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An Act to extend the time limited for the completion of the A.D. 1869.

Bridge and other works authorized by "The Albert Bridge Act, 1864," and for other purposes.

[24th June 1869.]

WHEREAS by "The Albert Bridge Act, 1864," the Albert 27 & 28 Vict. Bridge Company were authorized to make and maintain in c. ccxxxv. the manner therein provided "a bridge across the River Thames, "with all convenient abutments, piers, walls, embankments, toll houses, toll gates, landing stairs, and other works and converiences connected therewith, to commence in the parish of St. Luke, Chelsea, in Cheyne Walk, at or near the junction therewith of Oakley Street, and to terminate in the parish of St. Mary, "Battersea, in a road called the Prince Albert Road," and they were empowered by the said Act to take tolls for passing over the said bridge, and to raise monies and do various other matters in relation thereto:

And whereas it was by the said Act provided that the bridge and works thereby authorized should be completed within five years after the passing of the same Act, and that on the expiration of that period the powers of the company for making the same or otherwise in relation thereto should cease to be exercised, except with respect to so much thereof as should be then completed.

And whereas a considerable portion of the bridge and other works authorized by the said Act still remains to be constructed, and it is expedient that the time limited by the same Act for the completion thereof, and the powers thereby granted to the company in respect thereof, should be extended for a further period:

And whereas the objects aforesaid cannot be accomplished 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

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- A.D. 1869. Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:
- 1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Albert Bridge Short title. Act, 1869."

Extension of period limited by recited Act for completion of bridge, &c.

2. The time limited by "The Albert Bridge Act, 1864," for the completion of the bridge and other works thereby authorized, and the powers by the same Act granted to the company in respect thereof, shall (except as to the power for the compulsory purchase of land) be and the same are hereby extended for the period of eighteen months from the passing of this Act, and on the expiration of that period the same powers shall cease to be exercised, except as to so much of the said bridge and works as shall then be completed.

Saving rights of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

3. Nothing in this Act contained shall affect, prejudice, or lessen the powers of the Metropolitan Board of Works under "The Thames Embankment (Chelsea) Act, 1868," or any other of the board's Acts, and when any of the works authorized by the Albert Bridge Act, 1864, or this Act, shall in any way interfere with the said embankment, the said board shall and they are hereby empowered to make and complete all such works of the Albert Bridge Act; and the costs, charges, and expenses of the making and completion of such works shall be borne by the Albert Bridge Company, and the certificate of the engineer of the said board for the time being as to such costs, charges, and expenses shall be accepted by the said company, and be final without any reference to any arbitrators or jury.

Expenses of Act.

4. All the costs, charges, and expenses of and incident to the preparing for, obtaining, and passing of this Act shall be paid by the company.

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