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An Act for extending the Powers of *Price's Patent Candle Company* in relation to Letters Patent for Inventions applicable to their Undertaking.

[3d July 1851.]

WHEREAS by the Act of Parliament entitled "*Price's Patent Candle Company's Act, 1848*," a Company was incorporated as from the Twenty-ninth Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, by the Name of "*Price's Patent Candle Company*," and, amongst other things, the said Company was by the said Act empowered to purchase and work the Letters Patent in the said Act mentioned which had been granted to *George Fergusson Wilson*, One of the Managing Directors of the said Company, and to other Persons in respect of Inventions applicable to the Undertaking of the said Company, without incurring a Forfeiture of such Letters Patent by reason of the Conditions therein contained for the Avoidance thereof if the same or the Privileges thereby granted should become vested in or in trust for more than Twelve Persons or their Representatives at any One Time, dividing or entitled to divide the Benefits or Profits obtained by reason of the same Letters Patent, and other Powers, Privileges, and Immunities

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were also granted to the said Company in respect of the said Letters Patent, and otherwise for prosecuting their Undertaking: And whereas the said *George Fergusson Wilson*, in the course of his Superintendence as Managing Director as aforesaid of the working of the Factories of the said Company, hath invented Improvements on or valuable Adjuncts to the said Patent Inventions, or some of them, and hath obtained a Grant of the several Letters Patent in the Schedule hereto mentioned in respect of his last-mentioned Inventions: And whereas, having regard to the Relation of the said *George Fergusson Wilson* to the said Company as One of the Managing Directors thereof, it is fair and equitable that the said Company should have the sole and exclusive Benefit of his last-mentioned Inventions, and he is accordingly willing to assign to the said Company the said Letters Patent in the Schedule mentioned: And whereas, inasmuch as the Powers, Privileges, Authorities, and Immunities by the said recited Act given or granted in respect of Letters Patent for Inventions applicable to the Undertaking of the Company are limited to the Letters Patent in the said Act specifically mentioned, the said Company are unable to take any Assignment of the said Letters Patent in the said Schedule hereto mentioned, nor of any Letters Patent, not in the said recited Act specifically mentioned, which have been or may be granted to the present or future Managing Directors of the Company in respect of Improvements or Inventions applicable to their said Undertaking, without occasioning a Forfeiture of such Letters Patent or some of them, under the Conditions for the Avoidance thereof herein-before referred to: And whereas by reason of such Inability on the Part of the said Company their said Undertaking is carried on at less Advantage to themselves and the Public than it might be: For the Remedy of which Mischief and Inconvenience, may it please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority thereof,

Company enabled to become Assignees of Patents applicable to their Undertaking.

I. That the several Letters Patent mentioned in the Schedule hereto, and all or any other Letters Patent already or hereafter to be granted, conferring any exclusive Privilege of making, using, exercising, or vending, within any Part of Her Majesty's Dominions, any Invention or Inventions wholly or in part applicable to the Undertaking of the said Company or any Branch thereof, and in which *James Pillans Wilson* and *George Fergusson Wilson*, the present Managing Directors of the Company, or either of them, or any future Managing Directors or Managing Director of the Company who shall have been such for Three Calendar Months at least before the Date of such Letters Patent respectively, shall be Grantees or a Grantee,

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or some or One of the Grantees, and the whole Benefit of such Letters Patent respectively, and of the Privileges thereby conferred, and any Part, Share, Right, or Interest therein respectively, may lawfully be sold, assigned, transferred, granted, disposed of, or otherwise assured unto or in trust for or vested in the said Company or their Successors and Assigns, and that the said Company, and their Successors and Assigns, may accordingly purchase, acquire, have, take, deal with, and dispose of all or any of such Letters Patent, and the exclusive Privileges thereby conferred, or any Part, Share, Right, or Interest therein respectively, and make, use, exercise, and vend the Invention or Inventions in respect whereof such Letters Patent have been or may be granted, or any Part of such Invention or Inventions, without thereby occasioning any Forfeiture of such Letters Patent, or of any Privileges thereby conferred; and that the several Powers, Privileges, Authorities, Advantages, and Immunities in the said recited Act given and granted, or other the several Matters and Things in and by the said recited Act enacted as to or concerning the Letters Patent therein mentioned, shall extend and be applicable and in force to and concerning all and every the Letters Patent herein-before mentioned or referred to, as fully and effectually as if such Powers, Privileges, Authorities, and Immunities, Matters and Things, were herein expressly given, granted, or re-enacted in relation thereto respectively.

Powers of recited Act extended to this Act.

II. That the Common Seal of the said Company, without the Signature of Two Directors or Officers of the said Company, as required by the said recited Act, shall be sufficient to validate any Disclaimer or Memorandum of Alteration which may hereafter be made by the said Company, as to the Title or Specification of any Invention mentioned or comprised in any Letters Patent or Patent Privilege already or hereafter to be vested in the said Company, anything in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Seal of the Company alone to validate Disclaimers, &c.

