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An Act for empowering the British Gas Light Company Limited to enlarge their works and to expend further capital at Kingston-upon-Hull. A.D. 1901.
[2nd July 1901.]

WHEREAS by the British Gas Light Company (Hull Station) Acts 1858 and 1876 (in this Act respectively referred to as "the Act of 1858" and "the Act of 1876") the British Gas Light Company Limited (in this Act called "the Company") were empowered to maintain their then existing works mains pipes and other apparatus and to construct other works and lay down other mains and pipes for supplying gas within certain limits therein specified in the town or borough of Kingston-upon-Hull in the county of the same town and by the British Gas Light Company Limited (Hull Station) Order 1884 further powers were conferred upon the Company with reference to the supply of gas within the said limits :

And whereas by the said Acts and Order it was provided that the capital to be expended by the Company for the purposes of the undertaking authorised thereby should not exceed the sum of four hundred thousand pounds :

And whereas in order to meet the increasing demand for the supply of gas within the said limits it is expedient that the Company should be empowered to enlarge their gasworks upon the lands described in the schedule to this Act and that the Company should be authorised to expend further capital for that purpose and for the purposes of the said undertaking :

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 King's most Excellent Majesty by and

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(*Hull Station*) Act, 1901.

A.D. 1901. 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):—

Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as the British Gas Light Company Limited (Hull Station) Act 1901 and the British Gas Light Company (Hull Station) Acts 1858 and 1876 and the British Gas Light Company Limited (Hull Station) Order 1884 and this Act may be cited together as the British Gas Light Company (Hull Station) Acts 1858 to 1901.

Interpretation. 2. In this Act the expression "the undertaking" means and includes the gasworks and works connected therewith vested in or constructed or to be constructed by the Company under the authority of the British Gas Light Company (Hull Station) Acts 1858 to 1901.

Power to expend further capital. 3. Notwithstanding anything contained in the recited Acts and Order the Company may expend for the purposes of the undertaking the sum of two hundred thousand pounds in addition to the sum of four hundred thousand pounds already authorised by the said Acts and Order to be expended. Provided always that of the said sum of two hundred thousand pounds by this Act authorised to be further expended the sum of one hundred and forty thousand pounds and no more may be so expended out of the capital stock of the Company and the Company may borrow on mortgage in respect of such further capital so authorised sums not exceeding in the whole the sum of sixty thousand pounds. Provided further that the profits to be divided by the Company in respect of so much of the additional capital of one hundred and forty thousand pounds as may from time to time be actually expended shall not exceed five pounds per centum per annum whether such capital shall be issued as ordinary capital or as preference capital and that the rate of interest to be paid upon any sums so borrowed on mortgage shall not exceed four pounds per centum per annum. And the Company shall not have power to convert into shares or stock the said sum of sixty thousand pounds or any part thereof.

Of the moneys which the Company are by this Act authorised to expend the first sixty thousand pounds shall be expended out of money borrowed on mortgage and all moneys to be borrowed for the purposes of this Act shall be borrowed on the best terms obtainable at the time of borrowing the same.

4. Notwithstanding anything in the recited Acts and Order contained the Company may upon the lands described in the schedule to this Act if and when acquired by them erect construct make and maintain alter remove and enlarge works for the manufacture and storage of gas and of the several residual products matters and things arising or obtainable from the manufacture of gas and such other works buildings appliances and conveniences as may be necessary for the manufacture storage and distribution of gas or the manufacture conversion utilisation and storage of such residual products matters and things as aforesaid and may in and at the works to be erected by them under the authority of this Act as well as at their existing works manufacture and store gas and the various residual products matters and things arising or obtainable from the manufacture of gas.

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New works
for manu-
facture of gas
and residual
products.

5. The mayor aldermen and citizens of the city and county of Kingston-upon-Hull (hereinafter referred to as "the corporation") may from time to time appoint a competent person as auditor for the purpose of examining the accounts of the Company in relation to the undertaking for the year ending the thirtieth day of June one thousand nine hundred and two and any subsequent year and may from time to time remove any such auditor and appoint another in his place and such auditor may examine the accounts of the Company in relation to the undertaking annually at any time within two months after such accounts shall have been made up for the year then last past and the Company shall at all reasonable times within the said period of two months give to the auditor his clerks and assistants access to the books and documents of the Company relating to such accounts and shall afford to him and them all reasonable facilities for such examination Provided that the signature of such auditor to the published accounts of the Company shall not be necessary and he shall not be entitled to interfere in any way with the management of the undertaking The remuneration of any auditor shall be from time to time fixed by the corporation and the Company shall contribute towards such remuneration the sum of twenty-five guineas per annum.

Power to
corporation
of Hull to
appoint
auditor.

6. Section 7 of the Act of 1876 is hereby repealed as from the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and one and from and after that date the gas to be supplied by the Company within the limits of the Acts of 1858 and 1876 shall be

Prescribing
illuminating
power of gas.

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Repeal of section 18 of Act of 1858.

7. Section 18 of the Act of 1858 is hereby repealed and from and after the passing of this Act sections 28 to 34 of the Gasworks Clauses Act 1871 shall apply to the undertaking.

Copy of Act to be registered.

8. The Company shall forward to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies a printed copy of this Act and it shall be recorded by him and if such copy is not forwarded within three months from the passing of this Act the Company shall incur a penalty not exceeding two pounds for every day after the expiration of those three months during which the copy is omitted to be forwarded and every director or manager of the Company who knowingly and wilfully authorises or permits such default shall incur the like penalty and every penalty under this Act shall be recoverable summarily.

There shall be paid to the registrar by the Company on such copy being registered the like fee as is for the time being payable under the Companies Act 1862 on registration of any document other than a memorandum of association.

Expenses of Act.

9. The costs charges and expenses preliminary to and of and incidental to the preparing applying for obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise relating thereto shall be paid by the Company.

The SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Act.

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Certain lands in the parish of Sculcoates in the city and county of Kingston-upon-Hull containing twenty acres and twenty-one perches or thereabouts bounded on the north in part by Stoneferry or Clough Road and in part by the premises of Messrs. Goodall and Webster on the south-east in part by the existing works of the Company and in part by the premises of Messrs. Storry Smithson and Company and of Messrs. Sissons Brothers and Company (Limited) and on the west by a field of which the eastern boundary runs parallel to and one hundred and sixty yards or thereabouts east of Skidby drain.

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