

CHAPTER xxii.

An Act to confer further powers on and to change A.D. 1933. the name of the Company of Proprietors of the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Navigation and for other purposes.

[28th June 1933.]

WHEREAS by the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Acts 1766 to 1924 the Company of Proprietors of the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Navigation (hereinafter referred to as "the Company") were incorporated and authorised to construct and maintain a canal in the counties of Worcester and Stafford to connect the river Severn with the Trent and Mersey Canal and to exercise other powers:

And whereas the issued capital of the Company now consists of—

- £210,000 stock being the stock into which the former shares of the Company were consolidated and converted in pursuance of the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Act 1875; and
- £80,115 debenture stock being the amount now outstanding of the sum of £204,000 debenture stock created and issued by the Company under section 9 of the said Act of 1875 in substitution for the then existing mortgages granted by the Company under the provisions of their former Acts:

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And whereas the Company are empowered by the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Act 1903 to create and issue (subject to the provisions of that Act) further debenture stock to any amount not exceeding £30,000 and ranking as to priority and interest subsequent to the debenture stock created and issued under the powers of the said Act of 1875 but no debenture stock has been created and issued under this power:

And whereas the tolls and charges leviable by the Company in respect of merchandise traffic on the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal are prescribed by the Canal Tolls and Charges No. 3 (Aberdare &c. Canals) Order 1894 confirmed by the Canal Tolls and Charges No. 3 (Aberdare &c. Canals) Order Confirmation Act 1894:

And whereas by the said Act of 1903 the canal known as the Hatherton Branch Canal in the county of Stafford and the reservoir locks and other works connected therewith were constituted part of the Company's undertaking and the provisions of the said confirmation Act of 1894 were so far as applicable extended and applied to the Hatherton Canal as if it had formed part of the Company's undertaking:

And whereas by directions given by the Minister of Transport under section 3 of the Ministry of Transport Act 1919 and dated the 1st September 1920 the Company were empowered during the period mentioned in that section to charge in respect of their undertaking the tolls dues and charges specified in the directions viz. the tolls dues and charges in operation on the 31st July 1920 with an addition thereto of one hundred and fifty per centum:

And whereas by the Canals (Continuance of Charging Powers) Acts 1922 and 1924 and certain Expiring Laws Acts and finally by the Expiring Laws Act 1931 the increased tolls dues and charges authorised by the said directions have been from time to time continued in force and will expire on the 31st December 1934 unless further continued by Parliament:

And whereas it is expedient that provision be made as in this Act contained with reference to the tolls and charges to be leviable hereafter by the Company:

[23 & 24 Geo. 5.] Staffordshire and [Ch. xxii.] Worcestershire Canal Act, 1933.

And whereas it is expedient to confer further powers A.D. 1933. on the Company as by this Act provided to change their name and to enact the other provisions of this Act:

And whereas the purposes of this Act cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

May it therefore please your Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted by the 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 as follows:—

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Staffordshire Short and and Worcestershire Canal Act 1933.

collective titles.

- (2) The Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Acts 1766 to 1924 and this Act may be cited together as the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Acts 1766 to 1933.
- 2. In this Act unless the context otherwise re- Interpretation. quires—
 - "The Company" means the Company of Proprietors of the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Navigation;
 - "The Act of 1766" means the Act 6 Geo. III c. 97;
 - "The Act of 1770" means the Act 10 Geo. III c. 103;
 - "The Act of 1790" means the Act 30 Geo. III c. 75;
 - "The Act of 1843" means the Act 6 Vict. c. v;
 - "The Act of 1875" "the Act of 1903" and "the Act of 1924" respectively mean the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Acts of those respective years;
 - "The Charges Order" means the Canal Tolls and Charges No. 3 (Aberdare &c. Canals) Order 1894;
 - "The existing Acts" means the Act of 1766 the Act of 1770 the Act of 1790 the Act of 1843 the Act of 1875 the Act of 1903 the Act of 1924 and the Charges Order;
 - "The committee" means the committee for managing the affairs of the Company from time to time appointed under this Act;

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- "Stock" means the stock into which the former shares of the Company were consolidated and converted in pursuance of the Act of 1875 or if the context so requires part of that stock;
- "Stockholder" means a person registered in the books of the Company as a holder of stock;
- "Boat" includes barge tug vessel and other craft of any description however propelled or moved;
- "The appointed day" means the first day of January nineteen hundred and thirty-four;
- "Authorised tolls" means the tolls and charges which the Company are for the time being authorised to levy in pursuance of this Act;
- "Authorised toll" means any toll or charge which the Company are so authorised to levy;
- "The canal" means the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal and includes the Hatherton Branch Canal which was constituted part of the undertaking of the Company by the Act of 1903;
- "The undertaking" means the undertaking of the Company for the time being authorised;
- "The Minister" means the Minister of Transport.

