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## *Cap. lxxviii.*

An Act to establish an additional Company for more effectually lighting with Gas certain Places within the Borough of *Southwark*, and certain other Parishes and Places in the Counties of *Surrey* and *Kent*.  
[28th May 1824.]

**W**HEREAS the Parishes and Townships of *Saint Olave*, *Saint John*, *Saint George the Martyr*, *Saint Saviour*, and *Saint Thomas* in the Borough of *Southwark* and County of *Surrey*, and the Parishes of *Saint Mary Lambeth*, *Saint Giles Camberwell*, *Saint Mary Rotherhithe*, *Christ Church*, *Saint Mary Newington*, *Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey*, the *Clink Liberty*, *Clapham*, *Walworth*, *Streatham*, *Blackman Street* in the Borough of *Southwark*, *Vauxhall*, and *Stockwell*, and other Roads, Streets, and Places in the East Half Hundred of *Brixton* in the County of *Surrey*, *Wandsworth*, *Tooting*, *Battersea* and *Putney*, and other Roads, Streets, and Places in the West Half Hundred of *Brixton* in the said County of *Surrey*, and the several Parishes and Places of *Saint Paul Deptford*, *Saint Nicholas Deptford*, and *Greenwich*, in the Counties of *Surrey* and *Kent*, and the several Places adjacent or contiguous thereto, are large and populous, and many of the Roads, Streets, and Places within the said Parishes and Townships are either wholly without or have insufficient public Lamps and Lights; and it would be a great public

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lic Advantage to all the Inhabitants thereof, and to all Persons travelling along the Streets, Roads, and Ways in and through the same, if such several Parishes and Places were lighted with Gas: And whereas the several Persons herein-after named, together with other Persons, have subscribed and are willing to subscribe all such Sum and Sums of Money as are necessary for the Erection of proper Works, laying down Pipes, and completing all proper Preparations for lighting all such Places with Gas; but the same cannot be effected without the Aid 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 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, That the Right Honourable Lord *Holland*, the Honourable *James Abercromby*, *Matthias Attwood*, *George Bridges*, *Thomas Fowell Buxton*, *Arthur Holdsworth*, *James Scarlett*, *John Plummer*, *Charles Barclay*, *David Barclay*, *Charles Bevan*, *Joshua Blackburn*, *Jonathan Chapman*, *Archibald Corbett*, *John Calvert Clarke*, *Francis Creswell the younger*, *William Miller Christy*, *Abel Chapman*, *Benjamin Currey*, *William Fry*, *Joseph Fry*, *Richard Fell*, *John Fell the younger*, *William Frampton*, *John Garratt*, *Emanuel Goodhart*, *Isaac Lyon Goldsmid*, *Henry Hunt*, *William Heygate*, *James Heygate*, *Richard Heale*, *John Key*, *John Petty Muspratt*, *Frederick Perkins*, *Charles Perkins*, *Charles Pott*, *Jacob Foster Reynolds*, *Horatio Ripley*, *Thomas Allen Shuter*, *George Thackrah*, *Charles Hampden Turner*, the Reverend *John Vane*, *Matthew Wood*, *Thomas Wilson*, *Charles Allen Young*, and *John Adolphus Young*, and all and every such other Person or Persons as shall or may from Time to Time, in such Manner as is herein-after mentioned, become a Proprietor or Proprietors of Shares in the Undertaking hereby established, and their respective Successors, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, shall be and are hereby united into a Company, and they are hereby declared to be one Body Politic and Corporate, by the Name of "The *Phoenix* Gas Light and Coke Company," and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession and a Common Seal, with full Power and Authority to use the same, and by that Name shall and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, at Law and in Equity, and shall and may prefer and prosecute any Bill or Bills of Indictment for any Felony, Misdemeanour, or other Offence punishable by the Laws of this Realm.

Name of  
Company.

Purposes of  
the Company.

II. And be it further enacted, That the said Company shall be established for the Purpose of producing Inflammable Air or Gas from Coal, Oil, Tar, Pitch, or other Materials, and for lighting and supplying with Gas all Persons and Places, Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, and other public Passages, and also Shops, Manufactories, public and private Buildings and Houses, in the several Parishes and Townships of *Saint Olave*, *Saint John*, *Saint George the Martyr*, *Saint Saviour* and *Saint Thomas* in the Borough of *Southwark* and County of *Surrey*, and in the Parishes of *Saint Mary Lambeth*, *Saint Giles Camberwell*, *Saint Mary Rotherhithe*, *Christchurch*, *Saint Mary Newington*, *Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey*, *Dockhead* and *Horseleydown*, the *Clink Liberty*, *Clapham*, *Walworth*, *Streatham*, *Blackman Street* in the Borough of *Southwark*, *Vauxhall* and *Stockwell*, and other Roads, Streets, and Places in the East Half Hundred of *Brixton* in the County of *Surrey*, *Wandsworth*, *Tooting*, *Battersea*, and *Putney*, and other Roads, Streets, and Places in the West Half Hundred of *Brixton* in the said County of *Surrey*, and the several Parishes and Places of

of *Saint Paul Deptford*, *Saint Nicholas Deptford*, and *Greenwich*, in the Counties of *Surrey* and *Kent*, and the several Places adjacent or contiguous thereto, and also for the selling and disposing of all and every Product and Products, Refuse or Residuum, arising or to be obtained from the Materials used in or necessary for the Manufacture of Gas, in such Manner as the said Company may think proper.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to raise and contribute amongst themselves a Sum of Money by way of Capital or Joint Stock, to be applied and used in establishing and carrying on the said Undertaking, and the Purposes aforesaid, not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Four hundred and fifty thousand Pounds; and the said Company shall not be authorized to exercise the Powers granted by this Act until the said Sum of Four hundred and fifty thousand Pounds shall have been subscribed for that Purpose.

Capital  
Stock to be  
450,000*l*.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the said Sum of Four hundred and fifty thousand Pounds to be subscribed under the Powers of this Act shall be divided into Shares of not less than Fifty Pounds each, and every Proprietor of a Share or Shares shall be entitled to and interested in the Capital Stock and Effects of the said Company, and the Profits and Advantages attending the same, according to the Number of Shares he, she, or they shall hold; and all Shares in the said Undertaking, and in the net Profits and Advantages thereof, shall be deemed Personal Estate, and not of the Nature of Real Property, and shall be transmissible accordingly.

Stock to be  
divided into  
Shares of  
50*l*. each.

V. And be it further enacted, That in case the aforesaid Sum of Four hundred and fifty thousand Pounds shall be found insufficient for the Purposes of this Act, and for carrying on the aforesaid Undertaking, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for the said Company of Proprietors to raise and contribute amongst themselves, in such Shares and Proportions as they shall think proper, or by the Admission of new Subscribers, any further or other Sum of Money not exceeding the Sum of Ninety thousand Pounds; and every Subscriber towards raising such further Sum of Money shall be a Proprietor in the said Undertaking in proportion to the Sum he, she, or they shall subscribe to the said Undertaking, as extensively, to all Intents and Purposes, as if such further or other Sum hereby allowed to be subscribed for or raised had been originally Part of the said Capital of Four hundred and fifty thousand Pounds; any thing herein-before contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Power to  
raise a fur-  
ther Capital  
of 90,000*l*.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the Lands and Hereditaments, Manufactories, Gasometers, Machinery, Apparatus, and Works, Goods, Chattels, and Effects of the said Company and their Successors, shall be answerable and subject for the just Debts, Liabilities, Engagements, and Demands of the Creditors of and Contractors for the said Company.

Lands, &c.  
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Debts.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the several Persons who shall subscribe for or towards the said Undertaking, or who shall at any Time hereafter have or hold any Share or Shares in the same, shall and they are hereby required to pay the Sum or Sums of Money by them respectively subscribed, or such Parts or Proportions thereof as shall from Time to Time

To compel  
Payment of  
Subscrip-  
tions.

Time be called for pursuant to or by virtue of the Powers and Directions of this Act, at such Times and Places, to such Person or Persons, and in such Manner as shall be ordered and directed by any General or Special Meeting of the said Company; and in case any Person or Persons shall at any Time refuse or neglect to pay any such Sums of Money at such Times and in such Manner as shall be ordered or directed by any such General or Special Meeting as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said Company to sue for and recover the same by Action of Debt or otherwise in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, together with lawful Interest for the same from such appointed Time of Payment, and all Costs of Suit, from such Person or Persons, or in Cases where Two or more Persons shall have jointly subscribed for or be jointly possessed of any One or more Share or Shares in the said Undertaking, then from all, or any, or either of such Persons.

Names of Proprietors to be entered, and Certificates of their Shares to be delivered to them.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That the Clerk of the said Company, as soon as a Clerk is chosen, shall cause the Names and Designations of the several Persons who shall have subscribed for or may at any Time hereafter become entitled to a Share or Shares in the said Undertaking, with the Number of such Share or Shares, and also the proper Number by which every Share shall be distinguished, to be fairly and distinctly entered in a Book to be kept for that Purpose, and after such Entry shall cause the same to be signed by the Chairman of the Directors of the said Company; and the said Directors shall cause a Certificate, under the Common Seal of the said Company, to be prepared and delivered to every Proprietor, upon Demand, specifying the Share or Shares to which he, she, or they is or are entitled in the said Undertaking; and such Certificate shall be admitted in all Courts whatsoever as Evidence of the Title of such Proprietor, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, to the Share or Shares therein specified; but the Want of such Certificate shall not hinder or prevent the Owner or Owners from selling or disposing of such Share or Shares.

First Meeting of Proprietors.

IX. And be it further enacted, That within Three Calendar Months after the passing of this Act, or as soon after as conveniently may be, a General Assembly or Meeting of the Subscribers to the said Undertaking shall be holden in the City of *London* or in the Borough of *Southwark*, between the Hours of Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon and Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, of which General Assembly or Meeting Seven Days Notice shall be given by some One of the Proprietors of the said Undertaking, Once in Two *London* daily Newspapers, and such General Assembly or Meeting shall then and there proceed in the Execution of this Act, and shall or may adjourn to and shall assemble at the same or such other Times and Places as shall be appointed in Manner herein-after mentioned; at which General Assembly or Meeting, or at any Adjournment thereof, Ten Directors and Two Auditors shall be elected and chosen, each of whom shall be possessed of Shares to the Amount of Two thousand Pounds at the least, and who shall continue in Office until the General Meeting to be holden in the Month of *January* which will be in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, or until others or another in their or any of their Stead shall be elected and chosen; and after the said Directors shall have been elected, One of the Members thereof shall be chosen by the said Meeting of Subscribers  
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the Chairman, and another Member thereof the Deputy Chairman; and such General Assembly or Meeting may be adjourned to such other Time and Place as the Majority of the Subscribers then present shall think fit.

X. And be it further enacted, That the said Company shall in the Months of *January* and *July* in each Year hold a General Meeting or Assembly of the said Proprietors, of which General Meeting or Assembly Seven Days Notice shall be given in Two or more of the daily *London* Newspapers; and at every such General Meeting or Assembly to be holden in the Month of *January* after the Month of *July* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, or some Adjournment thereof, Seven Members of the Company, qualified as aforesaid, who shall have been Directors of the said Company in the preceding Year, shall be re-elected Directors of the said Company, and as soon as such Election shall have been made Three other Members of the said Company, qualified as aforesaid, shall be elected Directors of the said Company; and after such Directors shall have been elected, One of the Members thereof shall be elected Chairman, and One other of the Members thereof Deputy Chairman, of the said Directors for the ensuing Year; but all the Directors of the said Company, and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman elected in the preceding Year, shall be immediately re-eligible if otherwise duly qualified; and after such Elections as aforesaid shall have taken place, the Director or Directors (if any) who shall not be re-elected shall go out of Office; provided also, that no Person shall be qualified to be elected or to serve or act as a Director of the said Company who shall hold or derive any Place of Profit under the said Company, or deal or be interested in any Article, Matter, or Thing used or manufactured by the said Company, or concerned or interested in any Contract or Contracts for supplying the same or any of them, or shall not after the First Election stand possessed of Shares to the Amount of Two thousand Pounds at the least in the said Undertaking, and have been possessed of the same for the Space of Three Calendar Months at the least.

