



## CHAPTER lxi.

An Act to authorise the Rhondda Tramways Company Limited to provide and work a railless traction system in the parish of Llantrisant and for other purposes.  
[15th August 1913.]

WHEREAS the Rhondda Tramways Company Limited (in this Act referred to as "the Company") are lessees from the urban district council of Rhondda for a long period of years of a system of tramways in the urban district of Rhondda the construction of which was authorised by the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways) Act 1902 and the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions &c.) Act 1910 and the Company are working such tramways:

And whereas it is expedient to authorise the Company to provide and work trolley vehicles along a route in the parish of Llantrisant in prolongation of certain of the tramways worked by the Company as aforesaid:

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:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Rhondda Tramways Short title.  
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2. The following Acts and Parts of Acts so far as the same are applicable for the purposes of and are not inconsistent

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The following provisions of the Tramways Act 1870 namely:—

Part II. Relating to the construction of tramways  
(except sections 22 25 28 and 29);

Section 41 Tramways to be removed in certain cases;

Section 42 Proceedings in case of insolvency of promoters;

Section 46 Byelaws by local authority Promoters may  
make certain regulations;

Section 47 Penalties may be imposed in byelaws;

Section 48 Power to local authority to license drivers  
conductors &c.;

Section 49 Penalty for obstruction of promoters in laying  
out tramway;

Section 51 Penalty on passengers practising frauds on  
the promoters;

Section 52 Transient offenders;

Section 53 Penalty for bringing dangerous goods on the  
tramway;

Section 55 Promoters or lessees to be responsible for all  
damages;

Section 56 Recovery of tolls penalties &c.;

Section 60 Reserving powers of street authorities to widen  
&c. roads;

Section 61 Power for local or police authorities to regu-  
late traffic in roads;

Section 62 Reservation of right of public to use roads;

Section 63 Regulating inquiries before referee appointed  
by the Board of Trade;

Section 64 Rules for carrying Act into effect:

Provided that the provisions of the Tramways Act 1870 incorporated with this Act shall be read and have effect as if trolley vehicle equipment as defined by this Act were tramways and as if trolley vehicles were carriages used on tramways and in construing Part II. of the said Act the expression "road" shall have the meaning assigned to it in this Act.

Interpreta-  
tion:

3. In this Act the several words and expressions to which meanings are assigned by the Acts wholly or partially incorporated herewith have subject to the provisions of this Act the

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same respective meanings unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction: A.D. 1913.

The expression "the Company" means the Rhondda Tramways Company Limited;

The expression "the undertaking" means the undertaking by this Act authorised;

The expression "trolley vehicles" means mechanically propelled vehicles adapted for use upon roads without rails and moved by electrical power transmitted thereto from some external source;

The expression "trolley vehicle equipment" means and includes all posts poles standards brackets cables conductors tubes mains transformers feeders wires and other apparatus and equipment for the purpose of working and lighting trolley vehicles;

The expression "the trolley vehicle route" means the route upon which the Company are by this Act authorised to work and use trolley vehicles;

The respective words "street" and "road" shall unless a contrary intention appears have the same meaning as is assigned to the word "street" by the Public Health Act 1875;

"The Llantrisant Council" means the rural district council of Llantrisant and Llantwit Fardre.

4. The Company may provide maintain and equip trolley vehicles and may work and use the same upon the route in the parish of Llantrisant in the county of Glamorgan herein-after mentioned (that is to say):— Power to use trolley vehicles.

From the termination of the tramways leased by the Rhondda Urban District Council to the Company at the boundary of the urban district of Rhondda with the parish of Llantrisant on the Penrhiw-fer Road proceeding in a southerly direction along the said road to Tonyrefail thence in a south-westerly and afterwards in a westerly direction along the Gilfach Road thence in a northerly direction along the Gelliarael Road past Gilfach Station thence in a north-easterly direction along the Gilfach Road and in a north-westerly direction along Llewelyn Terrace and Nicholl's Terrace to the boundary of the parish of Llantrisant with the urban district of Rhondda:

