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An Act to empower the Norfolk Railway Company to make a Railway from the Lowestoft Railway near Reedham to join the Norwich Extension of the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway near Diss, with a Branch therefrom to Halesworth.

[25th June 1847.]

HEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for 5 & 6 Vict. making a Railway from Great Yarmouth to Norwich in c. 82. the County of Norfolk, whereby a Company was incorporated under the Name of "The Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Company:" And whereas another Act was passed in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for making a 7 & 8 Vict. Railway from Norwich to Brandon, with a Branch to Thetford, c. 15. whereby a Company was incorporated under the Name of the "Norwich and Brandon Railway Company:" And whereas an Act was passed in the Eighth and Ninth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for the Consolidation of the Yarmouth and 8 & 9 Vict. Norwich and Norwich and Brandon Railway Companies, and for [Local.]

authorizing the Construction of certain Works at Norwich in connexion with the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway, by which Act the said Companies were consolidated under the Name of "The Norfolk Railway Company," and the Yarmouth and Norwich and Norwich and Brandon Railways, and all Branches thereof respectively, were vested in the said united Companies under the Name of the "Norfolk Railway:" And whereas the Provisions of the said recited Acts have been amended and enlarged by several subsequent Acts passed respectively in the Eighth and Ninth and Ninth and Tenth Years of the Reign of Her said present Majesty: And whereas the making of a Railway from the Lowestoft Railway near Reedham in the County of Norfolk to join the Norwich Extension of the Ipswich and Bury St. Edmunds Railway at or near Diss, with a Branch to or near to the Town of Halesworth, would be of great public and local Advantage and Convenience, and the said Norfolk Railway Company are desirous to construct and maintain such Railways, if authorized by Parliament so to do: 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 the "Railways Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," cc.18 and 20 and the "Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," shall, so far as the same are applicable and are not modified by this Act, or inconsistent with the Provisions thereof, be held to apply to the Railway, Branch Railway, and Works by this Act authorized to be made, and shall be read and construed as forming Part of this Act.

8 & 9 Vict. extended to this Act.

Extending recited Act to this Act.

II. And be it enacted, That all the Provisions of the said recited Provisions of Act relating to the Norfolk Railway Company, so far as the same are or may be applicable, and now in force, and except such of them as are by this Act repealed, altered, or otherwise provided for, or are inconsistent with the Provisions of the said recited "Lands Clauses Consolidation Act," or of the said "Railways Clauses Consolidation Act," as extended to this Act, shall extend to and be incorporated with this Act in respect of the Railway, Branch Railway, and Works hereby authorized to be constructed as fully and effectually as if the said Provisions were re-enacted in this Act in reference to the said Railway, Branch Railway, and Works, and the said last-mentioned recited Act and this Act shall be construed and read together as forming One Act.

Short Title.

III. And be it enacted, That in citing this Act in other Acts of Parliament and all legal Documents it shall be sufficient to use the Expression "Norfolk Railway, Reedham and Diss Branches, Act, 1847."

Power to raise Money by Creation of new Shares.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to raise for the Purposes of this Act the Sum of Four hundred and thirty thousand Pounds by the Creation of new Shares, in addition to any Sums which they are already authorized to raise; and the new Shares created by virtue of this Act shall be subject to all the Provisions of the said recited Act whereby the Norfolk Railway Company

Company were incorporated relating to their general Capital, except in so far as such Provisions or any of them may be modified by or inconsistent with the Provisions next herein-after contained.

V. And be it enacted, That such new Shares shall be appropriated to and amongst all such of the Shareholders or Scripholders in an Undertaking called the Waveney Valley and Great Yarmouth Rail- among way Company as shall have executed the Subscription Contract for Shareholders the Railway hereby authorized, bearing Date the Thirtieth Day of in Waveney October One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, according to the Pany. Number of Shares subscribed for by them respectively, and the Residue of such new Shares shall be appropriated among the Shareholders of the Norfolk Railway Company in such Manner as shall be determined by the Vote of a General Meeting.

