



CHAPTER xxx.

An Act for reviving and extending the period limited by the Knott End Railway Act 1898 for the compulsory purchase of lands and for extending the period limited by that Act for the construction of the railway by that Act authorised and for other purposes. A.D. 1903.
[30th June 1903.]

WHEREAS by the Knott End Railway Act 1898 (in this Act called "the Act of 1898") the Knott End Railway Company (in this Act called "the Company") were incorporated and were authorised to make the railway between Knott End and Pilling in the county palatine of Lancaster in that Act described :

And whereas the period limited by the Act of 1898 for the compulsory purchase of lands for the purposes of the said railway expired on the twelfth day of August one thousand nine hundred and one and the period for the completion of such railway will expire on the twelfth day of August one thousand nine hundred and three and it is expedient that such periods should respectively be revived and extended as in this Act provided :

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 King'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 be cited as the Knott End Railway Short title.
(Extension of Time) Act 1903.

2. Part II (relating to extension of time) of the Railways Incorporation of part
Clauses Act 1863 is incorporated with and forms part of this of Act.
Act.

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Extension of time for purchase of lands.

3. The powers granted to the Company by the Act of 1898 for the compulsory purchase of lands for the purposes of that Act are hereby revived and extended and may be exercised for a period of two years from the twelfth day of August one thousand nine hundred and three.

Extension of time for completion of railway.

4. The time limited by the Act of 1898 for the completion of the railway authorised by that Act shall be and the same is hereby extended and shall continue in force until the expiration of three years from the twelfth day of August one thousand nine hundred and three.

Extended period for completion of railway to be deemed period limited by Act of 1898.

5. The extended period hereby granted for completing the railway authorised by the Act of 1898 shall for all purposes referred to in the said Act with reference to the completion of the same be deemed to be the period limited by the said Act for the completion of the same. Provided that if the said railway shall not be completed within the extended period limited by this Act then on the expiration of such period the powers by the Act of 1898 granted to the Company for the construction and completion thereof shall cease to be exercised except as to so much thereof as shall then be completed.

Section 52 of Act of 1898 to continue to apply.

6. Section 52 of the Act of 1898 the marginal note whereof is "Power to pay interest out of capital during construction" shall continue to apply to the railway authorised by that Act as though the period limited by that Act for the completion thereof had been the period extended and limited by this Act and section 52 of the Act of 1898 shall be read as if the words "shall have deposited with the Board of Trade a statutory declaration by two of the directors and the secretary of the Company" were substituted for the words "shall have obtained a certificate from the Board of Trade."

Restriction on taking houses of labouring class.

7. Section 38 of the Act of 1898 is hereby repealed and the Company shall not under the powers of that Act as revived and extended by this Act purchase or acquire in any borough or other urban district and elsewhere than in any borough or urban district any parish ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December next before the passing of that Act were or have been since that day or shall hereafter be occupied either wholly or partly by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers.

If the Company acquire or appropriate any such house or houses for the purposes of this Act in contravention of the foregoing provisions they shall be liable to a penalty of five hundred

pounds in respect of every such house which penalty shall be recoverable by the Local Government Board by action in the High Court and shall be carried to and form part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom Provided that the court may if it think fit reduce such penalty. A.D. 1903.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any such persons who may be residing with them The expression "house" means any house or part of a house occupied as a separate dwelling.

8. Nothing in this Act contained shall exempt the Company or the railway 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. Provision as
to general
Railway
Acts.

9. All 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. Costs of
Act.

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