



CHAPTER lii.

An Act to extend the time limited for the compulsory purchase of Lands for so much of the Railway authorised by "The Birmingham and Lichfield Junction Railway Act, 1872," as was not abandoned by "The Birmingham and Lichfield Junction Railway Act, 1874 ;" and for other purposes. A.D. 1875.
[14th June 1875.]

WHEREAS by "The Birmingham and Lichfield Junction Railway Act, 1872," (in this Act called "the Act of 1872,") the Birmingham and Lichfield Junction Railway Company (in this Act called "the Company") were incorporated for the purpose of making and maintaining (amongst other works) a railway from the South Staffordshire Railway to the Sutton Coldfield Branch of the London and North-western Railway Company, and for other purposes: 35 & 36 Vict.
c. clxxii.

And whereas by "The Birmingham and Lichfield Junction Railway Act, 1874," (in this Act called "the Act of 1874,") the Company were authorised to make and maintain the railways thereby authorised in lieu of part of the railway authorised by the Act of 1872: 37 & 38 Vict.
c. xcii.

And whereas the period for the exercise of the Company's powers for the compulsory purchase of lands for the railway authorised by the Act of 1872 was limited to three years from the passing of that Act:

And whereas it is expedient that that period be extended as regards so much of the railway authorised by the Act of 1872 as is not to be abandoned under the Act of 1874, but that object 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,

A.D. 1875. — and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows; (that is to say,)

Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as "The Birmingham and Lichfield Junction Railway Act, 1875."

Provision of general Act incorporated. 2. Part II. (relating to extension of time) of "The Railways Clauses Act, 1863," is (except where expressly varied by this Act) incorporated with and forms part of this Act.

Same meanings to words in incorporated Acts and this Act. 3. The several words and expressions to which by the Acts in part incorporated with this Act meanings are assigned have in this Act the same respective meanings, unless excluded by the subject or context. The word "lands" extends to messuages, lands, tenements, and hereditaments of any tenure.

Extending period for compulsory purchase of certain lands. 4. The powers of the Company for the compulsory purchase of lands for the purposes of so much of the railway, and works connected therewith, authorised by the Act of 1872, as the Company are not by the Act of 1874 required to abandon, may be exercised within two years, but shall not be exercised after the expiration of two years, from the sixth day of August 1875, being the expiration of the time limited in that behalf by the Act of 1872.

Railways not exempt from provisions of present and future general Acts. 5. Nothing in the Act of 1872 or the Act of 1874 or in this Act contained shall exempt the Company or their railways from the provisions of any general Act relating to railways, or the better and more impartial audit of the accounts of railway companies, now in force or which may hereafter pass during this or any future session of Parliament, or from any future revision or alteration, under the authority of Parliament, of the maximum rates of fares and charges, or of the rates for small parcels, authorised by the Act of 1872.

Expenses of Act. 6. All costs, charges, and expenses of and incident to the preparing for, obtaining, and passing of this Act, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall be paid by the Company.