



## CHAPTER i.

An Act to extend the time for the completion of the Acton Junction Railway of the Metropolitan District Railway Company. A.D. 1896.  
[27th March 1896.]

**W**HEREAS it is expedient that the powers and time limited by the Metropolitan District Railway Act 1893 (herein-after referred to as "the Act of 1893") for the completion of the junction railway secondly described in and authorised by section five of the Metropolitan District Railway Act 1878 (herein-after referred to as "the Act of 1878") and known by the name of the Acton Junction Railway the lands for which have been duly acquired by the Metropolitan District Railway Company (in this Act called "the Company") should be extended:

And whereas the objects of this Act 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 as follows (that is to say):—

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Metropolitan District Railway (Extension of Time) Act 1896. Short title.

**2.** Part II. (relating to extension of time) of the Railways Clauses Act 1863 is incorporated with and forms part of this Act. Partial incorporation of Railways Clauses Act 1863.

**3.** The powers granted by the Act of 1878 and the time limited by that Act and extended by the Act of 1893 for the construction and completion of the junction railway secondly described in and authorised by the fifth section of the Act of 1878 shall be and the same are hereby extended until the fourth day of July one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and on the expiration of that period those powers shall cease. The said extended period shall with Extension of time for completion of Acton Junction Railway.

A.D. 1896. — reference to the deposit fund mentioned in the Act of 1893 be deemed to be the period limited by that Act for the completion of the said junction railway.

Restriction on taking houses of labouring class.

4. The Company shall not under the powers of the Act of 1878 as revived and extended by the Act of 1893 and this Act purchase or acquire ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December next before the passing of the Act of 1878 or of this Act as the case may be were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the respective fifteenth day of December aforesaid but have been or shall be subsequently so occupied:

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any such persons who may be residing with them.

Provision as to general Railway Acts.

5. Nothing in this Act contained shall exempt the Company or their railway from the provisions of any general Act relating to railways or the better or 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.

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.

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