



Metropolitan, Commons Act 1878

1878 CHAPTER 71

An Act to extend to Metropolitan Commons certain provisions of the Commons Act, 1876. [16th August 1878]

WHEREAS it is expedient to extend to the commons situate within the area prescribed by the Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866, certain provisions contained in the Commons Act, 1876:

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 Short title.

This Act shall be cited as the Metropolitan Commons Act, 1878, and shall be read as forming one Act with the Metropolitan Commons Acts, 1866 and 1869.

2 Power to Metropolitan Board to acquire and hold common rights.

The Metropolitan Board of Works shall, in respect of any common situate within the metropolis as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, have the same power to purchase and hold, with a view to prevent the extinction of the rights of common, any saleable rights in common, or any tenement of a commoner having annexed thereto rights of common, as is conferred by the fifth paragraph of the eighth section of the Commons Act, 1876, upon an urban sanitary authority in respect of a suburban common.

3 Extension of certain provisions of 39 & 40 Vict. c.56 to metropolitan commons.

Sections thirty and thirty-one of the Commons Act, 1876, shall, after the passing of this Act, apply to metropolitan commons within the meaning of the Metropolitan Commons Acts of 1866 and 1869.