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Cap. li.

An Act for better supplying with Water the Parish and Environs of Louth in the County of Lincoln.

[2d June 1854.]

HEREAS the Inhabitants of the Parish and Environs of Louth are now inadequately supplied with Water, and it is expedient that a better Supply should be afforded to them: And whereas the several Persons herein-after named, with others, are willing, at their own Expense, to afford such Supply, and to make and to maintain all the necessary Works for the Purpose, but such Objects 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,

I. That the several Provisions of "The Lands Clauses Consolidation 8 & 9 Vict. Act, 1845," "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," and and [Local.] 8 R "The

c. 17. incorporated.

10 & 11 Vict. "The Waterworks Clauses Consolidation Act, 1847," shall, subject to the Provisions of this Act, be incorporated with and form Part of this Act.

Short Title.

II. In citing this Act in other Acts of Parliament and in legal Instruments it shall be sufficient to use the Expression "The Louth Waterworks Act, 1854."

Incorpora-

III. Samuel Trought, John Hurst, Thomas Young, Cornelius tion of Com- Parker, John Booth Sharpley, Archibald Dymock, William Henry Adams, and Herbert Ingram, and all other Persons and Corporations who have already subscribed or shall hereafter subscribe to the Undertaking by this Act authorized, and their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns respectively, shall be united into a Company for the Purposes herein-after mentioned, and for such Purposes shall be incorporated by the Name of "The Louth Waterworks Company," and by that Name shall be a Body Corporate, with perpetual Succession, and shall have a Common Seal, and shall have Power to purchase and hold Lands for the Purposes of the Undertaking within the Restrictions herein and in the said incorporated Acts contained.

Purposes of the Company.

IV. The Company shall be established for the Purpose of making Shafts, Wells, Engines, Reservoirs, Aqueducts, and Conduits, and for laying down Pipes and executing all other Works necessary and convenient for supplying the Inhabitants of the Parish and Environs of Louth aforesaid with Water; and the Limits of this Act with regard to the Powers of affording such Supply shall be held to be co-extensive with the Limits of the Parish of Louth, and the Parishes of Hallington, South Elkington, Louth Park, and Keddington, in the Parts of Lindsey, in the County of Lincoln.

Capital.

V. Twelve thousand Pounds shall be the Capital of the Company.

Shares.

VI. The Number of Shares into which the said Capital shall be divided shall be Four hundred and eighty, and the Amount of each Share shall be Twenty-five Pounds.

Calls.

VII. Five Pounds per Share shall be the greatest Amount of any One Call which the Company may make on the Shareholders, and Three Months at least shall intervene between the making of any Twosuccessive Calls.

VIII. The

VIII. The First Ordinary Meeting of the Company shall be held First and within Six Months next after the passing of this Act, and the sub- other Meetsequent Ordinary Meetings of the Company shall be held yearly in the Month of January; and all Meetings, whether ordinary or extraordinary, shall be held in Louth aforesaid.

IX. The Quorum for every Meeting of the Company shall be Quorum of Eight Shareholders, holding in the aggregate not less than One Meetings. thousand two hundred and fifty Pounds in the Capital of the Company.

X. The Number of Shareholders on whose Requisition an Extra-Number of ordinary Meeting may be required to be convened shall not be less than Six; and such Shareholders shall hold in the aggregate not less Extraordithan Two thousand Pounds in the Capital of the Company.

Shareholders to convene nary Meetings.

XI. The Scale according to which the Shareholders may vote in Scale of Voting. respect of their Shares shall be as follows; (that is to say,)

For One Share, but not exceeding Five Shares, One Vote;

For more than Five, but not exceeding Ten Shares, Two Votes:

For more than Ten, but not exceeding Twenty Shares, Three Votes;

For more than Twenty Shares, Four Votes; but no Person shall have more than Four Votes in respect of any Number of Shares.

XII. The Number of Directors of the Company shall be Nine, and Qualification the Company shall have Power to reduce the Number of Directors, so that the reduced Number be not less than Six; and the Qualification of a Director shall be the Possession by him, in his own Right, of Five Shares at the least in the said Undertaking; and that Samuel Trought, John Hurst, Thomas Young, Cornelius Parker, John Booth Sharpley, Archibald Dymock, William Henry Adams, Henry Munk, and Herbert Ingram shall be the First Directors of the Company.

XIII. It shall be lawful for the Company to borrow, on Mortgage Power to or Bond, any Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum borrow Money on of Three thousand Pounds, but no Part of such Sum shall be bor- Mortgage. rowed until the whole of the said Capital or Sum of Twelve thousand Pounds shall have been subscribed for, and One Half thereof actually paid up.