Change of name.

3. As from the passing of this Act the name of the Company shall be "the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Company" and for this purpose Part IV (Change of name) of the Companies Clauses Act 1863 shall be incorporated with and form part of this Act.

Tolls and charges.

- 4.—(1) On and after the appointed day the Charges Order so far as it relates to the canal shall (subject to the provisions of the next succeeding section of this Act) have effect as if—
 - (a) the maximum tolls and wharfage charges specified in the First Schedule to this Act were substituted for the maximum tolls and wharfage charges specified in Part I of so much of Table A in the schedule to the Charges Order as relates to the canal;
 - (b) in special section (i) (Minimum toll per boat and toll for empty boat) of so much of the schedule to the Charges Order as relates to the canal the sum of six shillings and the sum of seven

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shillings and threepence were respectively substituted for the sum of three shillings and the sum of four shillings and sixpence respectively in each place where the two last-mentioned sums are respectively mentioned; and

- (c) in special section (iii) (Toll for locks at Stourport) of so much of the Charges Order as relates to the canal the words "two pence" were substituted for the words "one penny."
- (2) All references in the Act of 1766 the Act of 1770 the Act of 1790 and the Act of 1843 to any rates duties tolls or other charges authorised to be demanded or levied by the Company shall (so far as not inconsistent with this Act) be construed as referring to the authorised tolls as defined in section 2 (Interpretation) of this Act.
- 5.—(1) If at any time after the expiration of one Revision of year from the appointed day it is represented by tolls and application in writing to the Minister—

- (a) by any chamber of commerce or shipping or any representative body of traders or any person who is in the opinion of the Minister a proper person for the purpose; or
- (b) by the Company;

that in the circumstances then existing the authorised tolls or any of them should be revised the Minister may (if he thinks fit) subject to the provisions of this section make an order revising the authorised tolls referred to in the application or any of them and may fix the date as from which such order shall take effect and thenceforth such order shall remain in force until it expires or is revoked or modified by a further order of the Minister made in pursuance of this section. Provided that before making an order under this section the Minister shall cause an inquiry to be held with reference thereto in pursuance of the Board of Trade Arbitrations &c. Act 1874 as applied by this section.

- (2) The provisions of Part I of the Board of Trade Arbitrations &c. Act 1874 shall apply for the purposes of this section as if—
 - (a) The Minister were referred to therein in lieu of the Board of Trade;

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- (b) the person or persons duly authorised to hold any inquiry thereunder were the rates advisory committee constituted under the Ministry of Transport Act 1919 or any sub-committee thereof to which the said advisory committee may under section 2 of the Harbours Docks and Piers (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act 1920 have delegated their powers or if the said advisory committee ceases to exist some persons with similar qualifications to be appointed for the purpose by an order of the Minister under section 2 of the said Act of 1874; and
- (c) in section 4 of the said Act of 1874 the words "under the seal of the Minister of Transport" were substituted for the words "by writing "under the hand of the President or of one of "the secretaries of the Board."
- (3) An application made to the Minister under this section shall be accompanied by such information and particulars as the Minister may consider relevant certified in such manner as he may require and the Minister and the body or persons holding an inquiry for the purposes of this section may call for such documents and accounts as they may consider relevant and may hear such witnesses as they shall think fit and shall have power to take evidence on oath and for that purpose may administer oaths.
- (4) Where upon an application for revision of the authorised tolls or an authorised toll an order has been made or the Minister has decided not to make an order no further application for a revision of the tolls or toll to which the application related shall be made within twelve months from the date of such order or decision.

Removal of boats sunk abandoned or liable to sink.

- 6.—(1) Whenever a boat is sunk stranded or abandoned in the canal the Company may cause the boat to be raised and removed or in the case of a boat which it is not reasonably practicable to remove to be destroyed in such manner as to clear the canal therefrom.
- (2) The Company may at any time prohibit the use or employment in or on the canal or any part thereof of any boat which may be liable to sink or to obstruct the navigation or use of the canal and may remove any such boat from the canal If any such boat is so old

or damaged or in such a situation or condition that it is A.D. 1933. not reasonably practicable to remove the boat as a whole the Company may break up the boat with a view to and for the purpose of removal.