Certain Shares to be appropriated

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Company to Power to borrow such Sums of Money as shall from Time to Time be authorized Money on to be borrowed by Order of a General Meeting of the Company, not Mortgage. exceeding in the whole One Third of the Amount of the Share Capital authorized to be raised under the Authority of this Act, and in addition to the Sum authorized to be borrowed by the said recited Acts, provided that the whole Amount of the Share Capital of the Company shall have been subscribed for, and One Half thereof paid up, and to secure the Repayment of the Sum so borrowed, with Interest, by Mortgage or Bond, in the same Manner, and subject to the same Provisions, as are by the said recited Act relating to the Norfolk Railway Company provided with respect to Money borrowed under the Authority of that Act.

VII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That all Mortgages Former granted by the Company, or for which they were liable, before the Mortgages passing of this Act, and which shall be in force at the Time of the Priority. passing of this Act, shall during the Continuance thereof have Priority over all Mortgages to be created by virtue of this Act.

VIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Company, Power to if they think fit, to raise the Sum by this Act authorized to be bor- convert Loan rowed, or any Part thereof, by creating new Shares or Stock of the into Capital. rowed, or any Part thereof, by creating new Shares or Stock of the Company, instead of borrowing the same, or, having borrowed the same, it shall be lawful for them to pay off such Loan, or any Part thereof, if they so think fit, by creating new Shares or Stock of the Company, but no such Augmentation of Capital shall take place without the previous Order of a General Meeting specially convened for that Purpose.

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

Interest not to be paid on Calls paid up.

X. 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 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 secondly-recited Act in that Behalf contained.

Railway to be made according to deposited Plans.

XI. And whereas Maps or Plans and Sections showing the Line or Situation and Levels of the Railway, Branch Railway, and Works by this Act authorized to be made, together with Books of Reference to the said Plans containing the Names of the reputed Owners and Lessees and of the Occupiers of the Lands which may be required to be taken for the Purposes of the said Railway, Branch Railway, and Works, have been deposited with the Clerks of the Peace of the Counties of Suffolk and Norfolk; be it therefore enacted, That, subject to the Powers of Deviation and the Provisions contained in the said "Railways Clauses Consolidation Act," the said Railway, Branch Railway, and Works shall be made in the Lines or Course 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 it shall be lawful for the said Company to enter upon, take, and use such of the said Lands as shall be necessary for the Purposes aforesaid: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall authorize or empower the said Company to make any Part of the Main Line of the said Railway as delineated on the said Plans as is situate between the Thetford Station of the Norfolk Railway and a certain Field numbered 71 in the Parish of Palgrave.

Line of Railway.

XII. And be it enacted, That the said Railway shall commence by a Junction with the Line of the Lowestoft Railway in the Parish of Raveningham in the said County of Norfolk, and shall terminate by a Junction with the Line of the Norwich Extension of the Ipswich and Bury St. Edmunds Railway as at present authorized to be made in the Parish of Palgrave in the County of Suffolk.

Branch to Halesworth.

XIII. And be it enacted, That the said Branch Railway to Halesworth shall commence by a Junction with the said intended Railway in the Parish of Beccles in the County of Suffolk near the North-east Side of the Town of Beccles, and shall terminate in the Parishes of Halesworth and Holton, or One of them, near the Town of Halesworth in the County of Suffolk.

Not to take Lands of Ipswich and XIV. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to authorize or enable the said Company to take or enter upon any

any of the Lands or Grounds belonging to the Ipswich and Bury Saint Bury St. Edmunds Railway Company, or to alter, vary, or interfere with their Edmunds Railway or any of the Works thereof, further or otherwise than is Company hereby expressly authorized, without the Consent in Writing of the without said Company in every Instance for that Purpose first had and Consent. obtained.

Railway

XV. And be it enacted, That the Junction with the Norwich Ex- As to Comtension of the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway hereby munication authorized to be made, and all such Openings in the Ledges or with other Railways.

Flanches of the said Railway as may be necessary or convenient for effecting such Communications, shall be made under the Direction and Superintendence of the Engineer for the Time being of the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway Company.

XVI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act Saving contained shall extend to prejudice, diminish, alter, or take away any Rights of of the Rights, Privileges, Powers, or Authorities vested in the said Railway Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway Company.

Ipswich, &c. Company.

XVII. And be it enacted, That the said Railway shall be carried As to crossacross the River Waveney at Beccles by an open Wooden Viaduct to ing the River be constructed in such Manner, and according to such Plan and Height Waveney. of Headway, as shall be approved of by the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, such Approval to be signified by Writing under the Hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty, and ample Provision shall be made in the Embankment adjoining the River for the Escape of Flood Waters.

XVIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if at any future Provision in Time the present Railway Bridge at Beccles be altered or be removed, case of Reand a new one substituted, the Company, if and when and so soon as required by the Lord High Admiral, or the said Commissioners for Waveney. executing the Office of the Lord High Admiral, shall so reconstruct the proposed Railway Bridge at Beccles as to make it in every respect equally commodious to the Waterway and Navigation as the altered or new Railway Bridge may be.

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XIX. And be it enacted, That the said Railway shall be carried As to Conacross the River Waveney about One Mile and a Half below the struction of Town of Beccles by a Swingbridge of not less than Forty-four Feet Swing-span, and the Company shall construct all proper and necessary Openings in the Embankment of the said Railway for the Escape of Flood Water to the Satisfaction of the said Lord High Admiral or the said Commissioners.

XX. And be it enacted, That during the Construction of the said Light to be Bridges and Works connected therewith the said Company shall kept burning cause to be hung out or exhibited every Night from Sunset to Sunrise on Bridges. a Light to be kept burning by and at the Expence of the Company for the Navigation and safe Guidance of Vessels, and for ever after the Completion of the said Bridges the said Company shall cause to be hung out or exhibited upon or near to the Centre of each of the [Local.] said

said Bridges every Night from Sunset to Sunrise a good and sufficient Light to be kept burning by and at the Expence of the Company for the Navigation and safe Guidance of Vessels, and which Light shall be from Time to Time altered by the said Company in such Manner and be of such Description, and be so used, as the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, shall by Writing under the Hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty approve of; and in case the said Company shall neglect to exhibit and keep either such Lights burning as aforesaid they shall forfeit and pay for every such Neglect the Sum of Ten Pounds.

Penalty for obstructing Navigation.

XXI. And be it enacted, That it shall not be Iawful for the Company, or any Person or Persons acting under them, to detain any Vessel, Barge, or Boat navigating the said Rivers for a longer Space of Time than may be sufficient to admit of any Carriages or Trains regularly traversing the said Railway, and approaching the said Bridges, to cross the said Rivers, and for opening the said Bridges to admit such Vessel, Barge, or Boat to pass; and in case the Company, or any Person or Persons acting under them, shall detain any such Vessel, Barge, or Boat contrary to the Provisions of this Act, or demand, take, or receive any Toll for the Passage of any Person or Persons, Vessel, Barge, or Boat, the said Company or every Person so offending shall in every such Case forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Pounds; but nothing in this Act shall prevent any Remedy for Damages which any Party may sustain in respect of any such Detention as aforesaid.

If Works abandoned Commissioners may remove the same.

XXII. And be it enacted, That if any Bridge to be constructed by the Company in or across any tidal Water or navigable River, or if any Portion of the Railway which affects any such Water or River or Access thereto, shall be abandoned by the Company, it shall be lawful for the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, to abate and remove the same, or such Part or Parts thereof as he or they may at any Time or Times deem fit and proper, and to restore the Site thereof to its former Condition, at the Cost and Charge of the Company, and the Amount thereof shall be a Debt due from the Company to the Crown, and be recoverable accordingly.

As to the Use of Rail-way by the Ipswich and Bury St. Edmunds Railway Company.

XXIII. And whereas the said Railway by this Act authorized will terminate by a Junction with the Line of the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway as at present authorized to be made at or near to Palgrave in the County of Suffolk, and the Traffic between the said Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway, and Places lying on the Lines of the Railway by this Act authorized, and also Traffic from the Towns of Great Yarmouth and Lowestoft, will pass upon and over the said Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway, and it is expedient that Provision should be made for accommodating and facilitating such Traffic as after mentioned; be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway Company, and all other Companies and Persons lawfully using or intending to use the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway with Engines or Carriages, to use in like Manner the said Railway and Branch Railway by this Act authorized, and such Portions of the Norfolk Railway and Works

