicate with the *Chester and Holyhead* Railway Company shall

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communicate therewith at the Point where, according to the Plan deposited as in the Act mentioned, such Railway appears to communicate therewith, and at no other Point, without the Consent in Writing of the *Chester and Holyhead* Railway Company under their Common Seal; and that all Communications between the said Railway hereby authorized and the said *Chester and Holyhead* Railway shall be effected in a substantial and workmanlike Manner, by means of connexion Rails and Points, of the Construction and laid in the Manner most approved from Time to Time, and to the entire Satisfaction of the Engineer for the Time being of the said *Chester and Holyhead* Railway Company.

Communications with the Chester and Holyhead Railway to be made at the Expence of the Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Company.

XV. And be it enacted, That the Expence of the Communications hereby authorized with the *Chester and Holyhead* Railway, and of all necessary Openings in the Rails thereof, and of all other Works which may from Time to Time be requisite for effecting, altering, amending, repairing, and maintaining such Rails and Points, and of regulating and adjusting the same, shall be borne and paid by the *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company, and that all such Communications, Openings, and Works shall not only be in the first instance made and done, but shall also from Time to Time be altered, amended, repaired, and maintained to the reasonable Satisfaction of the Engineer for the Time being of the said *Chester and Holyhead* Railway Company, on each Occasion, and in such Manner and Form, and by such Ways and Means, as shall not in anywise prejudice or injure the said *Chester and Holyhead* Railway, or impede, obstruct, or interfere with the free, uninterrupted, and safe Passage along the same.

Company not to interfere with the Property of the Chester and Holyhead Railway Company.

XVI. And be it enacted, That notwithstanding any thing in this Act contained it shall not be lawful for the *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company, or for any other Company, or for any Person under or in execution of this Act, or for any other Purpose, either permanently or temporarily, to enter upon, take, or use any of the Land or Property of the said *Chester and Holyhead* Railway Company, or which they have Power to take under their Acts of Parliament, or in any Manner to vary, alter, or interfere with the said *Chester and Holyhead* Railway, or any of the Works appertaining thereto, save only for the Purpose of effecting the Junction hereby authorized in manner aforesaid.

Saving the Rights of the Chester and Holyhead Railway Company.

XVII. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice, diminish, alter, or take away any of the Rights, Privileges, Powers, Franchises, or Authorities of or vested in or belonging to the said *Chester and Holyhead* Railway Company, but all their Rights, Privileges, Powers, Franchises, and Authorities under their several Acts of Parliament and otherwise are hereby expressly saved and reserved, not only as against and with respect to the said *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company, but also as against and with respect to all other Companies and Persons whomsoever.

Company not to interfere with the

XVIII. And be it enacted, That notwithstanding any thing in this Act contained it shall not be lawful for the *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway

Railway Company, or for any other Company, or for any Person under or in execution of this Act, or for any other Purpose, or in any Manner, either permanently or temporarily, to enter upon, take, or use any of the Land or Property of the *Birkenhead, Lancashire, and Cheshire Junction* Railway Company, or which they have Power to take under their Act of Parliament, or in any Manner to alter, vary, or interfere with the said *Birkenhead, Lancashire, and Cheshire Junction* Railway, or any of the Works appertaining thereto, without the previous Consent in Writing on each Occasion of the said *Birkenhead, Lancashire, and Cheshire Junction* Railway Company.

Property of
Birkenhead,
Lancashire,
and Cheshire
Junction
Railway
Company.

XIX. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice, diminish, alter, or take away any of the Rights, Privileges, Powers, Franchises, or Authorities of or vested in or belonging to the said *Birkenhead, Lancashire, and Cheshire Junction* Railway Company, but all their Rights, Privileges, Powers, Franchises, and Authorities, under their Act of Parliament and otherwise, are hereby expressly saved and reserved, not only as against and with respect to the said *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company, but also as against and with respect to all other Companies and Persons whomsoever.

Saving
Rights of the
Birkenhead,
Lancashire,
and Cheshire
Junction
Railway
Company.

