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CHAPTER lxxxviii.

An Act to extend the time for completing and opening the A.D. 1894.

Lambourn Valley Railway and for other purposes.

[20th July 1894.]

WHEREAS by the Lambourn Valley Railway Act 1883 (hereinafter called the Act of 1883) the Lambourn Valley Railway Company (herein-after called the Company) were incorporated and empowered to make a railway from Lambourn in the county of Berks to the Berks and Hants Branch of the Great Western Railway near Newbury in the same county and to raise one hundred thousand pounds by shares and thirty-three thousand pounds by borrowing:

And whereas by the Lambourn Valley Railway Act 1888 (herein-after called the Act of 1888) the time for the completion of the railway authorised by the Act of 1883 was extended to the second day of August 1891 and the Company were authorised to borrow the said sum of thirty-three thousand pounds by two instalments of sixteen thousand five hundred pounds each the first of which instalments was not to be borrowed until the whole of the land required for the railway had been purchased and the second instalment was not to be borrowed until the portion of railway from Newbury to Boxford had been constructed:

And whereas by the Lambourn Valley Railway (Deviations) Certificate 1890 granted by the Board of Trade under the authority of the Railways Construction Facilities Act 1864 and the Railways (Powers and Construction) Acts 1864 Amendment Act 1870 and duly confirmed by Parliament the Company were empowered to divert portions of their railway authorised by the Act of 1883 and the time for constructing such diverted portions of railway was limited to two years from seventeenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety:

And whereas by the Lambourn Valley Railway Act 1892 (herein-after called the Act of 1892) the period for completing and

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opening the railway was revived and extended to the seventeenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four and the Company were authorised to raise additional capital and to divide their shares into preferred and deferred shares:

And whereas it has been found impracticable to complete and open the railway throughout for the public conveyance of passengers within the time limited by the said Acts and Certificate and it is expedient that the time limited as aforesaid for the completion and opening of the same should be further extended in manner provided by 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 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:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Lambourn Valley Railway Act 1894.

Incorporation of Acts.

2. The following Acts and parts or provisions of Acts are (except where expressly varied by or inconsistent with this Act) incorporated with and form part of this Act (that is to say) The Railways Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 and Part II. (relating to extension of time) of the Railways Clauses Act 1863.

Extending time for completing and opening railway.

3. The period limited by the Act of 1883 as extended by the Act of 1888 the Certificate of 1890 and the Act of 1892 for opening the railway for the public conveyance of passengers is hereby extended to the seventeenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and the said Acts and Certificate shall be read and construed as if the time therein mentioned or referred to for completing and opening the railway for the public conveyance of passengers was the seventeenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

If railway not opened within extended time powers to cease.

4. If the railway is not completed and opened for the public conveyance of passengers within the extended period by this Act granted to the Company for completing and opening the same then on the expiration of that period the powers by the recited Acts and Certificate and this Act conferred on the Company for making and completing the railway or otherwise in relation thereto shall cease except as to so much thereof as is then completed.

Great Western classification and 5. The classification of merchandise traffic including perishable merchandise exceeding fifty-six pounds in weight by passenger train

and the schedule of maximum rates and charges applicable thereto and the regulations and provisions contained in the schedule to the Great Western Railway Company (Rates and Charges) Order Confirmation Act 1891 shall be applicable and apply to the Company as if the same were one of the railway companies named in the Order Company. confirmed by the said Act Provided that Scale II. of Part I. of the said schedule shall be applicable and apply to the railway of the Company.

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6. Nothing in this Act contained shall exempt the Company or Provision as the railway of the Company from the provisions of any general Act to general relating to railways or the better and more impartial audit of the Acts. 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 and charges or of the rates for small parcels authorised by any Act of the Company.

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7. All costs charges and expenses of and incident to the preparing Costs of Act. for obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company.

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