General Assemblies to be holden.

XI. And be it further enacted, That at any of such General Assemblies or Meetings the said Company shall and they are hereby authorized and empowered to make such Rules, Orders, Bye-laws, and Regulations from Time to Time as to them shall seem meet and proper, for the good Government of the said Undertaking, and for regulating the Proceedings of the said Directors, and the Duties and Conduct of all Officers, Workmen, and Servants to be employed in and about the Affairs and Business of the said Company, and for the Superintendance and Management of the said Undertaking in all respects whatsoever, and from Time to Time to alter or repeal such Rules, Orders, and Bye-laws, or any of them, and to make new or other Orders, and impose such reasonable Fines and Forfeitures upon all Officers, Workmen, and Servants of the said Company, and other Persons to be employed in and about the Affairs and Business of the said Company, or in the Superintendance and Management of the said Undertaking, not exceeding the Sum of Forty Shillings for any one Offence, as to the said Company at a General Assembly or Meeting shall seem meet and expedient; and all Rules, Orders, and Bye-laws so made as aforesaid, being reduced into Writing, and the Common Seal of the said Company thereto affixed, shall be binding upon all such Persons, and shall be sufficient Authority in any Court of Law or Equity to justify

Power to make Bye-laws, &c.

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all Persons who shall act under the same; provided nevertheless, that such Rules, Orders, and Bye-laws be not repugnant to the Laws or Statutes of that Part of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland* called *England*, or to any of the express Directions or Provisions of this Act; provided also, that Copies of all such Bye-laws shall be affixed and continued in the Office of the said Company: Provided always, that in case at any Assembly of the said Proprietors the Number of Votes, including the Vote of the Chairman, shall be equal, then and in every such Case the Chairman for the Time being shall have an additional or casting Vote.

Proprietors to vote according to the Number of their Shares.

XII. And be it further enacted, That no Member of the said Company shall be entitled to be present or to vote at any General or Special Meeting, or Adjournment thereof, unless he shall have subscribed for or be possessed of at least Five Shares in the Joint Stock of the said Company; and the Members of the Company shall have One Vote at such General or Special Meetings for every Five Shares he, she, or they shall possess in the said Undertaking, provided such Proprietors shall, after the First Election of Directors, have held such Shares for the Space of Three Calendar Months previous to such Meeting after the First Election of Directors; and no Proprietor shall be entitled to vote in respect of any Share or Shares after the Day appointed for Payment of any Instalment, or Call to be made or called for as herein-after is mentioned, until such Instalment or Call shall have been paid; and no Person or Persons shall vote at any General or Special Meeting, upon any Question or Questions relating to the Concerns of the said Undertaking, in which such Person or Persons shall be in anywise interested, other than as a Subscriber or Subscribers, Proprietor or Proprietors in the said Undertaking.

Where Shares stand in the Names of more than One Person, the first shall be deemed the Owner.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That when any Share or Shares in the said Joint Stock shall be jointly possessed by or be the Property of more than One Person, the Owner or Proprietor whose Name shall stand first in Order on the Books of the said Company as Proprietor of such Share or Shares shall for all the Purposes of the said Company be deemed and taken to be the Owner or Proprietor of such Share or Shares; and all Notices required to be given to the Owner or Proprietor of any Share or Shares in the said Company shall and may be given to or served upon such Person whose Name shall so stand first in Order in the Books of the said Company, and such Service upon such Person shall be deemed and taken to be a Service upon all the Owners or Proprietors of such Share or Shares, for all the Purposes for which such Service is intended to be made upon the Owner or Proprietor of any Share or Shares, and such Person shall be entitled to give any Vote or Votes to be given in respect of such Shares.

Empowering Proprietors of Shares to vote by Proxy.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That any Proprietor of any Share or Shares in the said Company's Stock, entitled to vote in respect of such Shares at any General or Special Assembly or Meeting of the said Company, shall have full Power and Authority to give his or her Vote or Votes at such General or Special Meetings as aforesaid, either in Person or by Proxy, every such Proxy being a Proprietor in the said Undertaking; and the Appointment of such Proxies may be made in the Form or to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

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‘ I *A. B.* of One of the Proprietors in the *Phœnix* Form of  
 ‘ Gas Light and Coke Company, do hereby nominate, constitute, and Proxy.  
 ‘ appoint *C. D.* of to be my Proxy, in my Name  
 ‘ and in my Stead to vote or give my Assent to or Dissent from any  
 ‘ Business, Matter, or Thing relating to the said Undertaking that shall  
 ‘ be mentioned or proposed at the General or Special Assembly of the said  
 ‘ Company to be holden on the Day of  
 ‘ or any Adjournment thereof, if I shall not be present, in such Manner  
 ‘ as he the said *C. D.* shall think proper, according to his Opinion and  
 ‘ Judgment, for the Benefit of the said Undertaking, or any thing  
 ‘ relating thereto. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand the  
 ‘ Day of

XV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in case any Pro- Lunatics and  
 prietor or Proprietors entitled to vote at any such Meeting as aforesaid Minors how  
 shall be a Lunatic or Lunatics, or a Minor or Minors, such Lunatic or to vote.  
 Lunatics shall or may vote at such Meeting or Meetings by his, her, or  
 their Committee, or any One of such Committee, and such Minor or  
 Minors shall or may vote by his, her, or their Guardian, or any One of  
 such Guardians: Provided also, that no Person or Persons, or Bodies  
 Corporate or Politic, shall hold and vote as a Proxy or Proxies for more  
 than Two Members upon any One Occasion, but such Person or Party  
 may also vote in right of his own Shares as well as Committee of any  
 Lunatic or Lunatics, and as Guardian of any Minor or Minors, on the  
 same Occasion.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Powers to  
 Company, at any General Meeting of the said Company, to nominate and General  
 appoint, under the Common Seal of the said Company, any Person or Meeting to  
 Persons to be Treasurer or Treasurers, and from Time to Time to remove appoint a  
 any such Treasurer or Treasurers of the said Company, and to nominate, Treasurer.  
 elect, and appoint any other Person or other Persons in his or their  
 Room or Stead.

XVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That all Notices Notices of  
 herein directed to be given of any General or Special Meetings, or Ad- Meetings to  
 journments respectively, or to any of the said Proprietors upon any par- be given by  
 ticular Occasion, and not herein otherwise provided for, shall be given to the Clerk of  
 the said Proprietors by Advertisement, to be inserted in some Two *London* the Com-  
 daily Newspapers, and such Notices, when so published, shall be deemed pany.  
 and considered the same as personal Notices.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That the Directors to be from Time Meetings of  
 to Time appointed as aforesaid, or any Three or more of them, shall hold Directors,  
 their Meetings at such Time and at such Place within the Borough of and Regula-  
*Southwark* or City of *London*, or the Suburbs or Vicinity thereof, as a tions for their  
 Majority of the Directors shall from Time to Time approve; and all Ques- Proceedings.  
 tions, Matters, and Things which shall be proposed, discussed, or considered  
 by the said Directors at any of their Meetings, shall be decided and de-  
 termined by the Majority in Number of the Members present; and in  
 case of an equal Number of Votes, including the Vote of the Chairman  
 for the Time being, such Chairman shall have an additional or casting  
 Vote; and if on the Day appointed for any Meeting of the said Directors,  
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Three Directors shall not attend, then and in such Case the Meeting shall be adjourned to the next Day, not being a *Sunday*, and if the next Day shall be a *Sunday*, then to the *Monday* following, by the Director, or Directors then present, or if none be present, then by the Clerk of the said Company, or such other Person as shall attend in his Place; and any One or more of the said Directors, or the Clerk of the said Company, may at any Time call a Meeting of the Directors, by causing Notice in Writing, signed by such Director or by the Clerk of the Company, to be sent by the Post, or otherwise, to the Residence or Address of every other Director, and also renew the Meetings of the other Directors, although they may have been discontinued for want of Adjournment, or to institute a new Meeting independent of any Meeting appointed by Adjournment,

Powers of  
Directors.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the Directors for the Time being shall have the Custody of the Common Seal of the said Company, and appoint the Time and Place for holding General Assemblies or Meetings, and direct the Affairs and Business of the said Undertaking, as well in issuing, receiving, and laying out and disposing of all Sums of Money to be issued or received, laid out or disposed of for the Purposes of the said Company, as in contracting for and purchasing Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Materials, Goods, and Chattels for the Use of the said Undertaking, and entering into Agreements or Contracts for supplying with Gas the said several Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, and other public Passages and Places, and also Shops and Manufactories in the several Parishes, Townships, and Places herein-before enumerated, or Parts adjacent, or any Part thereof as aforesaid, or the Houses, Shops, or Buildings therein, and in selling and disposing of all Articles produced as aforesaid in manufacturing such Gas, and making, enforcing, and rescinding, compounding and compromising all Contracts and Bargains touching or in anywise concerning the same, or concerning any Debts due to the said Company, subject to such Orders, Bye-laws, Rules, and Regulations as shall at any Time be duly made by the said Company, in Restraint, Controul, or Regulation of the Powers and Authorities by this Act granted; and the said Directors shall and may appoint a Clerk, Officers, Servants, Workmen, and Tradesmen of the said Company, and from Time to Time dismiss, remove, or suspend them, as they shall think fit, and shall be at liberty at any Time to call any Special General Meetings of the said Company for any Purpose they may think proper, and shall and they are hereby required to take such Security to the said Company of Proprietors from the Treasurer or Treasurers, Clerk, or other Officer or Officers, or other Person, for the faithful Execution of their respective Duties, as they shall think proper and adequate to the Trust.

Directors  
may be re-  
moved, or  
Vacancies  
supplied, by  
General  
Meetings.

XX. And be it further enacted, That any Chairman, Deputy Chairman, or other Director of the said Company may at any Time be removed from his Office by a General Meeting specially called for that Purpose; and any Chairman, Deputy Chairman, or other Director, may at any Time vacate his Office by sending his Resignation in Writing to the Office of the said Company; and in case any Chairman, Deputy Chairman, or other Director shall, during the Continuance of his Office, by Transfer, Forfeiture, or otherwise, reduce the Shares in the said Joint Stock held by him respectively below the Amount of Two thousand Pounds, or shall otherwise become disqualified to be a Director of the said Company, then and



and in every such Case the Office of such Chairman, Deputy Chairman, or other Director, shall instantly determine and become vacant; and every Vacancy in the Offices of Chairman, Deputy Chairman, and Directors, by Death, Removal, Resignation, or becoming ineligible or disqualified as aforesaid, shall be filled up at a Special General Meeting to be called for that Purpose, within Thirty Days next after such Office respectively shall become vacant; and every Person who, in consequence of a Vacancy occasioned by any other Cause than that of going out of Office according to the Rotation aforesaid, shall be appointed Chairman, Deputy Chairman, or a Director, shall be deemed only a Substitute for the Person whose Place he shall supply, and shall continue in Office upon the same Terms and only for the same Period as the Person whose Place he shall supply would have continued if his Office had not been vacated before the Time at which he must necessarily have gone out of Office.

