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An Act to extend the time for the purchase of lands and for the construction of the works authorized by The Medway Docks Act, 1866. A.D. 1869.
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[24th June 1869.]

WHEREAS by the "Medway Docks Act, 1866," (in this Act called "the Act of 1866"), the Medway Docks Company (in this Act called "the company") were incorporated and authorized to make the docks, railway, and works therein described: 28 & 29 Vict.
c. ccclxxv.

And whereas it is expedient that the time limited by the said Act for the compulsory purchase of lands and for the completion of the said docks, railway, and works should be extended:

And whereas the purposes aforesaid cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the 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 of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Medway Docks (Extension of Time) Act, 1869." Short title.

2. Part II. (relating to extension of time) of "The Railways Clauses Act, 1863," (except where expressly varied by this Act) shall be incorporated with and form part of this Act, and the expression "the railway" in that Act shall be taken to mean the docks, railway, and works by the Act of 1866 authorized. Part of
26 & 27 Vict.
c. 92. incor-
porated.

3. The several words and expressions to which by the said Act of 1866, or this Act, or the Acts wholly or partially incorporated therewith, meanings are assigned shall have in this Act the same respective meanings, unless there be in the subject or context something repugnant to or inconsistent with such construction. Interpre-
tation.

4. The powers granted to the company by the Act of 1866 for the compulsory purchase of lands are hereby extended, and may be exercised by the company for and during a period of three years Powers for
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from the passing of this Act, and on the expiration of that period those powers shall cease, and section 25 of the Act of 1866, relating to the purchase of lands from Thomas Sidden, is by this Act repealed; provided nevertheless, that if the company do not, on or before the 1st day of June 1870, purchase and pay for the lands shown on the plans and specified in the books of reference deposited with respect to the Act of 1866 as Nos. 14, 15, 23, 25, 25*a*, 25*b*, 26, 26*a*, 27, 27*a*, and 28, of which Thomas Sidden is owner, then and from thenceforth the powers of this Act for the compulsory purchase of such lands shall cease, and it shall not be lawful for the company to enter upon, take, or use such lands or any part thereof, or interfere with the accesses thereto, unless with the consent in writing of the said Thomas Sidden, his heirs or assigns.

Extension of time for completion of works.

5. The time limited by the Act of 1866 for the completion of the several works thereby authorized shall be and the same is hereby extended and enlarged until the expiration of six years from the passing of this Act; and on the expiration of that period the powers by this Act, the Act of 1866, or the Acts wholly or partially incorporated therewith, granted to the company for constructing the said several works, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall cease to be exercised, except as to so much of the same as shall then be completed.

Extension of time not to release the company from forfeiture for non-completion of railway.

6. The extension of time hereby granted for the completion of the railway by the Act of 1866 authorized shall not release the company from the provisions of section 31 of the Act of 1866 for securing the completion of the same: Provided always, that such provisions shall be read and construed as if the period limited for completing the railway and the works in that section were the period as by this Act extended and limited for completing the same.

Deposits for future Bills not to be paid out of capital.

7. The company shall not, out of any money by any Act relating to the company authorized to be raised for the purposes of such Act, pay or deposit any sum of money which, by any standing order of either House of Parliament now or hereafter in force, may be required to be deposited in respect of any application to Parliament for the purpose of obtaining an Act authorizing the company to construct any other railway, or to execute any other work or undertaking.

Railway not exempt from provisions of present and future general Acts.

8. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to exempt the railway of the company from the provisions of any general Act relating to railways, or the better and more impartial audit of the accounts of railway companies, now in force or which may hereafter pass during this or any future session of Parliament,

or from any future revision or alteration, under the authority of Parliament, of the maximum rates of fares and charges, or of the rates for small parcels authorized by the Act of 1866. A.D. 1869. —

9. All the 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. Expenses of Act.

