



Metropolis Management Act 1855

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Duties and Powers of Vestries and District Boards

CIX Notice to be given by Companies to Vestries and District Boards when Pavement, &c. is required to be taken up.

No Company or Person shall break up or open the Pavement, Surface, or Soil of any Street, the Paving whereof is under the Control and Management of the Vestry or District Board of any Parish or District, for the Purpose of making and laying down any Main of Pipes or for any other Purpose whatsoever, except in Cases of Emergency arising from Defects in Pipes or other Works, without having previously given Three clear Days Notice in Writing to such Vestry or District Board, stating in such Notice the Name of the Street and the particular Part thereof in which such Pavement, Surface, or Soil is intended to be broken up or opened, the Day on which the Work is proposed to be commenced, and the Time within which it will be completed; and in any such Case of Emergency as aforesaid such Company or Person shall, within Twelve Hours after they or he begin to break up or open such Pavement, Surface, or Soil as aforesaid, give such Notice as aforesaid to the said Vestry or District Board; and no such Pavement, Soil, or Surface shall be broken up or opened for the Purpose of laying down any new Main of Pipes for the Conveyance of Water during any Part of the Months of *December, January, and February*, without the Consent of the said Vestry or District Board; and no Gaslight Company shall at any Time break up or open any such Pavement, Surface, or Soil for the Purpose of laying down any new Mains of Pipes, without the Consent in Writing of the said Vestry or District Board; and every Company or Person offending against this Enactment shall for every such Offence forfeit a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, and shall, within Twenty-four Hours after Notice in Writing from the Vestry or District Board, cause such Mains of Pipes to be taken up and removed, and the Pavement, Surface, or Soil to be reinstated and put into its former State: Provided always, that any Gaslight Company may break up or open any such Pavement, Surface, or Soil, for the Purpose of laying down and attaching to Mains and Pipes already existing any new Service Pipes, on giving to the said Vestry or District Board, Three Days at the least before so doing, Notice of their Intention to break up or open such Pavement, Surface, or Soil for such Purpose.