XX. And be it enacted, That notwithstanding any thing in this Act contained it shall not be lawful for the *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company, or for any other Company, or for any Person under or in execution of this Act, or for any other Purpose, or in any Manner, either permanently or temporarily, to enter upon, take, or use any of the Land or Property of the *Chester and Birkenhead* Railway Company, or which they have Power to take under their Acts of Parliament, or in any Manner to alter, vary, or interfere with the said *Chester and Birkenhead* Railway, or any of the Works appertaining thereto, without the previous Consent in Writing, on each Occasion, of the said *Chester and Birkenhead* Railway Company.

Company
not to inter-
fere with the
Property of
Chester and
Birkenhead
Railway
Company.

XXI. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice, diminish, alter, or take away any of the Rights, Privileges, Powers, Franchises, or Authorities of or vested in or belonging to the said *Chester and Birkenhead* Railway Company, but all their Rights, Privileges, Powers, Franchises, and Authorities, under their several Acts of Parliament and otherwise, are hereby expressly saved and reserved, not only as against and with respect to the said *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company, but also as against and with respect to all other Companies and Persons whomsoever.

Saving
Rights of the
Chester and
Birkenhead
Railway
Company.

XXII. And whereas certain Lands or Premises to which the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England* are entitled, or in which the said Commissioners are interested, situate and being in the Parish of *Saint Oswald*, or some Part of the said Lands or Premises, are proposed to be taken or affected under the Powers of this Act; be it therefore enacted, That no Bargain, Arrangement, Contract, Agreement, or Conveyance, either now made or to be made between the said Company, or between any Person or Persons on their Behalf, and any other Person or Persons in any way relating to the said Lands or Premises, shall be binding at Law or in Equity upon the said Commissioners, without

Contracts in
regard to
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cal Commis-
sioners not to
be binding
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without their Assent being first thereto had, to be signified under their Common Seal: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall hinder or prevent or be construed to hinder or prevent the *Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Company from proceeding to take such Lands and Premises as aforesaid, under the compulsory Power of this Act or the Acts therein recited, upon giving Notice of their Intention to do so to the said Commissioners, and to all other necessary Parties in manner by the said recited Act provided.

Former
Mortgages
to have
Priority.

XXIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That all Mortgages or Bonds already granted under the Powers of the said recited Acts or any of them shall have Priority over the Mortgages to be granted under the Powers of this Act.

Lands for ex-
traordinary
Purposes.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That the Extent of Land to be taken by the Company for extraordinary Purposes shall not exceed Twenty Acres, in addition to the Lands authorized to be purchased by the said recited Acts for similar Purposes.

Period for
compulsory
Purchase of
Lands.

XXV. And be it enacted, That the Powers of the Company for the compulsory Purchase of Lands for the Purposes of this Act shall not be exercised after the Expiration of Three Years from the passing of this Act.

Period for
Completion
of Works.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That the said Branch Railways and Station and Works connected with the same respectively shall be completed within Seven Years from the passing of this Act, and on the Expiration of the said Period the Powers by this or the said recited Acts granted to the Company for executing the said Railways, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall cease to be exercised, except as to so much of the said Railways and Works as shall then have been completed.

Company to
take the
same Tolls
as on the
Main Line.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That the Company may, subject to the Provisions of the said recited Act passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "*The Shrewsbury and Chester* Railway Act, 1846," lawfully demand and receive, in respect of the said Branch Railways hereby authorized to be made for or in respect of all Articles, Matters, and Things conveyed upon the same or any Part thereof respectively, and in respect of all Beasts, Cattle, and Animals conveyed in Carriages, and for Carriages conveyed on the same or any Part thereof respectively, and for and in respect of Locomotive Engines or other Power supplied by the Company, and for the Conveyance upon the said Railway or any Part thereof respectively, in Waggons or Carriages belonging to the Company, of any Cattle or other Animals, Goods, Wares, Merchandize, Articles, Metals, and Things, such Amount of Rates, Tolls, or other Charges, as by the said recited Act the Company are authorized to demand and receive; and all Provisions and Regulations in the said recited Act contained relative to the Imposition and Collection and Recovery of Tolls, as also the Powers for leasing Tolls granted by the Act passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "*The Shrewsbury, Oswestry, and Chester Junction* Railway Act, 1845," shall

shall extend and be applicable to the Tolls to be levied by virtue of this Act.