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Works as are situated between Reedham and the Town of Great Yarmouth, and also the Lowestoft and Reedham Railway, together with all Stations, Watering Places, Water, Approaches, Sidings, Works, and Conveniences appertaining thereto, and necessary or useful for the working of the Traffic on the said Lines respectively, on such Terms and Conditions, and on Payment only of such reasonable Tolls, Charges, Rent, or other Consideration, as may be agreed upon between the Norfolk Railway Company and the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway Company, or failing such Agreement as shall be settled by the principal Engineers for the Time being of the said Companies respectively, and in case of Difference between them by some Person to be mutually appointed and agreed upon between them; and all the Provisions of the "Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," with reference to Disputes to be settled by Arbitration, shall apply to all Arbitrations between the said Companies.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That all reasonable Accommodation Accommoand Facility shall be afforded by the Norfolk Railway Company at dation to be their several Stations on the said herein-before mentioned Lines or provided for any of them for the booking of Passengers who may be desirous Passengers of being conveyed, and of all Goods conveyed or directed to be con- and Goods. veyed, by any of the Trains of the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway Company which, under the Powers herein-before contained, may start from or arrive at any such Stations; and the additional Expence which the said Norfolk Railway Company may incur in providing such Accommodation, whether in the Employment of Officers or otherwise, shall be borne by the Ipswich and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway Company, the Amount of such Expence to be from Time to Time settled and determined by Agreement between the said Companies, or, in default of such Agreement, in the Manner herein-before provided for the Settlement of Matters in Difference or Dispute between the said Companies.

XXV. And be it enacted, That the Ipswich and Bury Saint Ed- Ipswich, &c. munds Railway Company in working, using, or traversing such Rail-Railway ways, or the Stations and Conveniences thereof, in accordance with Company to observe Bye the Provisions lastly herein-before mentioned, shall at all Times Laws of observe the Regulations and Bye Laws of the Norfolk Railway Com- Norfolk pany for the Time being in force.

Company.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That in case there shall be any Dispute Differences between the Two Companies respecting any such Regulations or Bye to be settled Laws as last aforesaid, or respecting the Mode in which the Ipswich by Arbitra-and Bury Saint Edmunds Railway Company shall exercise any of the Powers or Privileges herein-before given to them, or respecting the Regulations to be adopted by either of the said Companies for the Convenience and Accommodation of the other, or for the Protection of, or relating to, their own. Traffic respectively, or respecting any other Matter or Thing arising out of the Provisions of this Act, or in relation thereto, for the Settlement of which express Provision has not been herein-before already made, the same shall be decided and determined in the Manner herein-before provided.

XXVII. And

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Certain Roads may be crossed on a Level.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That, subject to the Provisions in the said "Railways Clauses Consolidation Act" contained in reference to the crossing of Roads on a Level, it shall be lawful for the Company in the Construction of the Railway and Branch Railway by this Act authorized to be made to carry the same across and on the Level of the several Highways numbered on the Plans deposited as hereinbefore mentioned as follows; (that is to say,)

In the Parish of Palgrave, the Road numbered 68:

In the Parish of Stuston, the Road numbered 4:

In the Parish of Scole, the Road numbered 8:

In the Parish of Billingford, the Road numbered 6:

In the Parish of Thorpe Abbotts, the Road numbered 22:

In the Parish of Brockdish, the Road numbered 1 and 30 respectively:

In the Parish of Needham, the Road numbered 75 and 90 respectively:

In the Parish of Redenhall with Harleston, the Road numbered 46, 51, 78, and 111 respectively:

In the Hamlet of Wortwell, the Roads numbered 2, 58, and 96 respectively:

In the Parish of Alburgh, the Road numbered 1:

In the Parish of *Earsham*, the Road numbered 49, 70, 82, and 102 respectively:

In the Parish of Ditchingham, the Roads numbered 16 and 35 respectively:

In the Parish of *Broome*, the Road numbered 1:

In the Parish of *Ellingham*, the Roads numbered 14, 20, and 29 respectively:

In the Parish of Geldeston, the Road numbered 11:

In the Parish of Gillingham, the Road numbered 49:

In the Parish of Beccles, the Roads numbered 7 and 13 respectively: In the Parish of Toft Monks, the Roads numbered 32 and 38 respectively:

In the Parish of Thurlton, the Road numbered 14: In the Parish of Weston, the Road numbered 14:

In the Parish of Beccles, the Roads numbered 1, 29, and 41 respectively.