XXI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company of Proprietors, or their Directors, to appoint the Person who may be appointed their Clerk in the Execution of this Act, or the Partner of any such Clerk, or the Clerk or other Person in the Service or Employ of any such Clerk, the Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act, or to appoint the Person who may be appointed Treasurer, or the Partner of any such Treasurer, the Clerk to the said Company; and if any Person shall accept both the Offices of Clerk and Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act, or if any Person being the Partner of any such Clerk, or other Person in the Service or Employ of any such Clerk, shall accept the Office of Treasurer, or being the Partner of any such Treasurer shall accept the Office of Clerk in the Execution of this Act, or if any such Treasurer shall hold or accept any Place or Office of Profit or Trust under this Act other than that of Treasurer, every such Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds to any Person who shall sue for the same; to be recovered, with full Costs of Suit, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt or on the Case, or by Bill, Suit, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed, and shall for ever be disqualified from holding any Office or Place under the said Company.

Clerk and Treasurer not to be the same Person.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That the Treasurer or Treasurers, or other Officer or Officers to be appointed by the said Company, shall not issue any Sum or Sums of Money on account of the said Company, without an Order or Orders made at a General Meeting of the said Company, or without an Order or Orders in Writing, signed by Three or more Directors; and the Receipt or Receipts of such Treasurer or Treasurers for all Monies payable to him or them on account of the said Company shall be effectual Discharges for the same.

Treasurer not to issue Money without an Order signed by Three of the Directors.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That all Orders and Proceedings of the said Company of Proprietors, and of the Directors, shall be entered in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and shall be signed by the Chairman for the Time being; and such Orders and Proceedings, so entered and signed by the Chairman for the Time being of each respective Meeting, shall be deemed and taken to be original Orders and Proceedings,

Proceedings to be entered in Books.

ceedings, and shall be allowed to be read in Evidence in all Courts and Places whatsoever.

General Meetings may make Calls on Subscribers.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That any Half-yearly General Meeting, or Special General Meeting to be called for that Purpose, or Adjournment thereof respectively, shall have full Power to make such Call or Calls for Money from the several Subscribers and Proprietors of the said Undertaking, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, as such Meeting shall from Time to Time find wanting and necessary for the Purposes of the said Undertaking, so that no one such Call do exceed the Sum of Ten Pounds for or in respect of any One Share of Fifty Pounds, and so that no Call or Calls be made but at the Distance of One Calendar Month at least from another; and the Sum or several Sums of Money so to be called for shall be paid into the Hands of the Treasurer or Treasurers to the said Company; and the several Sums of Money so called for shall be paid at such Time and Place as shall be appointed by such General Meeting, of which Time and Place Twenty-one Days Notice at least shall be given in Two or more of the daily *London* Newspapers.

In Default of Payment on Calls, Shares to be forfeited.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That if any Subscriber, Person or Persons, or Proprietor or Proprietors of any Share or Shares in the said Undertaking, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, Successors, or Assigns, shall neglect or refuse to pay his, her, or their Part or Portion of the Money to be called for by any General or Special Meeting as aforesaid, by the Time appointed for Payment thereof, or within Seven Days then next after, then and in such Case such Person or Persons so neglecting or refusing shall (whether or not the same shall then have been sued for in any Court of Law or Equity) absolutely forfeit all his, her, or their Part, Share, and Interest in the said Undertaking and Capital Stock, and all Profit and Advantage thereof, and all Money theretofore advanced by him, her, or them on account thereof, to and for the Use and Benefit of the said Company, unless otherwise determined by a Special General Meeting; and all Shares which shall and may be so forfeited shall or may be sold at a public Sale for the most Money that can be gotten for the same, and the Produce thereof shall go to and make Part of the Capital or Joint Stock of the Company: Provided always, that no Advantage shall be taken of such Forfeiture of any Share in the said Undertaking as aforesaid, until after Fifteen Days Notice shall have been given by the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the said Company, or Three of the Directors, to the Owner or Owners thereof, by Notice in Writing left at his, her, or their usual or last Place of Abode, if they shall reside within the Limits of this Act, and if not, then by Letter sent by the Post; and every such Forfeiture so to be declared shall be an absolute Indemnification and Discharge to and for the Subscriber and Subscribers, Proprietor or Proprietors, or their Executors, Administrators, Successors, or Assigns, so forfeiting, against all Actions, Suits, and Prosecutions for or on account of not paying up such Calls.

If Purchase Money shall be more than sufficient to pay the Arrears and In-

XXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in case the Money produced by the Sale of any Share or Shares shall be more than sufficient to pay all such Arrears of Call as aforesaid, and legal Interest thereon, and the Expences attending such Sale or Sales, the Surplus of such Money shall be paid on Demand to the Person or Persons to whom such



Shares, until the Expiration of Three Calendar Months after such Transfer shall have been registered.

No Share to be sold after a Call till the Money called for is paid.

XXVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That after any Call for Money shall have been made by virtue of this Act, no Person or Persons shall sell or transfer any Share or Shares which he, she, or they shall possess in the said Undertaking, after the Day appointed for Payment of the said Call, until the Money so called for or in respect of his, her, or their Share or Shares intended to be sold shall be paid, and until such Money so called for shall be paid every such Sale or Transfer of any Share or Shares shall be void; and all and every Person or Persons making Default herein shall be subject and liable to forfeit such his, her, or their Share or Shares in the said Undertaking, to and for the general Benefit of the said Company, unless he, she, or they shall, at the Time of such Sale or Transfer, pay to the Treasurer of the said Company the full Sum of Money called for upon every Share so to be sold or transferred, such Forfeiture nevertheless to be first notified and declared in Manner directed by this Act with respect to the Forfeiture of Shares for not answering the Calls to be made thereon as aforesaid.

Executors indemnified in paying Calls.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Proprietor or Proprietors of any Share or Shares in the said Undertaking shall die before Payment shall have been made by him, her, or them of the full Sum to be called for or in respect thereof as aforesaid, without having made any sufficient Provisions, by Will or otherwise, how such Share or Shares shall be disposed of, and how the future Calls in respect thereof shall be answered, then and in such Case the Executors or Administrators of such Proprietor or Proprietors, and the Trustee or Trustees, Guardian or Guardians of any Infant, or other Person and Persons entitled to the Estate and Effects of such Proprietor or Proprietors, shall be indemnified against such Infant, and all other Persons whomsoever, for paying any Money which shall be called for as aforesaid, in respect of the Share or Shares of such deceased Proprietor or Proprietors.

For ascertaining the Proprietorship of Shares in certain Cases.

XXX. And whereas in case any original Holder or Proprietor of one or more Share or Shares in the said Undertaking shall die, become insolvent or bankrupt, go out of the Kingdom, or shall transfer his or her Right and Interest to some other Person, and no Register shall have been made of the Transfer thereof with the Clerk of the said Company, it may not be in the Power of the said Company, or any Officer acting for the said Company, to know who is or are the Owner or Proprietor, or Owners or Proprietors of such Share or Shares; be it therefore further enacted, That in all Cases where the Right and Property in one or more Share or Shares in the said Undertaking shall pass from the original Subscriber or Subscribers, or Proprietor or Proprietors thereof, to any other Person or Persons, by any other legal Means than by a Transfer or Conveyance thereof, in the Form and Manner herein-before specified, an Affidavit shall be made and sworn to before a Master or Master Extraordinary of His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, or One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the Counties of *Surrey* or *Kent*, stating the Manner in which such Share or Shares have or hath passed to such Person or Persons, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, Successors, or Assigns;

Assigns; and such Affidavit shall be delivered to the Clerk of the said Company, to the Intent that he may enter and register the Name or Names of every such other Proprietor or Proprietors in the Register Book or List of Subscribers and Proprietors in the said Undertaking, to be kept in the Office of the Clerk to the said Company.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That any General Assemblies or Meetings specially called for the Purpose shall have full Power from Time to Time to call for and examine the Accounts of the said Company; and at every Half-yearly General Assembly or Meeting, or some Adjournment thereof, a Dividend or Dividends shall be made out of the Interest, Profits, or Advantages of the said Undertaking, unless such Meeting shall declare otherwise; and such Dividend or Dividends shall be at and after the Rate of so much *per Centum* for every Share upon all and every the Sum and Sums of Money paid to the said Company by the said Subscribers, their Successors, Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, as such Meeting or Meetings shall think fit to appoint and determine; provided that no Dividend shall be made whereby the Capital of the said Company shall in any Degree be reduced or impaired, nor within Six Calendar Months after the passing of this Act; nor shall any Dividend be paid in respect of any Share or Shares after a Day appointed for Payment of any Call for Money in respect thereof until such Call shall have been paid. Accounts to be settled.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company of Proprietors hereby incorporated at any Time hereafter to sell or dispose of any of the Rights, Privileges, Powers, or Authorities vested in them by this Act, for supplying with Gas the several Parishes and Places within the Limits of this Act, or any of them, to any other Gas Light Company now existing, or which may hereafter be established for the supplying of Gas, or to any Person or Persons whomsoever. Powers vested in the Company by this Act shall not be alienable.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company, and they are hereby empowered, from Time to Time to treat, contract, and agree for the absolute Purchase of, and to hold to them and their Successors, any Buildings, Works, Mains, Pipes, and Apparatus, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which they may think requisite for any of the Purposes of this Act, not exceeding in the Whole at any one Time any greater Quantity than Twelve Statute Acres; and also to sell and dispose of such Buildings, Works, Mains, Pipes, and Apparatus, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as they shall think proper, and to purchase and hold other Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, not exceeding the Quantity aforesaid, without incurring or being subject or liable to any of the Penalties or Forfeitures of the Statutes of Mortmain, or any other Law or Statute whatsoever. Power to contract for the Purchase of Lands and Buildings.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for all Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Ecclesiastical or Lay, Aggregate or Sole, and all Tenants for Life and in Fee Tail, General or Special, or for any Term or Terms of Years absolute or determinable on any Life or Lives, and all Feoffees in Trust, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Bodies Politic empowered to sell.  
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Guardians, Committees for Lunatics and Idiots, and other Trustees whomsoever, not only for and on behalf of themselves, their Heirs and Successors, but also for and on behalf of their Cestuique Trusts respectively, whether Infants or Issue unborn, Lunatics, Idiots, or Femes Covert, and to and for all other Persons whomsoever who are or shall be seised, possessed of, or interested in any Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Part thereof, which shall be thought necessary by the said Company to be purchased for the Uses and Purposes of this Act, to treat, contract, and agree with the said Company for the Sale thereof or of any Part thereof, and to sell or convey all or any Part thereof, and all Estate, Right, Title, and Interest whatsoever of, in, and to the same, to the said Company, for the Purposes of this Act; and all Contracts, Bargains, Sales, and Conveyances which shall be so made by virtue and in pursuance of this Act shall, without any Fine or Fines, Recovery or Recoveries, or other Conveyances or Assurances in the Law whatsoever, and without Enrolment, be good, valid, and effectual to all Intents and Purposes, not only to convey the Estate and Interest of the Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, Ecclesiastical or Lay, Aggregate or Sole, or other Person or Persons conveying, but also to convey all Right, Estate, Interest, Use, Property, Claim, and Demand whatsoever of their said several and respective Cestuique Trusts, and all Persons whomsoever claiming or to claim by, from, or under them, and of all Persons entitled in Remainder or Reversion expectant on any such particular Estate; and the same shall be deemed and considered to bar the Dower and Dowers of the Wife and Wives of such Person and Persons, and all Estates Tail, and other Estates, in Possession, Remainder, Reversion, or Expectancy, and the Issue and Issues of such Person and Persons claiming under them, as effectually as Fines or Common Recoveries would do if levied or suffered by the said proper Parties in due Form of Law, any Law, Statute, or Usage, or any other Matter or Thing whatsoever, to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding; and all Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Ecclesiastical or Lay, Aggregate or Sole, and all Tenants for Life or in Fee Tail, General or Special, or for any Term or Terms of Years absolute or determinable on any Life or Lives, and all Feoffees in Trust, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, Trustees, and all and every other Person and Persons, is, are, and shall be hereby indemnified for what he, she, or they shall do by virtue and in pursuance of this Act.