XXVIII. And whereas by the Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Sections of the "*Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Act, 1846*," above recited, certain Provisions and Enactments are made in regard to the Issue and Apportionment of Twenty-seven thousand six hundred new and additional Shares, of the nominal Value of Ten Pounds each, therein called the "remaining Capital," in certain Proportions among the respective Proprietors of Shares in the *North Wales Mineral Railway Company* and the *Shrewsbury, Oswestry, and Chester Junction Railway Company*: And whereas Doubts have arisen as to the true Intent and Meaning of the said Provisions and Enactments, and it is expedient that the said Doubts be removed, and the said Provisions and Enactments explained; be it enacted, That the new Shares or new Certificates of Shares authorized by the said Act to be issued by the Directors of the *Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Company*, and apportioned as aforesaid, whether the same or any Part thereof were issued before the passing of the said recited Act or subsequently thereto, or shall be issued subsequent to the passing of this Act, shall be held to be the new Shares thereby authorized to be issued by the said recited Act; and that the several Parties who prior to the passing of the said Act subscribed for and paid, or who subsequently thereto have subscribed and paid, or shall subscribe and pay the Deposit of One Pound *per* Share on the said Twenty-seven thousand six hundred Shares of Ten Pounds each (being the Capital designated as aforesaid in the said recited Act the "remaining Capital"), shall, according to their said respective Subscriptions and Payments, and subject to the Provisions of the said recited Acts, be the Parties entitled to receive and hold the said Shares of "remaining Capital."

New Shares issued before or after the passing of 9 & 10 Vict. c. 251. or after passing of this Act deemed new Shares.

XXIX. And whereas by the Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Sections of the said "*Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Act, 1846*," before recited, it was enacted, that the Company thereby incorporated should issue to the Proprietors of the Six thousand Twenty Pound Shares of the *North Wales Mineral Railway Company*, and in lieu of the said Shares Six thousand Shares of the nominal Value of Twenty-six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four-pence each, and should likewise issue to the Proprietors of the Fifteen thousand Ten Pound Shares of the said *North Wales Mineral Railway Company*, and in lieu thereof, Fifteen thousand Shares of the nominal Value of Thirteen Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence each: And whereas it was contemplated that the Shareholders of the *North Wales Mineral Railway Company* should have the Advantage of the thereby increased nominal Value of their Stock, and should not be called upon to pay more than Twenty Pounds in the whole upon the said Shares of the increased nominal Value of Twenty-six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four-pence, nor more than Ten Pounds in the whole upon the said Shares of the increased nominal Value of Thirteen Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence, but should be rated in computing the Capital of the said Company, and receive Dividends on the said increased nominal Value, in the same Manner as if the whole of the said nominal Amount had been fully paid up: And whereas Doubts have

Limiting Amount of Payment on Shares of North Wales Mineral Railway Company.

arisen whether the Intention of the Parties in regard to the said several Matters has been sufficiently expressed under the said last-recited Act; be it enacted, That the Holders of the Stock of the said *North Wales Mineral Railway Company*, or their Successors or Assigns, shall not be liable in any event to be called upon for Payment of more than Twenty Pounds in full of each of the Shares of the Stock of the said Company, computed in Terms of the said recited Act as of the nominal Value of Twenty-six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four-pence, nor for Payment of more than Ten Pounds, in full of each of the Shares of the Stock of the said Company, computed as aforesaid as of the nominal Value of Thirteen Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence, and the Holders of the said Stock shall be entitled to receive and draw Dividends as if the aforesaid Additions to the nominal Value of their Shares had been actually paid up.

Periods of
Ordinary
Meetings.