Receiver for Mortgagees.

XIV. The Mortgagees under this Act may enforce Payment of the Arrears of Principal and Interest due on their respective Mortgages by the Appointment of a Receiver; and the Amount to authorize a Requisition for a Receiver shall be One thousand Pounds.

Power to take Lands for Works.

XV. And whereas a Plan and Section of the Reservoir and Works proposed to be made for the Purpose of affording such Supply of Water as aforesaid, and a Book of Reference containing the Names of the Owners or reputed Owners, Lessees or reputed Lessees, and Occupiers of the Lands in or upon which the same are intended to be made, have been deposited with the Clerk of the Peace for the Parts of Lindsey in the County of Lincoln: Be it enacted, That, subject to the Provisions in this and the said incorporated Acts contained, it shall be lawful for the Company to purchase, take, and use such of the Lands delineated on the said Plan, and described in the said Book of Reference, as shall be necessary for the Purposes of the Works by this Act authorized; and in constructing the Waterworks by this Act authorized to be made, the Company may make lateral Deviations from the Line of such Works, not exceeding the Limits of Deviation described in the said Plan, and may deviate from the Levels of such Works as delineated in the said Section to any Extent not exceeding Five Feet.

Period within which Lands are to be purchased.

XVI. The Powers of the Company for making any compulsory Purchase under or for the Purposes of this Act shall not be exercised after the Expiration of Two Years from the passing thereof.

Period for Completion of Works.

XVII. The said Waterworks shall be completed within Four Years from the passing of this Act, and on the Expiration of such Period the Powers by this Act granted to the Company for executing the same, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall cease to be exercised, except as to so much of the said Works shown on the deposited Plan as shall then be completed.

Limiting Pressure of Supply of Water.

XVIII. The Water of the Company need not be constantly laid on under a Pressure greater than that to be afforded from the Service Reservoir of the Company shown on the said Plan and Section.

Rates at which the Company Water.

XIX. The Company shall, at the Request of the Owner or Occupier, furnish to every Occupier of a private Dwelling House, or Part of a are to supply Dwelling House, in any Street within the Limits of this Act, in which

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any Pipe of the Company shall be laid, a sufficient Supply of Water, for the domestic Use of every such Occupier, at a Rate per Centum per Annum not exceeding Seven Pounds upon the annual Rack Rent or Value of the Premises so supplied with Water, but the Company shall not be obliged to furnish such Supply to any Occupier for any less Sum than Eight Shillings in any One Year: Provided, that a Supply of Water for domestic Purposes shall not include a Supply of Water for Baths, Waterclosets, Cattle, or for Horses or washing Carriages, where such Horses or Carriages are kept for Hire, or for any Trade or Business whatsoever.

XX. The Company shall not charge more in any One Year than Limiting the several Rates herein-after specified in respect of Waterclosets and Baths in or belonging to any private Dwelling House; (that is to Watersay,)

Amount for Charge for closets.

- When the annual Rack Rent does not exceed Ten Pounds per Annum, the Sum of Four Shillings for each such Watercloset and Bath:
- When the annual Rack Rent exceeds Ten Pounds, and does not exceed Twenty Pounds, the Sum of Six Shillings for One Watercloset or Bath, and the Sum of Four Shillings for each additional Watercloset or Bath:
- When the annual Rack Rent exceeds Twenty Pounds, and does not exceed Forty Pounds, the Sum of Eight Shillings for One Watercloset or Bath, and the Sum of Four Shillings for each additional Watercloset or Bath:
- When the annual Rack Rent exceeds Forty Pounds, and does not exceed Eighty Pounds, the Sum of Ten Shillings for One Watercloset or Bath, and the Sum of Four Shillings for each additional Watercloset or Bath:
- When the annual Rack Rent exceeds Eighty Pounds, the Sum of Twelve Shillings for One Watercloset or Bath, and the Sum of Four Shillings for each additional Watercloset or Bath:

Provided always, that the Company shall not be compelled to supply any Watercloset or Bath, or the Apparatus or Pipes connected therewith, which shall not be constructed in manner approved of by the Company.

XXI. It shall be lawful for the Company to supply any Person Water for with Water, for other than domestic Purposes, at such Rent and other than domestic upon such Terms and Conditions as shall be agreed upon between Purposes to [Local.]8 S

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by Agreement. the Company and the Person desirous of having such Supply of Water.

Expenses of Act.

XXII. The Costs, Charges, and Expenses attending or incident to the obtaining and passing of this Act shall be paid by the Company.

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