Application  
of Purchase  
Money when  
exceeding  
200*l.*

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That if any Money shall be agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, or any Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, purchased by virtue of the Powers of this Act, which shall belong to any Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Feme Covert, Infant, Lunatic, or Person or Persons under any Disability or Incapacity whatsoever, such Money shall, in case the same shall amount to or exceed the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, with all convenient Speed be paid into the Bank of *England*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court of Exchequer, to be placed to his Account *ex parte* the *Phœnix* Gas Light and Coke Company, pursuant to the Directions of an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King *George*  
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the Fourth, intituled *An Act for the better securing Monies and Effects paid into the Court of Exchequer at Westminster on account of the Suitors of the said Court, and for the Appointment of an Accountant General and Two Masters of the said Court, and for other Purposes*, and the General Orders of the said Court, and without Fee or Reward, to the Intent that such Money may be applied, under the Direction and with the Approbation of the said Court, to be signified by an Order made upon a Petition to be preferred in a summary Way by the Body or Bodies, Person or Persons, who would have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the Purchase or Redemption of Land Tax, or in or towards the Discharge of any Debt or Debts, or such other Incumbrance or Part thereof as the said Court shall authorize to be paid, affecting the same Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, or other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments settled therewith to the same or the like Uses, Intents, or Purposes; or where such Money shall not be so applied, then the same shall be laid out and invested, under the like Direction and Approbation of the said Court, in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, which shall be conveyed and settled to, for, and upon such and the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes, and in the same Manner, as the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments which shall be purchased for the Purposes of this Act stood and were settled and limited, or such of them as at the Time of making such Conveyance and Settlement shall be existing undetermined and capable of taking effect; and in the meantime, and until such Purchase shall be made, the said Money shall, by Order of the said Court, upon Application made thereto as aforesaid, be invested by the said Accountant General in his Name in the Purchase of Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated or Three Pounds *per Centum* Reduced Bank Annuities; and in the meantime, and until the said Bank Annuities shall be ordered by the said Court to be sold for the Purposes aforesaid, the Dividends and annual Produce of the said Consolidated or Reduced Bank Annuities shall from Time to Time be paid, by Order of the said Court, to the Body or Bodies, Person or Persons, who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments so hereby directed to be purchased, in case such Purchase or Settlement were then actually made.

XXXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Money so agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, or any Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, purchased for the Purposes of this Act, belonging to any Body or Bodies, Person or Persons, under any Disability or Incapacity as aforesaid, shall be less than the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, and shall exceed or be equal to the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then and in all such Cases the same shall, at the Option of the Body or Bodies, Person or Persons, for the Time being entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Parts, Estates, or Interests so purchased, or of his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, in case of Infancy, Idiocy, or Lunacy, to be signified in Writing under their respective Hands, be paid into the Bank in the

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Name and with the Privity of the said Accountant General of the Court of Exchequer, and be placed to his Account as aforesaid, in order to be applied in manner herein-before directed; or otherwise the same shall be paid, at the like Option, to Two Trustees, to be named by the Body or Bodies, Person or Persons, making such Option, and approved by Three or more of the Directors of the said Company, such Nomination and Approbation to be signified by Writing under the Hands of the nominating and approving Parties, in order that such Principal Money, and the Dividends to arise thereon, may be applied in manner herein-before directed, so far as the Case shall be applicable, without obtaining or being required to obtain the Direction or Approbation of the said Court.

Application of Purchase Money when not exceeding 20*l.*

XXXVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where such Money so to be paid as last before mentioned shall not exceed or amount to the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then and in all such Cases the same shall be applied to the Use of the Body or Bodies, Person or Persons, who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, Parts, Estates, and Interests, so to be purchased for the Purposes of this Act, in such Manner as the Directors of the said Company, or any Three or more of them, shall think fit, or in case of Infancy, Idiocy, or Lunacy, then to his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, to and for the Use and Benefit of such Person or Persons so entitled respectively.

In case of disputed Titles, the Persons in Possession to be deemed lawfully entitled.

XXXVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where any Question shall arise touching the Title of any Body or Person to any Money to be paid into the Bank of *England* in the Name and with the Privity of the said Accountant General of the Court of Exchequer, in pursuance of this Act, for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or for any Share, Estate, Right, and Interest in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased in pursuance of this Act, or to any Bank Annuities to be purchased with any such Money, or to the Dividends or Interest of any such Bank Annuities, the Person or Persons who shall have been in Possession of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, Share or Shares, at the Time of such Purchase, and all Persons claiming under such Person or Persons, or under the Possession of such Person or Persons, shall be deemed and taken to have been lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, Share or Shares, according to such Possession, until the contrary shall be shown to the Satisfaction of the said Court; and the Dividends or Interest of the Bank Annuities to be purchased with such Money, and also the Capital of such Bank Annuities, shall be paid, applied, and disposed of accordingly, unless it shall be made appear to the said Court that such Possession was a wrongful Possession, and that some other Body or Bodies, Person or Persons, was or were lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or to some Estate or Interest therein.

Expences of Purchases may be allowed by the Court.

XXXIX. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That where by reason of any Disability or Incapacity of the Person or Persons, or Corporation, entitled to any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased under the Authority of this Act, the Purchase Money for the same shall



shall be required to be paid into the said Court of Exchequer, and to be applied in the Purchase of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be settled to the like Uses in pursuance of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Court to order the Expenses of all Purchases from Time to Time to be made in pursuance of this Act, or so much of the Expenses as the said Court shall deem reasonable, to be paid by the said Company, who shall from Time to Time pay such Sums of Money for such Purposes as the said Court shall direct.

XL. And be it further enacted, That upon Payment of the Money so contracted or agreed to be paid for the Purchase of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments by the said Company, or the Party or Parties or Person or Persons respectively entitled to such Money, or their Agents, or upon Payment thereof into the Bank of *England*, for the Purpose of being disposed of in manner herein directed, as the Case may be, and upon the Conveyance in manner herein directed of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Use, Trust, Property, Claim, and Demand, in Law or in Equity, of the Party and Parties, and Person and Persons respectively, to whom or for whose Use the same shall be paid in, to, or out of such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, shall vest in the said Company and their Successors for ever, for effecting the Uses and Purposes of this Act.

On Payment of Purchase Money, Premises vested in the said Company.

XLI. And be it further enacted, That all Sales, Conveyances, and Assurances of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be made to the said Company of Proprietors and their Successors, shall be made in the Form and to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

‘ I [or we, as the Case may be] of \_\_\_\_\_ in consideration  
 ‘ of the Sum of \_\_\_\_\_ paid to me  
 ‘ [or us], or into the Bank of *England* [as the Case may be] by Form of  
 ‘ the Company of Proprietors established under or by virtue of an Conveyance.  
 ‘ Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Fourth,  
 ‘ intituled [here insert the Title of this Act], do hereby grant and release  
 ‘ [or assign, as the Case may be] to the said Company of Proprietors and their  
 ‘ Successors all [here describe the Premises to be conveyed] and all my [or  
 ‘ our] Right, Title, and Interest in and to the same and every Part  
 ‘ thereof, to hold to the said Company of Proprietors, and their Succes-  
 ‘ sors and Assigns for ever [or as the Case may be], during all the  
 ‘ Remainder of my [or our] Term, Estate, and Interest in the said  
 ‘ Premises. In witness whereof I [or we] have hereunto set my  
 ‘ Hand and Seal [or our Hands and Seals] this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of  
 ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred  
 ‘ and \_\_\_\_\_

XLII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to sell and dispose of, and by Indenture or Indentures under their Common Seal to grant and convey, by way of absolute Sale in Fee Simple, for a Consideration in Money, all or any Part or Parts of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which may have been so purchased, and which shall not be wanted for the Purposes of this Act; and upon Payment of the Money which shall arise by or from the Sale or Sales

Resale of Land not wanted.

of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or of any Part or Parts thereof, it shall be lawful for the Treasurer for the Time being to the said Company to sign and give a Receipt or Receipts for the Money for which the same shall be sold, which Receipt or Receipts shall be a sufficient Discharge or sufficient Discharges to any Person or Persons for the Money therein and hereby expressed or acknowledged to be received; and such Person or Persons having *bonâ fide* paid the same, shall not afterwards be answerable or accountable for any Loss, Misapplication, or Nonapplication of such Purchase Money, or any Part thereof.

Restraining  
the Company  
from pur-  
chasing more  
than Twelve  
Statute Acres  
of Land from  
incapacitated  
Persons, &c.

XLIII. And whereas the said Company of Proprietors are enabled to purchase Twelve Statute Acres of Land, where they may erect Works by virtue of this Act, for the Purposes thereof, and all Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, and all other Persons whomsoever, are empowered to sell such Quantity or Number of Acres to the said Company: And whereas it is expedient to restrain the said Company from selling any such Lands so purchased from any Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Trustees or Feoffees in Trust for charitable or other Purposes, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, or other Trustees for or in behalf of Infants, Lunatics, Idiots, Femes Covert, Cestuique Trust, Tenants for Life or in Tail, and Persons to whom or for whose Benefit Lands are limited in strict Settlement, and other Persons being under legal Disability or Incapacity, and again purchasing other Lands from the same or any other Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Trustees or Feoffees in Trust for charitable or other Purposes, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, or other Trustees for or in behalf of Infants, Lunatics, Idiots, Femes Covert, Cestuique Trust, Tenants for Life or in Tail, and Persons to whom or for whose Benefit Lands are limited in strict Settlement, and other Persons being under legal Disability or Incapacity, in lieu or stead of the Lands so sold: Be it therefore enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company of Proprietors to purchase from any Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Trustees or Feoffees in Trust for charitable or other Purposes, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, or other Trustees for or in behalf of Infants, Lunatics, Idiots, Femes Covert, Cestuique Trusts, Tenants for Life or in Tail, and Persons to whom or for whose Benefit Lands are limited in strict Settlement, and other Persons being under legal Disability or Incapacity, more than such Twelve Statute Acres; and in case the said Company shall afterwards sell the Whole or any Part of such Twelve Statute Acres so purchased, it shall not be lawful for the said Company to purchase of or for the same or any other Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Trustees or Feoffees in Trust for charitable or other Purposes, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, or other Trustees for or in behalf of Infants, Lunatics, Idiots, Femes Covert, Cestuique Trust, Tenants for Life or in Tail, Persons to whom or for whose Benefit Lands are limited in strict Settlement, and other Persons being under legal Disability or Incapacity, to sell to the said Company any other Lands in lieu or instead of those

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Twelve Statute Acres, or any Part thereof, so sold or disposed of by the said Company.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Company hereby established, and their Successors, and they are hereby fully authorised and empowered, by their Servants, Agents, Workmen, and others, from Time to Time to make and erect or provide such Retorts, Gasometers, Receivers, or other Buildings, Cisterns, Engines, Machines, or other Apparatus, Cuts, Drains, Sewers, Watercourses, Reservoirs, and other Works and Devices, on the Lands to be purchased or acquired by them by virtue of the Powers herein-before contained, and to sink and lay Pipes (and with the Permission or Consent of the Owners and Occupiers, but not otherwise), to erect and fix them against any Walls, or in Posts and Pillars, under the Directions and Stipulations of this Act, of such Construction and in such Manner as the said Company and their Successors shall think necessary or proper for carrying the Purposes of this Act into execution; but nothing in this Act contained shall authorise or empower the said Company, or any of their Servants, Agents, Workmen, or others, to enter into any private Lands, Grounds, or Premises, or continue any of their Pipes thereon, without the Consent of the Owners and Occupiers of every Dwelling House or Houses, Buildings, Lands, Walls, Posts, or Pillars, through or against which any such Pipe or Pipes may be carried, affixed or laid, being first had and obtained.

