



CHAPTER ccxxxix.

An Act for the Abandonment of the London, Essex, and Kent Coast Junction Railway. A.D. 1877
[14th August 1877.]

WHEREAS by the "London, Essex, and Kent Coast Junction Railway Act, 1876," (in this Act called "the Act of 1876,") the London, Essex, and Kent Coast Junction Railway Company (in this Act called "the Company") were incorporated, and authorised to make and maintain certain railways and works in the counties of Essex and Kent (in this Act called "the railway"):

And whereas no part of the capital authorised by the Act of 1876 has been raised, and none of the powers of that Act in relation to the making of the railway have been exercised, and it is expedient that the railway should be abandoned, and the affairs of the Company wound up, and the Company dissolved:

And whereas the objects aforesaid cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the 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; (that is to say,)

1. This Act may for all purposes be cited as "London, Essex, and Kent Coast Junction Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1877." Short title.

2. The Company shall abandon the making of the railway, and on and after the passing of this Act the Company shall, except only as is by this Act otherwise expressly provided, be absolutely freed from all obligations with respect to the making and maintaining of the railway. Making of railway to be abandoned.

3. The abandonment by the Company under the authority of this Act of the railway shall not prejudice or affect the right of the owner or occupier of any land to receive compensation for any Compensation for damage to land by

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damage occasioned by the entry of the Company on such land for the purpose of surveying and taking levels, or probing or boring to ascertain the nature of the soil, or setting out of the line of railway, and shall not prejudice or affect the right of the owner or occupier of any land which may have been temporarily occupied by the Company to receive compensation for such temporary occupation, or for any loss, damage, or injury which may have been sustained by such owner or occupier by reason thereof, or of the exercise as regards such land of any of the powers contained in the Railways Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, or the Act of 1876.

Compensa-
tion to be
made in
respect of
railway
abandoned.

4. Where before the passing of this Act any contract may have been entered into or notice given by the Company for the purchasing of any land for the purposes of or in relation to the railway or any portion thereof, the Company shall be released from all liability to purchase or to complete the purchase of any such lands; but, notwithstanding, full compensation shall be made by the Company to the owners and occupiers or other persons interested in such lands for all injury or damage sustained by them respectively by reason of the purchase not being completed pursuant to the contract or notice, and the amount and application of the compensation shall be determined in manner provided by the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, as amended by any subsequent Act, for determining the amount and application of compensation paid for lands taken under the provisions thereof.

Providing
for release of
deposit.

5. Subject to the provisions of section thirty-nine of the Act of 1876, the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) may and shall, at any time after the passing of this Act, on application by the persons or the majority of the persons named in the warrant or order mentioned in the thirty-eighth section of the Act of 1876, or the survivors or survivor of them, by petition in a summary way, order that the sum of twenty-seven thousand two hundred and thirty-seven pounds consolidated three per centum annuities mentioned in the said thirty-eighth section of the Act of 1876, together with any dividends due and payable thereon, may be transferred and paid to the person or persons so applying, or to any other person or persons whom they or he may appoint in that behalf, and upon such order being made the said annuities and the dividends thereon shall be transferred and paid to such person or persons accordingly.

Provision for
winding up
affairs of
Company.

6. Forthwith after the passing of this Act the Company shall proceed to wind up their affairs, and shall pay, satisfy, and discharge all their debts, liabilities, and engagements.

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7. When all the debts, liabilities, and engagements of the Company are paid, satisfied, or discharged, and the affairs of the Company are wound up, the Company shall be by this Act dissolved, and shall thenceforth wholly cease to exist, and the "London, Essex, and Kent Coast Junction Railway Act, 1876," shall be by this Act repealed. A.D. 1877.
Dissolution
of Company.

8. All costs, charges, and expenses of and incident to the applying for, obtaining, and passing of this Act, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall be paid by the Company. Expenses of
Act.

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