Company to erect a Station or Lodge at the Points of to abide by Regulations of the Com-Railways.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That for the greater Convenience and Security of the Public the Company shall erect and permanently maintain either a Station or Lodge at the Points where the said Railway crosses the before-mentioned Roads on the Level, and the said crossing, and Company shall be subject to and shall abide by all such Rules and Regulations with regard to the crossing of such Roads on the Level, or with regard to the Speed at which Trains shall pass such Roads, as missioners of may from Time to Time be made by the Commissioners of Railways; and if the said Company shall fail to erect or at all Times maintain any such Station or Lodge, or appoint a proper Person to watch or superintend the crossing at any such Point or Station, or to observe or abide by any such Rule or Regulation as aforesaid, they shall for every such Offence be liable to a Penalty of Twenty Pounds, and also to a daily Penalty of Ten Pounds for every Day such Offence shall

shall continue after such Penalty of Twenty Pounds shall have been incurred.

* XXIX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Com- Lands for pany, in addition to the Lands which they are at present authorized to purchase, and in addition also to the Lands herein-before authorized to be purchased by them, for the Purpose of the Construction of the Railway, Branch Railway, and Works by this Act authorized, to contract with any Party willing to sell the same for the Purchase of and to purchase any Land adjoining or near to the said Railways, or either of them, not exceeding in the whole Forty Acres, for any of the extraordinary Purposes specified in the said "Railways Clauses Consolidation Act."

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

Lands.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That the Railway, Branch Railway, Period for and Works by this Act authorized shall be completed within Five Completion Years from the passing of this Act, and on the Expiration of such of Works. Period the Powers by this or the said recited Acts granted to the Company for executing the same shall cease to be exercised, except as to so much of the said Works as shall then be completed.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That, notwithstanding any thing con- Providing tained in the "Consolidation Clauses Act," the said Company shall for simultaneous Comand they are hereby required, within Twelve Months after the passing pletion of of this Act, to commence the necessary Works of the said Railway Railway and between Reedham and Diss, and also the said Branch Railway from Branch. Beccles to Halesworth, as nearly as practicable simultaneously, so that the said Branch may be bonâ fide opened for the Use of the Public at the Time at which the said Main Line or any Part thereof shall be opened; and that it shall not be lawful for the said Company to open to the Public, or to take Toll upon any Portion of the Railway or Branch Railway hereby authorized, until the whole of both the Main and Branch Lines shall have been completed, unless the Commissioners of Railways shall be satisfied that the Completion of any Part of the Works shall have been delayed from unavoidable Causes and not from Design, and that the whole of the Works upon the said Railway and Branch Railway are being prosecuted with all practicable Despatch.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That any Question which may arise arising under out of the preceding Enactment shall be referred to the Commis- preceding sioners of Railways for their Decision, and the Determination of the Enactment Commissioners upon any Matter which shall be so submitted to them Commisshall be binding upon the Parties and without Appeal.

Disputes referred to sioners of Railways.

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Tolls and Company to demand and receive in respect of the Use of the Railway Charges. and Branch Railway hereby authorized to be made, and in respect of $\lceil Local.
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the Use of Carriages and Engines used thereon, and for the Conveyance of Passengers, Goods, and Cattle thereon, any Tolls or Charges not exceeding the Tolls and Charges which they are authorized to demand and receive for similar Purposes upon the Norfolk Railway under and by virtue of an Act passed in the Eighth and Ninth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for altering the Line of the Norwich and Brandon Railway, and for making a Branch therefrom to East Dereham in the County of Norfolk.

8 & 9 Vict. c. 154.

Railways to 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.

XXXV. And whereas an Act was passed in the Second Year of the be subject to Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act to provide for the Provisions of Conveyance of 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 for 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 last Session of Parliament, intituled respectively An Act for constituting Commissioners of Railways, and An Act for regulating the Gauge of Railways; be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be held to exempt the Railways by this Act authorized to be made, 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 Railway and Company so far as the same shall be applicable thereto.

Railways to Provisions of any general Act.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be subject to be deemed or construed to exempt the Railways by this or the said recited Acts authorized to be made from the Provisions of any general Act relating to such Acts, or of any general Act relating to Railways, now in force or 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 authorized by this Act.

Public Act.

XXXVII. 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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