Power to erect Works, &c.

XLV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Company shall have full Power and Authority to lay any Main or Mains for the Supply of any Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, public Passages and Places, Dwelling House or Houses, Manufactories, Shops, Warehouses, public or private Buildings, within the Limits of this Act, or any of them, respectively, and to erect and set up by themselves, or their Agents, Servants, and Workmen, any Machine or other Apparatus necessary or requisite for securing to such Dwelling House or Houses, Manufactories, Warehouses, public or private Buildings, a proper and competent Supply of Gas, or for measuring and ascertaining the Extent of such Supply; and also to alter or amend any bad or imperfect Work which shall have been placed in such Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, public Passages and Places, Dwelling Houses, Manufactories, Shops, Warehouses, public or private Buildings; anything in this Act to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Power to lay Mains, and to erect Machinery requisite for securing a competent Supply of Gas to Dwelling Houses, &c., and to alter and amend imperfect Work.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for the said Company to contract with the Commissioners, Trustees, Persons, or Bodies having the Control, Direction, or Management of the Lighting of any of the Parishes, or extra-parochial Places, within the Limits of this Act, or any Persons, Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Aggregate or Sole, willing to contract with the said Company for the lighting or supplying with Gas any such Persons, Parishes, or Places, or any Streets, Highways, Lanes, or Passages, or Manufactories, Shops, Warehouses, or private Houses, public or private Buildings, and Places of public Exhibition, within the Limits of this Act respectively, and to agree with any Person and Persons for the lighting

Power to Company to contract for the Lighting of Streets and Houses.

ing or supplying with Gas any Shops, Warehouses, public or private Houses, or Buildings, Streets, Roads, or Places, within the Limits of this Act.

Power to  
light up  
Houses, &c.  
from the  
Mains.

XLVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company, and they are hereby fully authorised and empowered, in such Cases as to them shall seem meet and convenient, to carry, fit up, and furnish any Pipe or Pipes, Cocks or Branches, or other necessary Apparatus, from any Main or Pipe, in any Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place, laid by or belonging to the said Company, by virtue of this Act, in or through any Dwelling House or Houses, Manufactories, public or private Buildings, for the Purpose of lighting the same, or any public or private Lamp, from any such Main or Pipe, with the Consent of the Owner and Occupier of such Dwelling House or Houses, Manufactories, public or private Buildings, but not otherwise.

Company to  
remove  
Pipes, &c.  
when Tenants  
quit,  
if required.

XLVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Company shall at their own Expense, on the Expiration or Determination of the Tenancy or Tenancies of any Occupier or Occupiers so giving Consent as aforesaid, or within Ten Days after the Expiration or Determination of such Tenancy or Tenancies, upon receiving Three Days Notice in Writing for the Purpose, for or on behalf of the Owner or Owners, or the succeeding Occupier or Occupiers of any such Dwelling House or Houses, Manufactories, public or private Buildings as aforesaid, remove, take, and carry away, or cause to be removed, taken, and carried away, any Pipe or Pipes, Cocks or Branches, from any Main or Pipe which shall have been introduced or laid by the said Company in any such Dwelling House or Houses, Manufactories, public or private Buildings as aforesaid, pursuant to the Power for that Purpose herein-before contained, and repair and make good such Dwelling House or Houses, Manufactories, public or private Buildings, where the same shall have been so introduced, anything herein contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding; and in default thereof it shall be lawful for such Owner or Owners, or such new Occupier or Occupiers, as the Case may require, or any other Person or Persons acting under their, his, or her respective Authorities or Authority, to cause such Pipes, Cocks, or Branches to be removed, taken, and carried away, and the Dwelling House or Houses, Manufactories, public or private Buildings where the same shall have been introduced, to be repaired and made good, the reasonable Costs and Charges for so doing the same shall be immediately paid by the said Company, or their Treasurer for the Time being, to such Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers, as the Case may require; provided nevertheless, that if such reasonable Costs and Charges be not paid within Fourteen Days next after Demand shall be made by such Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers, (Proof of such Demand being made by the Oath of One credible Witness, before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the County of *Surrey*,) all such reasonable Costs and Charges shall and may be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the said Company, together with the Costs and Charges of such Distress and Sale, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals of One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace  
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for the said County, and which Warrant such Justice and Justices is and are hereby empowered to grant, and such Costs and Charges shall be paid to such Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers, as the Case may require.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful to or for the said Company, or any Person or Persons acting by or under their Authority, to break or take up, or disturb, or cause to be broken, taken up, or disturbed, the Pavement or Ground in any Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place, for the Purpose of laying down any Mains or Pipes (except Service Pipes of a Diameter not exceeding One Inch in the Bore), without the Consent in Writing of the Commissioners, Trustees, or other Persons having the Control of the Pavements or Roads, Ground or Soil in such Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place, signified under the Hand or Hands of their Clerk or Clerks, or other proper Officer or Officers, first obtained; but nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed or construed to prevent the said Company from laying down, repairing, or altering such Main Pipes, after such Consent obtained as aforesaid, or from opening, taking up, or removing any Ground, Stones, Soil, or Pavement, or otherwise, in or of any Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place whatsoever, for the Purpose of laying down, repairing, or altering any Service Pipes, or Apparatus leading from such Main Pipes, after such Consent obtained as aforesaid.

Restriction  
as to the  
breaking up  
of Pavements,  
Roads, &c.

L. And be it further enacted, That after such Consent as aforesaid it shall not be lawful to or for the said Company, or any Person or Persons acting by or under their Authority, to break or take up or disturb, or cause to be broken or taken up or disturbed, any of the Pavements or Ground in any Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place, for the Purpose of laying down or repairing any Main Pipe or Pipes (except Service Pipes as aforesaid), or of altering the Position of any such Main Pipe or Pipes (except as aforesaid), unless Notice in Writing of their Intention to break or take up such Pavement or Ground, signed by the Clerk, or Inspector, or Surveyor to the said Company, specifying the Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place, and the particular Part of such Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place in which such Pavement or Ground is intended to be broken or taken up, shall have been given to the Surveyor of such Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place for the Time being, or to a Surveyor of the Parochial or other District or Place wherein such Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place, the Pavement, Ground, or Soil whereof is so intended to be broken or taken up, shall be situate, or shall have been left for him at his Dwelling House or Office for the Space of Three Hours at the least before such Pavement or Ground, or any Part thereof, shall be so broken or taken up, except in all Cases of sudden Emergency, in which such Notice as aforesaid shall be given to such Surveyor of Pavements or Roads as soon as possible after such Pavements or Ground, or any Part thereof, shall be broken or taken up; and if the said Company, or any Person or Persons acting by or under their Authority, shall break or take up or disturb, or cause to be broken,

Notice to be  
given of  
breaking up  
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taken up, or disturbed, any such Pavements or Ground, without such Consent being obtained as aforesaid, and such Notice being given or left as aforesaid (except as aforesaid), or shall break or take up or disturb, or cause to be broken, taken up, or disturbed, any such Pavement or Ground, for the Purpose of laying down any Main or Mains, without such Consent as aforesaid, then and in every such Case the said Company shall forfeit and pay to the Commissioners or Trustees, or other Persons having the Control of the Pavements or Roads, Ground or Soil, which shall be so broken or taken up or disturbed, or to their Treasurer, Clerk, or Surveyor, or to such other Person as they may appoint, the Sum of Twenty Pounds for every Square Yard of Pavement or Ground which shall be so broken or taken up without such Consent and Notice as aforesaid (except as aforesaid), to be recovered and levied in such Manner as other Penalties and Forfeitures by this Act imposed are directed to be recovered and levied.

Requiring  
Company to  
reinstate  
Pavements,  
&c. after  
Pipes, &c.  
have been  
laid down.

LI. And be it further enacted, That whenever and so often as the said Company shall have lawfully broken up or removed the Stones, Ground, Soil, or Pavement in or of any Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place, or any Part thereof, the said Company shall and they are hereby required immediately thereafter to reinstate and make good such Ground, Soil, or Pavement, in as good sound State or Condition as the same was or were in at the Time of being so broken up, to the Satisfaction of the Surveyor to the Commissioners or Trustees of such Pavement, Soil, or Ground respectively; and the said Company shall carry or cause to be carried away all surplus Earth, Filth, and Rubbish occasioned thereby, at their own Costs and Charges; and during the Time that such Works are carried on by the said Company, and such Ground, Soil, or Pavement is reinstated as aforesaid, the said Company shall provide proper Watchmen, with necessary Lights at Night, and otherwise guard the said Works, so as to prevent any Damage or Inconvenience happening to Passengers, Cattle, or Carriages; and in case the said Company shall neglect and make default in making good and reinstating such Ground, Soil, or Pavement as aforesaid, or removing any Rubbish occasioned thereby, or in placing and setting up such Lights at Night, and otherwise guarding the said Works so as to prevent Accidents to Passengers, Cattle, and Carriages, then and in every such Case it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners or Trustees to reinstate and make good such Ground, Soil, or Pavement; and the Charges and Expenses thereof shall be reimbursed and repaid by the said Company or their Treasurer to the said Commissioners or Trustees, or their respective Treasurers; and in default of Payment thereof within Ten Days next after Demand thereof in Writing shall have been made by the Clerk of the said Commissioners or Trustees, Proof of such Demand being made by the Oath of One credible Witness, before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace, all such Sum or Sums of Money so paid by them, together with any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds by way of Penalty, shall and may be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the said Company, together with the Charges of such Distress and Sale, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals of any such Justice or Justices of the Peace as aforesaid, and which Warrant such Justice or Justices

tices is and are hereby empowered to grant; and such Sum or Sums of Money shall be paid to the said Commissioners or Trustees, or their Treasurer.

LII. And be it further enacted, That if it shall at any Time or Times be deemed necessary or expedient by the Commissioners or Trustees for paving or repairing the said Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, and other public Passages and Places respectively, to require the said Company to raise or sink, or otherwise alter the Situation of any of the Pipes, Stopcocks, Plugs, or Branches which shall be laid down for the Purposes aforesaid, the said Company shall, at their own Expense, within One Calendar Month next after being required so to do, by Notice in Writing to them given by the said Commissioners or Trustees respectively, signed by their Clerk, raise or sink such Pipes, Stopcocks, Plugs, or Branches, according to such Notice, in such Place or Places as the said Commissioners or Trustees respectively shall think right and proper; and in default thereof it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners or Trustees, or their Surveyor, or any other Person or Persons acting by their Order and under their Authority, to cause such Pipes, Cocks, Plugs, or Branches to be raised or sunk, and the reasonable Costs and Charges of doing the same shall immediately thereafter be paid by the said Company: Provided nevertheless, that if such reasonable Costs and Charges be not paid within Fourteen Days next after Demand shall be made by such Surveyor or other Person, acting by or under the Authority of the Commissioners or Trustees, at the Office of the said Company, Proof of such Demand being made by the Oath of One credible Witness, before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace, all such reasonable Costs and Charges shall and may be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the said Company, together with the Charges of such Distress and Sale, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals of any such Justice or Justices, which Warrant such Justice or Justices is and are hereby empowered to grant, and such Costs and Charges shall be paid to the said Commissioners or Trustees, or their Treasurer.

Power to  
alter Pipes.

LIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if by the raising, sinking, or altering any of the said Pipes, Cocks, Syphons, Plugs, or Branches, any Damage or Injury shall be wilfully or negligently done to the same by the said Commissioners, Trustees, or their Servants, then and in every such Case such Damage or Injury shall be made good as soon as Circumstances will permit, and the Costs, Charges, and Expenses thereof shall be paid by the said Commissioners or Trustees.

Damage to  
be made  
good.

LIV. And be it further enacted, That whenever any Gas shall be found to escape from any of the Pipes which shall be laid down or set up by the said Company in pursuance of this Act, the said Company shall at their own Expense, immediately after receiving Notice by Parol or in Writing of any such Escape of Gas from any Person or Persons whomsoever, cause the most speedy and effectual Measures to be taken to stop and prevent such Gas from escaping; and in case the said Company shall not, within Twenty-four Hours next after such Notice in Writing of any such

For prevent-  
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cape of Gas.

such Escape of Gas, effectually stop and prevent the Gas from escaping, and wholly and satisfactorily remove the Cause of Complaint, then and in every such Case the said Company shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Pounds for each and every Day after the Expiration of Twenty-four Hours from the Time of giving any such Notice, during which the Gas shall be suffered to escape as aforesaid; which Penalty shall from Time to Time be recoverable in a summary Way, on the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, by Information to be laid and exhibited before some One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Surrey* or *Kent*, and shall and may be recovered and levied, with all reasonable Charges, by Distress of the Goods and Chattels of the said Company, by the Warrant of any Justice or Justices of the Peace as aforesaid, in manner herein-after directed.

Report of Works to be sent to the Secretary of State for the Home Department half-yearly at least.

LV. And be it further enacted, That the Directors of the said Company shall and they are hereby required, within Two Calendar Months after every Half-yearly General Meeting of the said Company, or oftener if required by His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department for the Time being, to transmit to the said Secretary of State a Report in Writing, signed by the Chairman or Deputy Chairman, or One of the said Directors, of the State of the said Company, and of their Works, and the Means possessed by the said Company for securing the Continuance of their Operations, and such other Matters relating to the Works and Proceedings of the said Company as the said Secretary of State shall from Time to Time require; and in case the said Directors shall not, within the said Period of Two Calendar Months after every such General Meeting as aforesaid, or within the like Period, after being required by His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department, transmit to the said Secretary of State such Report in Writing, the said Company shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds for every such Offence, to be recovered by His Majesty's Attorney General, by Information in the Court of Exchequer, or by Action of Debt in His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, for the Use of His Majesty.

Stations and Works to be open at all Times to the Inspection of Persons appointed by the Secretary of State.

LVI. And be it further enacted, That all the Stations and Works of the said Company shall be open at all convenient Times for the Inspection and Examination of such Person or Persons as the said Secretary of State for the Home Department for the Time being shall appoint from Time to Time for that Purpose; and the said Company shall and they are hereby required to conform to such Regulations and Proceedings in the several Parts of their Works and Operations hereafter to be erected and executed as the said Secretary of State shall consider necessary and proper, and shall direct to be adopted for the better and more effectual lighting the several Parishes and Townships of *Saint Olave*, *Saint John*, *Saint George the Martyr*, *Saint Saviour*, and *Saint Thomas* in the Borough of *Southwark* and County of *Surrey*; and in the Parishes of *Saint Mary Lambeth*, *Saint Giles Camberwell*, *Saint Mary Rotherhithe*, *Christchurch*, *Saint Mary Newington*, *Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey*, *Dockhead*, and *Horselydown*, the *Clink Liberty*, *Clapham*, *Walworth*, *Streatham*, and *Blackman Street* in the Borough of *Southwark*, *Vauxhall*, and *Stockwell*, and other Roads, Streets, and Places in the East Half Hundred of *Brixton* in the County



County of *Surrey*; *Wandsworth*, *Tooting*, *Battersea*, and *Putney*, and other Roads, Streets, and Places in the West Half Hundred of *Brixton* in the said County of *Surrey*; and the several Parishes and Places of *Saint Paul Deptford*, *Saint Nicholas Deptford*, and *Greenwich*, in the Counties of *Surrey* and *Kent*; and the several Places adjacent or contiguous thereto, the Neighbourhoods thereof and Parts adjacent as aforesaid, where the Mains and Pipes of the said Company shall lie; and for more effectually securing a proper and permanent Supply of Gas for lighting the public Lamps therein, and for assisting and advancing the Benefits to be derived from an active and efficient Police, and for such other Purposes as to the said Secretary of State shall seem meet and proper for the Advantage of the Public.

LVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Person shall lay or cause to be laid any Pipe to communicate with any Pipe belonging to the said Company, nor fit or alter any of the Fittings of any Pipes or Lamps belonging to the said Company, without the Consent of the said Company in Writing first had and obtained, nor use Burners of a larger Dimension than he, she, or they shall contract to pay for, or supply any Inhabitant or other Person with any Part of such Gas, on pain of forfeiting and paying to the said Company and their Successors the Sum of Forty Shillings *per* Day for every Day such Pipe shall so remain, or such Excess be so committed, or such Supply furnished, to be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals of any Justice or Justices of the Peace for the County, Place, or District where the said Offence shall be committed, and which Warrant such Justice or Justices is and are hereby empowered and required to grant; and the Surplus, after such Penalty or Forfeiture, and the Charges of such Distress and Sale, are deducted, shall be returned upon Demand to the Owner of such Goods and Chattels; and in case sufficient Distress cannot be found, or such Forfeiture shall not forthwith be paid, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices to cause such Offender or Offenders to be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction of the said County, Place, or District, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for such Time as such Justice or Justices shall direct, not exceeding Six Calendar Months, unless such Forfeiture, and all reasonable Charges, be sooner paid and satisfied,

No Pipes of Communication to be laid without the Consent of the Company.

LVIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall wilfully, maliciously, or negligently do or commit, or cause to be done or committed, any Injury or Damage to any of the Mains or Service Pipes of the said Company, either by removing or disturbing the Ground or Soil wherein or whereon the same is or are laid or placed, or by the compression or subsequent settling or lowering of the same, at any Time or Times afterwards, or by any other Means whatsoever, or if any Person or Persons whomsoever shall wilfully or maliciously remove, destroy, damage, or injure any or any Part of any Pipe, Post, Plug, Lamp, or other Apparatus, Matter, or Thing belonging to the said Company, or shall wilfully or maliciously waste or improperly use any of the Inflammable Air or Gas supplied by the said Company, or shall alter, exchange, or remove the Burners from the Pipes of Supply, every Person so offending in any of the respective Premises, and being thereof lawfully convicted on the Oath

Penalty for damaging Pipes, &c.

of One credible Witness, before One or more Justice or Justices for the County, Place, or District where the said Offences shall be committed, shall for every separate Act or Offence forfeit and pay to the said Company and their Successors, or such other Person or Persons as aforesaid, any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, and Three Times the Amount of the Damage to be done, as the same shall be ascertained by such Justice or Justices; such Penalty and Damage, together with reasonable Costs, to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Offender, returning the Overplus (if any) to the Owner of such Goods and Chattels, or such Offender shall and may be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction of the County, Place, or District where the Offence is committed, for any Time not exceeding Six Calendar Months, at the Discretion of the Justice or Justices before whom such Offender shall be convicted, or until such Forfeiture, Damage, and Costs shall be paid.

For the Protection of Water Pipes.

LIX. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Pipes or other Conduits to be laid or used for the Conveyance of Gas in, under, through, along, across, or round any Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place within the Limits of this Act, shall be so laid at the greatest practicable Distance, and whenever the Width of the Carriageway in such Road, Street, or Place will allow thereof, at the Distance of Four Feet at least, as well from the nearest Part of any Water Pipe already laid down, or hereafter to be laid down, by or by the Order of any Company of Proprietors, for the Conveyance of Water in, under, through, along, across, or round any of the said Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, or other public Passages or Places within the Limits of this Act aforesaid, as also from the nearest Part of any Main or Conduit Pipe already laid down, or hereafter to be laid down, by or by the Order of any Gaslight Company for the Conveyance of Gas in, under, through, along, across, or round any Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, or other public Passages or Places within the Limits of this Act (unless in Cases where it shall be unavoidably necessary to lay the Pipes of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company across any of the Pipes of any Company of Proprietors for the Conveyance of Water, or of any Gaslight Company, in which Cases the said Pipes of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company shall, if practicable, be laid over and above such Water Pipes, or such Pipes of any Gaslight Company (as the Case may be), at the greatest practicable Distance therefrom, and shall form therewith as near as possible a right Angle), and in such Cases the said Pipes of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company so crossing the said Pipes of any Company of Proprietors for the Conveyance of Water, or of any Gaslight Company, shall be at least Nine Feet in Length, so that no Joint of any of the said Pipes of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company shall be nearer to any Part of the said Pipes of any Company of Proprietors for the Conveyance of Water, or of any Gaslight Company, than Four Feet at least; and in laying down the said Pipes the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, their Successors or Assigns, shall in no Case join Two or more Gas Pipes together previous to their being laid in the Trench, but shall lay each Pipe as near as may be in its Place in the Trench, and shall in such Trench properly form the Jointing with the other Pipes to be added thereto with proper and sufficient Materials, and shall also make and keep all and every such Pipes, and all Pipes connected

nected or communicating therewith, and all the Screws, Joints, Inlets, Apertures, or Openings therein respectively Air-tight, and in all and every respect prevent the said Gas from escaping therefrom, and from any Part thereof, upon pain of forfeiting for every such Offence the Sum of Five Pounds, to be recovered as any Penalty is herein directed to be recovered ; provided the said Company shall neglect or refuse to make such Gas Pipes Air-tight within Twenty-four Hours after Notice thereof given to them in Writing.

LX. And be it further enacted, That whenever the Water of any Company of Proprietors for the Conveyance of Water in, under, through, along, across, or round any of the said Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, or other public Passages or Places within the Limits of this Act, or the Water or Waters of any Person or Persons, shall be contaminated or affected by the Gas of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence a Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds, to be sued for and recovered as any Penalty is hereby directed to be sued for and recovered, and shall be applied to and for the Use and Benefit of the Company of Proprietors or Person or Persons who shall have their Water contaminated or affected as aforesaid ; and in case any such Water shall be contaminated or affected by Gas in any way whatsoever, then and in every such Case and Cases, the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, their Successors and Assigns, shall within Twenty-four Hours next after Notice thereof in Writing signed by any of the Directors, or by the Treasurer, or by the Manager or Chief Clerk for the Time being of and for any Company of Proprietors for the supplying of Water within the Limits of this Act, or by any Person or Persons whose Water or Waters shall be so contaminated, to be left at the usual Office or Place of transacting Business of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, cause the most proper and effectual Measures to be taken effectually to stop and prevent Gas from escaping from their Works, Mains, or Pipes, or contaminating or affecting the Water of any Company of Proprietors for the supplying of Water, or from the contaminating the Water of any Person or Persons ; and in case the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, their Successors or Assigns, shall not, within Twenty-four Hours next after each and every such Notice so left as aforesaid, effectually stop and prevent Gas from so escaping, and wholly and satisfactorily remove the Cause of every such Complaint, and prevent all and every such Contamination, whereof Notice shall be given as aforesaid, then and in every such Case the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, their Successors or Assigns, shall on each and every Complaint, whereof Notice shall be given as aforesaid, forfeit and pay to such Company of Proprietors for the supplying of Water, for the Use and Benefit of the same Company of Proprietors, and also to any Person or Persons who shall be so injured by such Contamination as aforesaid, over and above the before-mentioned Penalty of Twenty Pounds, to be recovered as aforesaid, the Sum of Ten Pounds for each and every Day during which the Water of such last-mentioned Company, or of such Person or Persons, shall be and remain contaminated or affected by the Gas of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company ; and in default of Payment thereof as aforesaid such Penalty or Penalties shall and may be recovered by Information, to be exhibited

Company to prevent Escape of Gas, and Contamination, &c. of Water.

exhibited on the Oath of One credible Witness, by and in the Name of the Treasurer, or by and in the Name of the Manager and Chief Clerk for the Time being of such Company of Proprietors for the supplying of Water, or by and in the Name of any One or more of the Directors of such last-mentioned Company, at the Option of the Party or Parties prosecuting such Information, or of such Person or Persons, against the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, their Successors or Assigns, before any Justice of the Peace for the County of *Surrey* or *Kent*, as the Case may be, with Costs, to be assessed by such Justice, and to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, their Successors or Assigns, together with the Charges of such Distress and Sale, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of such Justice, which Warrant such Justice is hereby empowered to grant; and such Penalty or Penalties and Costs, when so levied, shall be paid to such Company of Proprietors for the Use of the said Company, or to such Person or Persons, as the Case may be.