III. And whereas it may be expedient for the Interests of the Public that the Powers by this and the recited Act conferred, so far as the same relate to the Sale, Transfer, or Assignment of any of the Letters Patent which by this Act may become vested in the said Company, and the Rights and Privileges by this and the recited Act conferred on the said Company to use, exercise, vend, and put in Practice, as Assignees or Transferees of such Letters Patent, the Inventions which are or may be the Subject thereof, should be subject to the Reconsideration and Revision of Parliament: Be it therefore enacted, That if it shall appear to the Lords of the Committee for Trade and Foreign Plantations, at the Expiration of Seven Years from the Ninth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, that such Powers, Rights, and Privileges should be submitted

Power to Board of Trade, at the Expiration of a certain Term, to require Powers of Act to be submitted to Parliament for Revision.

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to the Reconsideration and Revision of Parliament, then and in such Case the said Company shall and they are hereby required, on the Requisition of the said Lords of Committee, to submit the same to Parliament accordingly, in such Form and Manner as the said Lords of Committee shall direct; and if they shall fail so to do, or if Parliament shall not, by an Act to be then passed in that Behalf, continue the Existence of such Powers, Rights, and Privileges, subject to such Modifications as to them shall seem meet, then and in such Case, at the Expiration of the Period of Eight Years from the said Ninth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, the said Powers, Rights, and Privileges shall absolutely cease and determine.

Short Title.

IV. That in citing this Act in other Acts of Parliament, and Acts of the Legislative Council of the Island of *Ceylon*, and in legal and other Proceedings and Instruments, whether pending or executed in *Great Britain* or *Ireland* or in the Island of *Ceylon* or the Dependencies thereof, it shall be sufficient to describe it as "*Price's Patent Candle Company's Amendment Act, 1851.*"

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The SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Act.

Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, bearing Date at Westminster on or about the Twenty-fifth Day of January in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, conferring upon George Fergusson Wilson, and his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the exclusive Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention of "Improvements in treating" and manufacturing certain fatty or oily Matters, and in the Manufacture of Candles and Night Lights," in England, Wales, and Berwick-upon-Tweed, and in Her said Majesty's Colonies and Channel Islands, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent.

Also certain other Letters Patent under the said Great Seal, bearing Date at Westminster on or about the Twenty-eighth Day of February in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, conferring upon the said George Fergusson Wilson, and his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the exclusive Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention of "Improvements in separating" the more liquid Parts from the more solid Parts of fatty and oily Matters, and in separating fatty and oily Matters from foreign Matters," in England, Wales, and Berwick-upon-Tweed, and in Her said Majesty's Colonies and Channel Islands, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent.

Also certain other Letters Patent under the said Great Seal, bearing Date at Westminster on or about the Fourteenth Day of March in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, conferring upon the said George Fergusson Wilson, and his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the exclusive Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention of "Improvements in the" Manufacture of Candles and Night Lights," in England, Wales, and Berwick-upon-Tweed, and in Her said Majesty's Colonies and Channel Islands, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent.

Also certain Letters Patent under the Seal ordained by the Treaty of the Union to be used in Scotland instead of the Great Seal thereof, sealed at Edinburgh on or about the Third Day of February One thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, conferring upon the said George Fergusson Wilson, and his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the exclusive Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending

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vending his Invention of "Improvements in treating and manufacturing certain fatty or oily Matters, and in the Manufacture of Candles and Night Lights," within Scotland aforesaid, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent.

Also certain other Letters Patent under the said last-mentioned Seal, and sealed at Edinburgh on or about the Thirteenth Day of March One thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, conferring upon the said George Fergusson Wilson, and his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the exclusive Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention of "Improvements in separating the more liquid Parts from the more solid Parts of fatty and oily Matters, and in separating fatty and oily Matters from foreign Matters, and in the Manufacture of Candles and Night Lights," within Scotland aforesaid, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent.

Also certain Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Ireland, bearing Date at Dublin on or about the Eleventh Day of May in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, conferring upon the said George Fergusson Wilson, and his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the exclusive Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention of "Improvements in treating and manufacturing certain fatty or oily Matters, and in the Manufacture of Candles and Night Lights," within Ireland aforesaid, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent.

Also certain other Letters Patent under the said last-mentioned Seal, bearing Date at Dublin on or about the Twelfth Day of September in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, conferring upon the said George Fergusson Wilson, and his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the exclusive Privilege of making, using, exercising, and vending his Invention of "Improvements in separating the more liquid Parts from the more solid Parts of fatty and oily Matters, and in separating fatty and oily Matters from foreign Matters, and in the Manufacture of Candles and Night Lights," within Ireland aforesaid, during the Term of Fourteen Years from the Date of the same Letters Patent.

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