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An Act to authorize the *Globe* Telegraph Company (Limited) to construct and maintain Telegraphs; to acquire and work Letters Patent relating to Electro-magnetic Telegraphs and Apparatus; and for other Purposes. [30th *June* 1864.]

WHEREAS Her present Majesty, by Her Letters Patent bearing Date the 8th Day of *April* 1861, did grant unto *Henry Wilde*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention for "Improvements in Electro-magnetic Telegraphs, and in Apparatus connected therewith," during the Term of Fourteen Years thence next ensuing, a Specification of which said Invention was duly filed in the Great Seal Patent Office: And whereas Her present Majesty also, by certain other Letters Patent bearing Date the 10th Day of *August* 1861, did grant unto the said *Henry Wilde*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention for "Improvements in Electro-magnetic Telegraphs, and in Apparatus connected therewith," during

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the Term of Fourteen Years thence next ensuing, a Specification of which said Invention was also duly filed in the Great Seal Patent Office: And whereas Her present Majesty also, by other Letters Patent bearing Date the 3rd Day of *December* 1862, did grant unto the said *Henry Wilde*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention for "Improvements in Electro-magnetic Telegraphs, and in Apparatus connected therewith," during the Term of Fourteen Years thence next ensuing, a Specification of which said Invention was also

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duly filed in the Great Seal Patent Office: And whereas Her present Majesty also, by certain other Letters Patent bearing Date the 25th Day of *February* 1863, did grant unto the said *Henry Wilde*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention for "Improvements in Electro-magnetic Telegraphs" during the Term of Fourteen Years thence next ensuing, a Specification of which said Invention was also

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duly filed in the Great Seal Patent Office: And whereas Her present Majesty also, by certain other Letters Patent bearing Date the 13th Day of *May* 1863, did grant unto the said *Henry Wilde*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the sole Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention for "Improvements in Electro-magnetic Telegraphs" during the Term of Fourteen Years thence next ensuing, a Specification of which said Invention was also duly filed in the Great Seal Patent Office: And whereas other Inventions by the said *Henry Wilde* relating to Electro-magnetic Telegraphs, are now in the course of being perfected, in respect of which the said *Henry Wilde* has already taken the necessary preliminary Steps for obtaining a Grant of Letters Patent: And whereas a Company has been incorporated, called "*The Globe Telegraph Company (Limited)*," for carrying out a System of private Electric Telegraph Communication between the Government Offices and other important public and private Establishments within the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, by means of the Instruments and Apparatus constructed according to Letters Patent granted to the said *Henry Wilde*: And whereas such of the said Inventions as are already secured by Letters Patent have been found to be of great public Benefit and Utility, and it would be of public Advantage if the same were brought into general Use, and that Object would be greatly promoted if the said Inventions were used and exercised by the said *Globe Telegraph Company (Limited)* with and under the Powers and Provisions herein-after contained: And whereas the Objects aforesaid 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

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Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows; (that is to say,)

1. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as “The *Globe Telegraph Act, 1864.*” Short Title.

2. The following Words and Expressions in this Act and in the Act incorporated herewith shall have the Meanings hereby assigned to them unless there be something in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction : Interpretation of Terms.

The Words “the Company” shall mean “The *Globe Telegraph Company (Limited)* :”

The Word “Charges” shall mean “Sums of Money, Rates, Rents, or Charges.”

3. The Company may construct and maintain Telegraphs, and “The Telegraph Act, 1863,” shall be incorporated with and form Part of this Act. 26 & 27 Vict. c. 112. incorporated.

4. The Company may by Licence use and exercise the Invention or Inventions comprised in the Patents herein-before recited or referred to, or any of them, or in any other Patent or Patents or any Patent Rights already granted or hereafter to be granted to the said *Henry Wilde* relating to Electro-magnetic Telegraphs, or to any Apparatus, Instruments, or Matters used in connexion therewith or forming any Part thereof. Power to Company to use and exercise Patents and Patent Rights.

5. The Company may enter into and make any Arrangement with any other Company or Persons for the Purchase or Use of any Wire or Wires belonging to such other Company or Persons between any Instruments made and worked or to be made and worked according to the Patents of the said *Henry Wilde*. Power to Company to agree as to Purchase and Use of other Wires.

6. All the Costs and Expenses of applying for, obtaining, and passing this Act shall be paid by the Company. Expenses of Act.

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