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taining if the  
Water is con-  
taminated.

LXI. And whereas it may be or become a Question upon such Complaint as aforesaid, whether the said Water be contaminated or affected by the Gas of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company; be it therefore enacted, That in every such Case it shall be lawful for such Company of Proprietors for the supplying of Water, to dig to and about, and search and examine the Mains, Pipes, Conduits, and Apparatus of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, for the Purpose of ascertaining whether such Contamination proceed or be occasioned by the Gas of the said Company, and if it shall appear that the said Water has been contaminated by any Escape of Gas of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, the Costs and Expenses of the said Digging, Search, and Examination, and Repair of the Pavement of the Street or Streets which shall be taken up or disturbed, shall be borne and paid by the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company; which Costs and Expenses shall be ascertained and determined, if necessary, by such Justice as aforesaid, and be recovered in like Manner as any Penalty may be recovered by virtue of this Act: Provided always, that if upon such Examination it shall appear that such Contamination has not arisen from any such Escape of Gas from any of the Mains, Pipes, or Conduits of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company, then and in such Case such Company of Proprietors for the supplying of Water shall bear and pay all the Costs and Expenses of such Examination, Repair, and Search, and shall also make good to the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company any Loss, Injury, or Damage which may be occasioned to the said Mains, Pipes, Conduits, or Apparatus of the said *Phœnix* Gaslight and Coke Company in and by such Search and Examination, and also to the Pavement of the said Streets so broken or disturbed in such Search or Examination, the Amount of such Injury, Loss, or Damage to be ascertained and determined, if necessary, by such Justice or Justices of the Peace as aforesaid.

Power to  
convey  
Washings.

LXII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Company, with the Consent of the Commissioners, Trustees, or other Persons having the Control, Superintendence, or Property of or in the Ground, Stones, Soil, or Pavement, to make such Sewers and Cuts, of such Breadth, Depth, and Dimensions, and in such Manner as they shall

shall think expedient, under the public Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, and other public Passages and Places, for the Purpose of carrying off the Washings or other waste Liquids which may arise in the Prosecution of the Works aforesaid, the said Company doing as little Damage as may be in making the said Sewers or Cuts, and immediately repairing at their own Expense all such Damage; but it shall not be lawful for the said Company, or any of their Servants, Officers, or Workmen, to carry or convey, or cause to be carried or conveyed, to or into any River or Brook any Washings or Liquids, or any Lime or other Ingredient, Matter, or Thing which shall arise or be produced in manufacturing or producing the said Gas, or in or by the Prosecution of any of the Works aforesaid.

LXIII. And be it further enacted, That if the said Company of Proprietors shall at any Time empty, drain, or convey, or cause or suffer to be emptied, drained, or conveyed, or to run or flow, any Washings or other waste Liquids, Substances, or Things whatsoever which shall arise or be produced in the Prosecution of the said Gasworks, or in the Manufacture or Process of making or procuring such Gas, into any River, Brook, or running Stream, Reservoir, Canal, Aqueduct, Feeder, Pond, Spring Head or Well, or into any Drain, Sewer, or Ditch communicating therewith, or do or cause to be done any Annoyance, Act, or Thing to the Water contained in any such River, Brook, or running Stream, Reservoir, Canal, Aqueduct, Waterway, Feeder, Pond, or Spring Head, Well, Drain, Sewer, or Ditch, whereby the said Water or any Part thereof shall or may be soiled, fouled, or corrupted, then and in every such Case the said Company of Proprietors so offending shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence the Sum of Two hundred Pounds; and such Penalty or Forfeiture shall and may be sued for and recovered, together with full Costs of Suit, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt or on the Case, or by Bill, Plaint, Suit, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed, and the whole thereof shall be paid to the Person or Persons who shall inform or sue for the same: Provided always, that no Penalty or Forfeiture shall be recoverable unless the same be sued for within Twelve Calendar Months from the Time that such Annoyance, Nuisance, Injury, Damage, Act, or Thing shall have ceased and determined; provided also, that over and above and in addition to the said Penalty of Two hundred Pounds, (and whether such Penalty shall have been sued for or recovered or not,) in case any of the said Washings or other waste Liquids, or noisome or offensive Liquids, Substances, or Things shall be emptied, drained, conducted, or conveyed, or caused or suffered to run or flow in manner aforesaid into any River, Brook, or running Stream, or any Reservoir, Canal, Aqueduct, Waterway, Feeder, Pond, Spring Head or Well, or into any Drain, Sewer, or Ditch communicating therewith, or any such Annoyance, Act, or Thing shall be done or caused to be done as aforesaid, and Notice thereof in Writing shall have been given by any Person or Persons to whom the same shall belong, or by any other Person or Persons whomsoever, to the said Company of Proprietors, and the said Company of Proprietors shall not, within Twenty-four Hours after such Notice shall have been given to them or him as aforesaid, stop, hinder, or prevent all and every such

Penalty for conveying Washings into any River, &c.

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Washings, waste Liquids, or noisome or offensive Liquids, Substances, or Things from being emptied, drained, conducted, or conveyed, or from running or flowing in manner aforesaid, and every such other Annoyance, Nuisance, Injury, Damage, Act, or Thing from being done as aforesaid; then and in every such Case the said Company of Proprietors shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Twenty Pounds for each and every Day such Washings, waste Liquids, Substances, or Things shall be so drained, conducted, or conveyed, or caused or suffered to run or flow in manner aforesaid, or such other Annoyance, Act, or Thing shall be so done or caused to be done as aforesaid; and such last-mentioned Penalty shall and may be recovered and levied in such and the like Manner as any other Penalty or Forfeiture is in and by this Act directed to be recovered and levied, and shall be paid to the Informer, or to the Person or Persons who in the Judgment of the Justice or Justices before whom the Conviction shall take place shall have sustained any Annoyance, Injury, or Damage by any Act so done or committed.

Gas to be supplied cheaper than Oil.

LXIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Company shall and they are hereby directed and required to supply the public Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, and other public Passages and Places with Gas of such Quality as shall at all Times afford a cheaper and better Light than could be obtained from Oil Lamps; and whenever the said Company shall fail so to do, the Power and Authority hereby given to the said Company further to break up the Soil or Pavement of any such Road, Street, Way, Lane, or other public Passage or Place within the Limits of this Act, where such Lamps shall be situated, shall from thenceforth, during such Refusal, cease and determine; and every Contract or Agreement which shall be entered into for lighting with Gas such public Lamps by the said Company shall contain a Clause or Covenant providing that it shall be obligatory on the said Company that such public Lamps shall at all Times be better and cheaper lighted by the said Company than could be done by Oil Lamps.

Service Pipes to be kept fully charged with Gas.

LXV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Branch or Service Pipes which shall be put up by the said Company for lighting the Roads, Streets, Ways, Lanes, and other public Passages and Places, under any Contract or Agreement with the said Commissioners or other Persons thereunto authorised, shall be kept fully charged with Gas, and the Stopcocks shall be so turned as not to impede or prevent the said Branch or Service Pipes being completely filled with Gas during the Time the same shall be lighted.

Remedy for Recovery of Rents.

LXVI. And be it further enacted, That in case any Body or Bodies, Commissioners, Trustees, or any other Person or Persons who shall contract with the said Company, or agree to take, or shall use or enjoy the Benefit of the said Gas, either in their private Dwellings, Shops, Inns, Taverns, or other Buildings or Manufactories, Grounds, or Premises, or otherwise, shall refuse or neglect, for the Space of Seven Days after Demand, to pay the Sum or Sums of Money then due for the same to the said Company, according to the Terms and Stipulations with the said Company, it shall be lawful for the said Company, or their Clerk or Superintendent, or any Person or Persons acting by or under their Authority, by

by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of any One of the Justices of the Peace for the County wherein the Offence shall arise (which Warrant such Justice is hereby empowered to grant, upon Confession or upon Proof of such Demand by the Oath of One credible Witness) to levy the said Sum or Sums of Money in respect whereof such Refusal or Neglect shall happen, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons so neglecting or refusing to pay the same, rendering the Overplus (if any) to such Person or Persons refusing or neglecting, after the necessary Charges of making such Distress and Sale shall be first deducted: Provided always, that if at the Time of such Distress being made any Rent shall be then due and in arrear to the Landlord of the Premises in which such Goods and Chattels shall be distrained, or any Part thereof, such Landlord shall have and be entitled to receive such or so much of the said Rent in arrear as the said Landlord would be legally entitled to receive in the Case of an Execution issued and levied under any Judgment entered up against the Tenant or Tenants, Occupier or Occupiers of the said Premises, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*.

LXVII. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures for all and every the Offences in this Act mentioned, in relation to which the Manner of convicting the Offenders is not particularly mentioned or directed, shall be adjudged by and be recovered before any Justice of the Peace for the County wherein the Offence shall arise, in a summary Way, upon Information and by the Oath of any Person or Persons, or on the Confession of the Party offending (which Oath such Justice is hereby authorised to administer); and in default of Payment of such Penalties or Forfeitures, the same shall be levied by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of such Justice; and one Moiety of the Penalties and Forfeitures, when recovered, after rendering the Overplus (if any) on Demand to the Party or Parties whose Goods and Chattels shall be so distrained (the reasonable Charges for such Distress and Sale being first deducted), shall be paid to the Informer, and the other Moiety thereof shall be paid to the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish wherein such Offence shall be committed, to be by them applied towards the Relief of the Poor of such Parish; and in case such sufficient Distress cannot be found, and such Penalties and Forfeitures shall not be forthwith paid upon the Conviction, then it shall be lawful for such Justice to order the Offender or Offenders so convicted to be detained in safe Custody until Return can be conveniently made to such Warrant or Warrants of Distress, unless the said Offender or Offenders shall give sufficient Security, to the Satisfaction of such Justice, for his or their Appearance before him on such Day or Days as shall be appointed for the Return of such Warrant or Warrants of Distress, such Day or Days not being more than Ten Days from the Time of taking any such Security, and which Security the said Justice is hereby empowered to take by way of Recognizance or otherwise; but if upon the Return of such Warrant or Warrants it shall appear that no such sufficient Distress can be had thereupon, or in case it shall appear to the Satisfaction of such Justice, either by the Confession of the Offender or Offenders or otherwise, that he, she, or they hath or have not sufficient Goods and Chattels whereon such Penalties, Forfeitures, Fines, and Charges can be levied, if a Warrant of Distress were issued, such Justice shall not be required to  
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issue such Warrant of Distress, and thereupon it shall be lawful for any such Justice of the Peace, and he is hereby authorised and required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal to commit such Offender or Offenders to the Common Gaol or House of Correction for the County wherein such Offence shall arise, for any Time not exceeding Six Calendar Months.