- (3) The Company may detain and keep any boat raised and removed under subsection (1) or removed under subsection (2) of this section and also the furniture tackle and apparel of and the cargo goods chattels and effects in such boat or in any boat broken up under subsection (2) of this section until payment be made of all expenses incurred by the Company of or connected with the raising removal and detention or breaking-up of the boat.
- (4) All expenses referred to in subsection (3) of this section and in the case of a boat to which subsection (1) applies all expenses incurred by the Company in raising or saving any furniture tackle and apparel of the boat and any cargo goods chattels and effects raised or saved from the boat may be recovered by the Company from the owner of the boat either summarily as a civil debt or as a debt in any court of competent jurisdiction Provided that the Company may if they think fit and shall if so required by the owner of the boat cause any boat raised or removed under subsection (1) or removed under subsection (2) of this section and any such furniture tackle apparel cargo goods chattels and effects as aforesaid or any part of the same respectively to be sold in such manner as they think fit and out of the proceeds of the sale may after paying any duties of customs or excise which shall be payable in respect of the said cargo goods chattels and effects reimburse themselves for any such expenses as aforesaid and shall hold the surplus (if any) of those proceeds in trust for the persons entitled thereto and if such proceeds shall be insufficient to reimburse the Company such expenses the deficiency may be recovered by the Company in manner aforesaid.
- (5) The Company shall (except in emergency) before raising or destroying any boat under subsection (1) or removing from the canal or breaking up any boat under subsection (2) of this section give to the owner of the boat twenty-four hours' previous notice of their intention so to do and the owner shall on giving twelve hours' previous notice to the Company before or immediately after the expiry of such first-mentioned notice be at

- A.D. 1933. liberty forthwith himself to raise and remove or to remove from the canal or to break up the boat.
 - (6) The Company shall (except in emergency or when required by the owner to sell) before selling under the provisions of this section any boat give to the owner of the boat seven days' previous notice of their intention to sell the boat.
 - (7) Any notice to be given by the Company to the owner of a boat under this section shall be given by posting a prepaid letter addressed to the owner at the place in the United Kingdom where he carries on business or at his last known place of abode in the United Kingdom or if the owner or his place of business or abode is not known by exhibiting the notice for the required period at their head office.
 - (8) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any boat belonging to His Majesty or for the time being employed by any department of His Majesty's Government.
 - (9) The powers conferred by this section on the Company shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any other powers exerciseable by them for and with respect to the removal of boats which are sunk stranded or abandoned in or are liable to sink or to obstruct the canal.

Power to provide boats means of haulage &c.

7.—(1) The Company may from time to time build purchase take on lease hire contract for or otherwise provide and may maintain and repair boats for the use of bye-traders and any other persons carrying or conveying merchandise traffic or trading on the canal or on any canal or navigation connected therewith or otherwise using the canal and may on any of their lands from time to time construct or otherwise provide and may maintain and repair cables and other works and apparatus for the haulage of boats and may by means of any boats works or apparatus so provided by them tow on the canal or any part thereof or with the consent of the owners thereof on any canal or navigation connected therewith any boats belonging to any such bye-traders or other persons as aforesaid Provided that any electrical cables and other works and apparatus constructed or provided under this section shall be so constructed used and maintained as to prevent any interference with any

telegraphic line (as defined by the Telegraph Act 1878) belonging to or used by the Postmaster-General or with telegraphic communication by means of any such line.

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- (2) The Company may also from time to time sell or otherwise dispose of or lease or let for hire any such boats to any such bye-trader or other person as aforesaid or lend money to any such bye-trader or other person for the purpose of the purchase hire or provision and maintenance of any boats by such bye-trader or other person on such terms and conditions as the Company may think fit.
- 8. Notwithstanding anything in the existing Acts Retention to the contrary the Company may retain hold and use for and dissuch time and for such purposes as they may think fit posal of or may sell lease exchange or otherwise dispose of in such manner and for such consideration as they may think fit and either in consideration of the execution of works or of the payment of a gross sum or of an annual rent or of any payment in any other form any lands or any interest in lands acquired or held by them under the existing Acts and may sell exchange or dispose of any rents reserved on the sale lease exchange or disposition of such lands or interests and may make do and execute any deed act or thing proper for effectuating any such sale lease exchange or other disposition and on any exchange may give or take any money for equality of exchange.