XXX. And whereas it is provided by the said recited Act, 9 and 10 *Victoria*, *Cap. 251*, that the Ordinary Meetings of the Company shall be held half-yearly, in the Months of *April* and *October*: And whereas it has been found inconvenient to hold the Ordinary Meetings during the said Months; be it enacted, That the said Meetings shall from and after the passing of this Act be held half-yearly in the Months of *February* and *August*, and that the first Ordinary Meeting of the Company after the passing of this Act shall be held in the Month of *August* One thousand eight hundred and forty-seven; and all Meetings, whether ordinary or extraordinary, shall be held in the City of *Chester*, or at such other Place or Places as the Directors shall from Time to Time appoint.

Scale of
voting.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That the Scale according to which the Shareholders in the *Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Company* may and shall vote in respect of their Shares shall be as follows; (that is to say,)

For every Three Shares of Twenty-six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four-pence not exceeding Twelve, Four Votes, and for every Three such Shares exceeding Twelve, One additional Vote.

For every Six Shares of Thirteen Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence not exceeding Twenty-four, Four Votes, and for every Six such Shares exceeding Twenty-four, One additional Vote.

For every Four Shares of Twenty Pounds not exceeding Sixteen, Four Votes, and for every Four such Shares exceeding Sixteen, One additional Vote.

For every Eight Shares of Ten Pounds, not exceeding Thirty-two, Four Votes, and for every Eight such Shares exceeding Thirty-Two, One additional Vote.

Qualification
of Directors.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That the Qualification of a Director of the said Company shall be the Possession in his own Right of not less than Four hundred Pounds of the paid-up Capital Stock of the said Company.

Railway and
Company to
be subject

XXXIII. And whereas an Act was passed in the Second Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to provide for the Conveyance*

Conveyance of the Mails by Railway ; and another Act was passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of Her said Majesty, intituled *An Act for regulating Railways* ; and another Act was passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Her said Majesty, intituled *An Act for the better Regulation of Railways, and the Conveyance of Troops* ; and another Act was passed in the Eighth Year of the Reign of Her said Majesty, intituled *An Act to attach certain Conditions to the Construction of future Railways authorized or to be authorized by any Act of the present or succeeding Sessions of Parliament, and for other Purposes in relation to Railways* ; and Two other Acts were passed in the Ninth and Tenth Years of the Reign of Her said Majesty, the one intituled *An Act for regulating the Gauge of Railways*, and the other intituled *An Act for constituting Commissioners of Railways* ; be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be held to exempt the said Branch Railway or the said Company from the Provisions of the said several Acts respectively, but that such Provisions shall be in force in respect to the said Branch Railways and Company so far as the same shall be applicable thereto.

to the Provisions of
1 & 2 Vict.
c. 98.,
3 & 4 Vict.
c. 97.,
5 & 6 Vict.
c. 55.,
7 & 8 Vict.
c. 85., and
9 & 10 Vict.
cc. 57. & 105.

XXXIV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to exempt the said Branch Railways from the Provisions of any general Act relating to Railways which may hereafter pass during the present or any future Session of Parliament, or from any future Revision and Alteration, under the Authority of Parliament, of the maximum Rates of Fares and Charges expressly or by Reference authorized by this Act.

Railways to be subject to Provisions of any future general Act.

XXXV. Provided always, and be it declared and enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to alienate, defeat, lessen, prejudice, or derogate from any Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Franchise, Prerogative, or Authority of or pertaining to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, in right of Her Crown or otherwise.

Saving Rights of the Crown.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That in this Act the following Words and Expressions shall have the Meanings hereby assigned, unless there be any thing in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction ; (that is to say,)

Interpretation of Act.

The Words " Person " and " Parties " shall extend to Corporations, whether aggregate or sole :

The Expressions " the said recited Act," and the " Act above recited," shall mean " The *Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Act, 1846* :"

The Expression " the said recited Acts," shall mean the Acts of Parliament relating to the " *North Wales Mineral Railway Company*," and the " *Shrewsbury, Oswestry, and Chester Junction Railway Company* :"

The Expression " the Company " shall mean " The *Shrewsbury and Chester Railway Company*."

XXXVII. And be it enacted, That all the Costs, Charges, and Expences of and attending the obtaining and passing of this Act, or incidental

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incidental thereto, shall be paid by the Directors of the said Company out of the first Monies that shall come to their Hands, and in preference to any other Payment whatsoever.

Public Act. XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such.

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