



Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847

1847 CHAPTER 34

Water

And with respect to the Supply of Water, be it enacted is follows:

CXXI Power to Commissioners to construct public Cisterns and Pumps for Supply of Water to Baths and Wash-houses. Commissioners not to construct such new Works without Approval.

The Commissioners shall cause all existing public Cisterns Pumps, Wells, Conduits, and other Waterworks used for the gratuitous Supply of Water to the Inhabitants within the Limits of the special Act, to be continued, maintained, and supplied with Water, or they shall substitute other such Works equally convenient, and shall cause them to be maintained and supplied with Water; and such public Cisterns and other Works shall be vested in the Commissioners and be under their Management and Control; and the Commissioners may construct any Number of new Cisterns, Pumps, Conduits, and Other Water works, for the gratuitous Use of any Persons who choose to carry the same away, not for Sale, but for their own private Use, and may supply with Water any public Baths or Wash-houses ; provided that the Commissioners shall not construct any such new Works without the prescribed Approval, or, if no Approval be prescribed, without the Approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods and Forests, Land Revenues, Works, and Buildings; and before giving their Approval, to the Construction of any such new Works the last-mentioned Commissioners shall, cause a local Inquiry to be made in the Manner prescribed by an Act of the last Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act for making preliminary Inquiries in certain Cases of Application for Local Acts*, and shall withhold their Inquiry if upon such Inquiry they shall be satisfied that an equally good and abundant Supply of Water for such public Purposes can be procured as cheaply by any other Means than by the Construction of such new Works.

CXXII Commissioners may contract for Supply of Water.

The Commissioners may contract for the prescribed Period, or (where no Period shall be prescribed) for any Period not exceeding Three Years at One Time, with the Owners

of any Waterworks or any other Person for such Supply of Water as the Commissioners shall think necessary for the Purposes of this or the special Act.

CXXIIIFor ascertaining Price to be paid for Water in case of Dispute.

If the Commissioners, and the Owners of any Waterworks authorized by Act of Parliament to supply Water within the Limits of the special Act, with whom the Commissioners may be desirous of contracting, do not agree as to the Price to be paid for such Supply, then such Price (except where by the Act authorizing such Waterworks some other Mode of determining such Price shall be provided) shall be settled by Arbitration, and for that Purpose the Clauses of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, with respect to the Settlement of Disputes by Arbitration, shall be incorporated with this and the special Act.

CXXIVCommissioners to cause Fire Plugs, &c. to be provided and maintained.

The Commissioners shall cause Fireplugs, and all necessary Works, Machinery, and Assistance for securing an efficient Supply of Water in Cases of Fire, to be provided and maintained, and for this Purpose they may enter into any Agreement with any Water Company or other Party, and they shall paint or mark on the Buildings and Walls within the Streets Words or Marks near to such Fireplugs to denote the Situation thereof, and do "such other Things for the Purposes aforesaid as they may from Time to Time deem expedient.