9.—(1) In addition to the obligation imposed on Power to the Company by section 9 (Power to Company to issue purchase debenture stock in respect of loans to Severn Com- debenture missioners) of the Act of 1875 to apply to the purchase or stock. missioners) of the Act of 1875 to apply to the purchase or redemption of their debenture stock any money received by the Company from the Severn Commissioners in or towards repayment of the sums advanced by the Company to those commissioners the Company may at any time and from time to time purchase by agreement any debenture stock issued under the Act of 1875 or the Act of 1903 and for that purpose may apply any money for the time being in their hands which they are entitled to apply to capital purposes and is not money so received from the said commissioners and also subject to the sanction of a resolution of a general meeting any other money or funds for the time being in their hands.

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- (2) Any debenture stock purchased under the provisions of subsection (1) of this section may at the option of the committee be retained by the Company and registered in the name of the Company or be at any time cancelled and extinguished Provided that any debenture stock so retained by and registered in the name of the Company shall not whilst so retained and registered have priority as respects principal or interest against the Company and the property from time to time of the Company liable thereto over any other claims on account of any debts incurred or engagements entered into by the Company.
- (3) If any debenture stock issued under the Act of 1875 is purchased by the Company under the provisions of this section and is thereafter cancelled and extinguished the Company shall not reissue that debenture stock or issue under the Act of 1875 any other debenture stock in lieu thereof.
- (4) If any debenture stock issued under the Act of 1903 is purchased by the Company under the provisions of this section and is thereafter cancelled and extinguished the Company may (subject to and in accordance with the provisions of section 4 (Power to create debenture stock) of the Act of 1903) reissue that debenture stock or issue other debenture stock in lieu thereof not exceeding the nominal amount of the debenture stock so cancelled and extinguished.
- (5) Nothing in this section shall affect the priority (as regards both principal and interest) conferred by paragraph (1) of the said section 4 of the Act of 1903 on the debenture stock created by the Company under the powers of the Act of 1875 over any debenture stock created under the powers of the Act of 1903.

Company may incur temporary loans.

- 10.—(1) The Company may for the purposes of or in connection with the undertaking borrow or raise money on temporary loans from bankers by means of overdrafts or otherwise Provided that the aggregate amount outstanding at any one time of the money so borrowed or raised shall not exceed ten thousand pounds.
- (2) The power conferred by this section shall be in addition to any power for the time being of the Company to borrow on mortgage or to raise money by the issue of debenture stock.

[Ch. xxii.] [23 & 24 Geo. 5.] Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Act, 1933.

11. The provisions of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 (as amended by subsequent Acts) with respect to—

The transfer or transmission of shares except of certain section 17;

The general meetings of the company and the exercise of the rights of voting of the share- Clauses holders except section 71;

The proceedings and liabilities of the directors; and

The powers of the directors and the powers of the company to be exercised only in general meeting;

are (subject to the provisions of the existing Acts and this Act and so far as not inconsistent with or varied by those provisions) hereby incorporated with and shall form part of this Act and shall (so far as applicable) apply to the Company and the committee Provided that for the purposes of such incorporation and application the provisions of the said Act of 1845 so incorporated with this Act shall have effect as if—

- (i) the words "share" and "shares" meant "stock" as defined in this Act;
- (ii) the word "shareholder" meant a holder of stock as so defined; and
- (iii) the term "the directors" meant "the committee" and the word "director" meant a member of the committee.

12.—(1) Notwithstanding the incorporation with General this Act of section 66 of the Companies Clauses Con- meetings. solidation Act 1845 or anything in the existing Acts or this Act the ordinary meetings of the Company shall (except as the Company may from time to time by a resolution of a general meeting otherwise determine) be held once only in each year in the month of March or in such other month as the Company may from time to time by a resolution of a general meeting determine and on such day and at such time as the committee may from time to time appoint.