Form of  
Conviction.

LXVIII. And for the more easy Conviction of Offenders against this Act, be it further enacted, That a Conviction in the Form or to the Effect following shall be good, without alleging more than the Substance of the Offence; (that is to say,)

‘ to wit. } **BE** it remembered, That on the \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_  
 ‘ in the Year of our Lord \_\_\_\_\_ is  
 ‘ [or are] convicted before me, [or as the Case may be]  
 ‘ of His Majesty’s Justices of the Peace for the County of \_\_\_\_\_  
 ‘ by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His  
 ‘ Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled [here set forth the Title of this  
 ‘ Act,] of having [specifying the Offence, and the Time and Place when and  
 ‘ where the same was committed, as the Case may be], contrary to the said  
 ‘ Act; and for which Offence I [or we, as the Case shall be] do adjudge  
 ‘ the said \_\_\_\_\_ to have forfeited the Sum of \_\_\_\_\_  
 ‘ Given under my Hand and Seal [or, as the Case shall be, our Hands  
 ‘ and Seals,] the Day and Year first above written.’

Appeal to be  
made to the  
Quarter Ses-  
sions.

LXIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That any Body or Bodies Corporate or Collegiate, or any Person or Persons whomsoever, thinking himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Rule, Order, or Byelaw to be made by virtue of this Act, or any Alteration thereof, or by the Order or Determination of any Justice or Justices of the Peace in pursuance of this Act, may appeal to the Justices of the Peace at their next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the County wherein the Offence shall arise (the Person or Persons appealing having first given at least Ten Days Notice in Writing of such Appeal, and the Nature and Matter thereof, to the Person or Persons appealed against; and forthwith after such Notice entering into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace for such County, with Two sufficient Sureties conditioned to try such Appeal and to abide the Order and Award of the said Court thereon); and the said Justices, upon due Proof of such Notice and Recognizance having been given and entered into, shall in a summary Way hear and determine such Complaint at such General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, or, if they think proper, may adjourn the Hearing thereof to the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the said County, and if they see Cause, may mitigate any Forfeiture or Fine, and may order any Money to be returned which shall have been levied in pursuance of such Order, Rule, Byelaw, or Determination, and shall and may also award such further Satisfaction to be made to the Party injured, or such Costs to either of the Parties, as they shall judge reasonable and proper; and all such Determinations of the said Justices at such General or Quarter Sessions shall be binding, final, and conclusive upon all Parties to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

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LXX. And be it further enacted, That no Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, shall be subject or liable to the Payment of  
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any of the Penalties or Forfeitures inflicted by virtue of this Act, for any Offence or Offences against this Act, unless Information respecting such Offence or Offences shall have been lodged before some Justice of the Peace within Six Calendar Months next after such Offence committed (save and except as herein is excepted). Six Calendar Months.

LXXI. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases wherein it may be requisite or necessary for any Person or Persons, or Party or Parties, to serve any Notice or Notices upon the said Company, or any Writ or Writs, or other legal Proceedings, the Service thereof upon the Clerk of the said Company, or at any of the Offices of the said Company, or left at the last or usual Place of Abode of the Clerk to the said Company, and in case the Residence of the said Clerk be not known, then Service upon any Agent or other Officer employed by the said Company, or upon any Member of the said Directors, or left at his last or usual Place of Abode, shall be deemed good and sufficient Service of the same respectively on the said Company. Directing what shall be deemed a Service of Notices, &c. on the Company.

LXXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Order, Judgment, Conviction, or other Proceedings to be had, made, or taken in pursuance of this Act, shall be quashed or vacated for Want of Form, or be removed by Certiorari, or any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster* or elsewhere; any Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding. Proceedings not to be quashed for Want of Form.

LXXIII. And be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to prevent any Person or Persons from proceeding against the said Company, or against any of their Officers, Servants, or Workmen, in respect of any Works of the said Company, or the Method which shall be employed by them for furnishing such Light as aforesaid, as a public or private Nuisance, or from bringing any Action against the said Company, or any of their Officers, Servants, or Workmen, for any Injury sustained by reason of any such Works, or Method of lighting, whether such Injury shall proceed from the Nature of such Method of lighting, or the Carelessness or Want of Skill of the Persons employed thereon. Nothing in this Act to prevent the Company from being indicted for a Nuisance.

LXXIV. And be it further enacted, That all the Costs, Charges, and Expenses attending the applying for, obtaining, and passing this Act shall be paid and discharged out of the Monies to be subscribed by virtue of this Act. For paying the Expenses of this Act.

LXXV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to affect or alter the Powers contained in an Act passed in the First and Second Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for incorporating the South London Gaslight and Coke Company, situate in the Parish of Saint Saviour in the County of Surrey*, or to enable the said *Phaenix Gaslight and Coke Company* to lay or cause to be laid any Main or Mains, or Service Pipe or Pipes in, or to light any of the Houses, Shops, Streets, Parts, or Places from the South End of *London Bridge*, along the *Borough High Street* and *Newington Causeway* to the *Elephant and Castle*, Company not to light certain Places without Consent of the South London Gas Company. 1&2G.4.c.51.  
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and from thence along the *London Road* to the *Obelisk Saint George's Fields*, and from thence along the main Road to *Westminster Bridge*, or in any of the intermediate Streets, Highways, Lanes, or Passages, Manufactories, Shops, Warehouses, or private Houses, Public Houses, and Places of public Exhibition, between or within those Lines and the *River Thames*, or the Houses bounding any of those Lines, without the Consent of the Committee of Management of the South *London Gaslight and Coke Company* in Writing for that Purpose first had and obtained; and if the said *Phoenix Gaslight and Coke Company*, their Successors or Assigns, or any of their Servants, Agents, or Workmen, or any other Person or Persons employed by or acting for them, shall offend herein, the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, and each and every Person so offending, shall forfeit and pay to the South *London Gaslight and Coke Company* the Sum of Five Shillings for each and every Cubit Foot of Gas so supplied, and the Sum of Twenty Shillings for each and every Lamp or other Light so lighted, for each and every Hour in which the same shall be so lighted; and such several Penalties shall be recoverable in a summary Way before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the County of *Surrey*, on the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, and shall and may be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons so offending, or of the said *Phoenix Gaslight and Coke Company*, at the Discretion of the said South *London Gaslight and Coke Company*, by the Warrant of any such Justice or Justices as aforesaid, to be granted in like Manner, and subject to the like Provisions, and to be recovered in like Manner as is herein provided touching any other Penalty or Penalties directed and imposed by this Act; or each and every such Forfeiture and Penalty, if amounting to or exceeding the Sum of Twenty Pounds, shall be recoverable and may be recovered by the said South *London Gaslight and Coke Company*, their Successors and Assigns, by Action of Debt or on the Case, with full Costs of Suit, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, or by Bill, Suit, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlanee shall be allowed.

Saving the Rights of the Trustees for lighting Camberwell and Peckham.

54G.3.c.213.

LXXVI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to defeat, abridge, alter, obstruct, or in any Manner interfere with the Powers and Authorities of the Trustees nominated and appointed in or by virtue of, or to be nominated and appointed under or by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifty-fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George the Third*, intituled *An Act for lighting and watching certain Parts of the Liberties, Hamlets, or Districts of Camberwell and Peckham in the Parish of Saint Giles Camberwell in the County of Surrey*.

This Act not to interfere with Surrey new Roads.

3 G. 4. c.112.

LXXVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall take away, obstruct, lessen, interfere with, or prejudice the Rights, Powers, Authorities, and Provisions granted or made by or under an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King *George the Fourth*, intituled *An Act for more effectually amending certain Roads in the several Parishes of Lambeth, Newington, Saint George Southwark, Bermondsey, and Christ Church in the County of Surrey, and for watching, lighting, and otherwise improving the said*

*said Roads*; but that all and every the Rights, Powers, Authorities, and Provisions of or under the said last-mentioned Act shall remain, continue, and be in full Force and Effect to all Intents and Purposes as if this Act had not been made.

LXXVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall take away, obstruct, lessen, interfere with, or prejudice the Rights, Powers, Authorities, and Provisions granted or made by or under an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for more effectually repairing, amending, and improving certain Roads in the several Parishes of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey and Saint Mary at Rotherhithe in the County of Surrey, and Saint Paul Deptford and Saint Nicholas Deptford in the County of Kent*; and of another Act made and passed in the said Fourth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for repairing, maintaining, and improving the Highways and other public Places in the Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey in the County of Surrey*; but that all and every the Rights, Powers, Authorities, and Provisions of or under the said last-mentioned Acts, and each of them, shall remain, continue, and be in full Force and Effect to all Intents and Purposes as if this Act had not been made.

Saving the Rights of Trustees of Bermondsey Roads.  
4 G. 4. c. 84.

4 G. 4. c. 91.

LXXIX. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to infringe upon, alter, prejudice, diminish, or take away any of the Rights, Powers, or Authorities in or of the Commissioners of Sewers for the Limits extending from *East Mouldsey* in the County of *Surrey*, to *Ravensborne* in the County of *Kent*, but that all such Rights, Powers, and Authorities shall be as good, valid, and effectual as if this Act had not been made.

Saving the Rights of the Commissioners of Sewers for Surrey and Kent.

LXXX. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to give to or invest the said Company, or any other Person or Persons whomsoever, with any Right, Power, or Authority which may at all interfere with the Jurisdictions, Rights, Powers, Authorities, or Provisions heretofore granted by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for paving the Streets and Lanes within the Town and Borough of Southwark, and certain Parts adjacent, in the County of Surrey, and for cleansing, lighting, and watching the same, and also the Courts, Yards, Alleys, and Passages adjoining thereto, and for preventing Annoyances therein*; and by an Act passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act to explain and amend so much of an Act of the Sixth Year of His present Majesty for paving the Town and Borough of Southwark in the County of Surrey as relate to the Commissioners of Sewers, and for regulating the Manner of taxing Churches and other public Buildings within the Limits of the said Act*; and also by another Act passed in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act for enabling the Commissioners for putting into execution an Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for paving the Streets and Lanes within the Town and Borough of Southwark, and certain Parts adjacent,*

Act not to affect the Powers of Commissioners of Pavements of Southwark.  
6 G. 3. c. 24.

11 G. 3. c. 17.

28 G. 3. c. 68.

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*in the County of Surrey, and for cleansing, lighting, and watching the same, and also the Courts, Yards, Alleys, and Passages adjoining thereto, and for preventing Annoyances therein; to open, widen, and better regulate the several Streets, Lanes, and Passages within the East Division in the said Act described; and also by an Act passed in the Fifty-seventh*  
 57 G, 3. c. 29. *Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act for better paving, improving, and regulating the Streets of the Metropolis, and removing and preventing Nuisances and Obstructions therein; but all the Rights, Powers, and Authorities vested in the Commissioners for carrying the said several Acts respectively into execution shall be as good, valid, and effectual as if this Act had not been made.*

General  
Saving.

LXXXI. Saving always to the King's most Excellent Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, their respective Rights, Privileges, and Franchises in such and the same Manner as if this Act had not been made; and nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to interfere with, alter, lessen, or in any Manner affect the Rights, Powers, and Authorities heretofore given or granted to or vested in any Commissioners, Trustees, Bodies Politic or Corporate, or other Persons having the Superintendence, Control, or Management of any Street, Road, Highway, Bridge, or public Place, or of any Pavement, Ground, or Soil, or of or in any Street, Road, Highway, Bridge, or public Place.

Public Act.

LXXXII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others without being specially pleaded.

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