(2) For the purposes of section 70 of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 as incorporated with this Act the prescribed number of stockholders entitled to require the committee to call an extraordinary meeting

Application to Company provisions of Companies Consolidation Act

- A.D. 1933. of the Company shall be twenty stockholders holding in the aggregate stock of not less than twenty thousand pounds (nominal amount).
 - (3) For the purposes of section 72 of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 as incorporated with this Act the prescribed quorum to constitute a general meeting of the Company (whether ordinary or extraordinary) shall be ten stockholders present either personally or by proxy and holding in the aggregate stock of not less than ten thousand pounds (nominal amount).
 - (4) All references in any unrepealed provisions of the existing Acts to a general assembly of the Company shall be construed as referring to a general meeting of the Company within the meaning of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845.

Voting rights.

13. For the purposes of section 75 of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 as incorporated with this Act the prescribed scale of voting at all general meetings of the Company shall be the scale mentioned in section 6 (Scale of voting) of the Act of 1875.

Committee of manage-ment.

- 14.—(1) The Company shall at each ordinary meeting held after the passing of this Act appoint not less than seven nor more than twelve stockholders having the qualification mentioned in section 8 (Qualification of members of committee) of the Act of 1875 to be a committee to manage the affairs of the Company in such manner as is directed by the existing Acts and this Act and as shall from time to time be ordered by any general meeting of the Company and shall determine what shall be the quorum to constitute a meeting of the committee.
- (2) (a) The committee chosen under section 30 (General assemblies for choosing a committee) of the Act of 1766 and holding office at the passing of this Act shall (notwithstanding the repeal of that section by this Act) continue in office until the ordinary meeting of the Company to be held in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-four and shall be deemed for the purpose of the Act to have been appointed in pursuance of this section.
- (b) Any committee appointed in pursuance of this section shall hold office until the next ordinary meeting of the Company after their appointment.

(3) All powers conferred by any unrepealed pro- A.D. 1933. visions of the existing Acts on the committee chosen under the said section 30 of the Act of 1766 shall be exerciseable by the committee duly appointed in pursuance of the provisions of this section and all references in any unrepealed provisions of the existing Acts to the committee chosen under the said section 30 (including the references in the Act of 1843 to the committee of the Company) shall be construed as references to the committee appointed in pursuance of this section.

(4) If a vacancy arises amongst the members of the committee by reason of the death resignation or disqualification of any such member or from any other cause the remaining members of the committee may if they think fit elect some person duly qualified to fill the vacancy and the person so elected shall continue in office until the next ordinary meeting of the Company but nothing in this subsection shall prevent the remaining members of the committee acting until such next ordinary meeting without filling any such vacancy.

- 15.—(1) The committee may close the register of Closing of transfers of stock for a period not exceeding fourteen transfer days previous to the payment of any dividend thereon books. and may close the register of transfers of debenture stock of the Company for a period not exceeding fourteen days previous to each date at which the interest thereon shall be payable and the committee may fix a day for the closing of any register which they are authorised to close under the provisions of this section Seven days' notice of the closing of any such register shall be given by advertisement in some newspaper published in the county of Stafford or the county of Worcester and circulating in those counties.
- (2) Any transfer of stock or debenture stock lodged for registration with the Company while the register of transfers relating to stock or debenture stock of the same class is so closed shall as between the Company and the person claiming under the transfer but not otherwise be considered as made subsequently to the payment of any such dividend or interest.
- 16.—(1) The committee may appoint a person to Secretary. be the secretary of the Company and from time to time remove any person so appointed and appoint another

- A.D. 1933. person in his place or in the place of any person holding office as secretary who may die resign or for any other reason cease to hold that office.
 - (2) The person holding office at the passing of this Act as clerk of the Company shall be deemed as from the passing of this Act to have been appointed the secretary of the Company under this section.
 - (3) The duties imposed by section 41 (Clerk to be appointed and his office) of the Act of 1766 as amended by this Act on the person holding office as clerk of the Company under that section shall be exerciseable and performed by the person from time to time holding office as secretary under this section and any reference in the existing Acts to the clerk appointed under the said section 41 shall be construed as a reference to the secretary from time to time holding office under this section.

Remuneration of secretary and auditors.

17. Notwithstanding the incorporation with this Act of section 91 of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 or anything in the existing Acts or this Act the committee may determine the remuneration of the secretary and of the auditors of the Company.

Interim dividends.

18. Notwithstanding anything in the existing Acts or this Act it shall be lawful for the committee to pay in any year an interim half yearly dividend out of the profits of the Company without the sanction or direction of a general meeting.

Application of funds.

19. The Company may from time to time apply towards any of the purposes of this Act to which capital is properly applicable any money which they have raised or may hereafter raise under the existing Acts and which may not be required for the purposes of those Acts and any other funds or capital money belonging to them.

Recovery of, 20. Save as otherwise by the existing Acts expressly penalties&c. provided all offences against the existing Acts or this Act and all penalties forfeitures costs and expenses imposed or recoverable under the existing Acts or this Act or any byelaw made in pursuance thereof may be prosecuted and recovered in a summary manner Provided that costs or expenses except such as are recover-

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able along with a penalty shall not be recovered as A.D. 1933. penalties but may be recovered summarily as civil debts.

21. Proceedings for the recovery of any demand Recovery of made under the authority of the existing Acts or this demands. Act or any enactment incorporated with any of those Acts (whether provision is or is not made for the recovery in any specified court or manner) may be taken in any county court having otherwise jurisdiction in the matter provided that the demand does not exceed the amount recoverable in that court in a personal action.

- 22.—(1) The sections of the existing Acts mentioned Repeal and in the Second Schedule to this Act so far as not already amendment. repealed are hereby repealed.
- (2) Section 41 (Clerk to be appointed and his office) of the Act of 1766 shall have effect as if—
 - The words from the beginning of the section to the word "who" where that word first occurs in the section were omitted therefrom and the words "The secretary" were inserted in lieu thereof;
 - The words "secretary or clerk" were substituted for the words "clerk or clerks" where those words first occur in the section; and
 - The words from "and whenever" to the end of the section were also omitted therefrom.
- (3) Section 65 (Proper places to be made for boats to turn and lie in for other boats to pass by) of the Act of 1766 shall have effect as if the words "or the major part of them under their hands and seals" were omitted therefrom.
- (4) Section 29 (New power to make byelaws) of the Act of 1843 shall have effect as if the words "or the major part thereof" were omitted therefrom in both places where those words occur.
- (5) Section 32 (A copy of proposed byelaws to be open to inspection) of the Act of 1843 shall have effect as if the words "any such application" meant the forwarding of any proposed byelaws to the Ministry of Transport under section 40 (Byelaws of canal companies) of the Railway and Canal Traffic Act 1888.
- (6) Section 33 (Publication of byelaws) and section 34 (Byelaws to be binding on parties) of the

- [Ch. xxii.] Staffordshire and [23 & 24 Geo. 5.] Worcestershire Canal Act, 1933.
- A.D. 1933. Act of 1843 shall have effect as if the words "when confirmed" in that section 33 and "when so confirmed" in that section 34 meant when the byelaws have come into force in pursuance of the said section 40 of the said Act of 1888.
- Costs of Act. 23. All costs charges and expenses of and incident to the preparing for obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company.

[23 & 24 Geo. 5.] Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Act, 1933. [Ch. xxii.]

The SCHEDULES referred to in the foregoing Act.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

MAXIMUM TOLLS AND WHARFAGE CHARGES.

In respect of	Maximum tolls.				
merchandise comprised in the undermentioned classes.	For the first 10 miles or any part of such distance.	For the next 10 miles or any part of such distance:	For the remainder of the distance.	Maximum wharfage charges.	
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SECOND SCHEDULE.

ENACTMENTS REPEALED.

Year of Act.	No. of Section.	Marginal Note.
1766	29	Subscribers to have a vote for every share by themselves or proxies.
	30 33	General assemblies for chusing a committee. General assemblies to consist of 300 shares Proprietors not meeting shall forfeit for each share 5s.

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1766	34	Power of general assemblies.
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	38	Shares may be disposed of.
	40	Form of the sale.
	46	Rates to be fixed by proprietors and to be equal throughout the whole navigation.
	86	If lands not used within a certain time to be reconveyed.
-	87	For ascertaining the consideration money and conveyance of the lands &c.
1770	11	Company may lower the tolls and raise them again.
•	12	Tolls not to be lessened but by consent of the major part of 21 commissioners after notice.
	13	Reduction to extend to the whole navigation.
	18	Proprietors may regulate price of small parcels under 120 pounds.
1843	24	The committee of the Company defined as being the committee of management acting under 6 G. 3 c. 97.
	31	Byelaws to be confirmed.
1875	7	Expression "300 shares" in 6 G. 3 c. 97 how to be construed.
1924	3	Number of members of committee.
	4	Annual general meeting of Company.
	5	Amendment of section 24 of Act of 1843.

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