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A.D. 1913. And subject to the provisions of this Act the Company may for the purposes of working and lighting the said trolley vehicles or otherwise in connexion therewith and also for the purpose of obtaining access to any lands depôts sheds or property of the Company or of forming connexions with any generating station (including the generating station leased by the Company from the Rhondda Urban District Council at Rheola Road Porth in the urban district of Rhondda) place erect lay down maintain renew alter and repair trolley vehicle equipment on over under along and across any streets or roads (including footpaths) forming part of the trolley vehicle route or forming part of the routes of any of the said tramways or adjoining or intersecting any of such routes or forming part of the routes of any of the existing cables of the Company laid along Trealar Road and Bridge Street in the said urban district and may for the purposes aforesaid open and break up the surface of and make and maintain openings and ways in on or under any such streets or roads as aforesaid and any railways tramways or sidings crossed by the trolley vehicle route and alter divert stop up or otherwise interfere with any sewers drains pipes tubes wires and apparatus in upon over or under any such streets and roads as aforesaid :

Provided that nothing in this Act shall extend to or authorise any interference with any works of any undertakers within the meaning of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 to which the provisions of section 15 of the former Act apply except in accordance with and subject to the provisions of that section :

All posts and apparatus erected by the Company under the powers of this Act in any street or road shall be of such design and shall be placed in such position as may be approved by the local authority Provided that no post or other apparatus shall be erected upon the carriageway of any public street or road except with the consent of the Board of Trade :

Provided further that notwithstanding anything in this Act contained the Company shall not (a) place or erect any post pole or standard in the Rhondda Urban District without the consent in writing of the Rhondda Urban District Council or (b) work or use trolley vehicles in the said urban district otherwise than for the purpose of running such trolley vehicles without passengers luggage or parcels to or from any depôts or sheds of the Company.

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5. Subject to the provisions of this Act trolley vehicles shall not be deemed to be light locomotives within the meaning of the Locomotives on Highways Act 1896 or of the byelaws and regulations made thereunder nor shall they be deemed to be motor cars within the meaning of the Motor Car Act 1903 (save and except for the purposes of subsection (i) of section 1 of that Act and the provisions necessary for enforcing that subsection) and neither the regulations made under that Act nor the enactments mentioned in the schedule to the Locomotives on Highways Act 1896 nor the Locomotives Act 1898 shall apply to trolley vehicles.

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Trolley  
vehicles not  
to be deemed  
light loco-  
motives or  
motor cars

6. Nothing in this Act shall in any way affect the duties of excise now payable by law on licences to be taken out for trolley vehicles as carriages or light locomotives or hackney carriages.

Saving of  
excise  
duties.

7.—(1) Trolley vehicles shall be of such form weight construction and dimensions as the Board of Trade may approve.

Approval of  
trolley  
vehicles and  
equipment  
by Board of  
Trade.

(2) No trolley vehicle shall be used by the Company which does not comply with the requirements of the Board of Trade nor until the trolley vehicle equipment has been approved by the Board of Trade.

(3) No trailers shall be drawn by trolley vehicles without the consent of the Board of Trade.

8. The Company may demand and take for every passenger travelling upon the trolley vehicles including every expense incidental to such conveyance a fare not exceeding one penny per mile and in computing the said fare a fraction of a mile shall be deemed a mile :

Fares for  
passengers.

Provided that the Company may appoint stages for the trolley vehicles each of not less than half a mile in length and may demand and take for every such passenger including every such incidental expense a fare not exceeding one penny for any two consecutive stages or portion thereof travelled by such passenger.

9. The Company shall not take or demand on Sunday or any public holiday any higher fares than those levied by them on ordinary week days.

As to fares  
on Sundays  
or holidays.

10. Every passenger travelling upon the trolley vehicles may take with him his personal luggage not exceeding twenty-eight

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luggage.



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Cheap fares  
for labouring  
classes.

11.—(1) The Company at all times after the opening of the trolley vehicle route for public traffic shall and they are hereby required to run a proper and sufficient service of trolley vehicles for artizans mechanics and daily labourers each way every morning and every evening (Sundays Christmas Day Good Friday and other public holidays always excepted) at such hours not being later than seven in the morning or earlier than six in the evening respectively as may be most convenient for such workmen going to and returning from their work at fares not exceeding one halfpenny for every mile or fraction of that distance but in no case shall the Company be bound to charge a less sum than one penny On Saturdays the Company in lieu of running such vehicles after six o'clock in the evening shall run the same at such hours between noon and two o'clock in the afternoon as may be most convenient for the said purposes.

(2) If complaint is made to the Board of Trade that such proper and sufficient service is not provided the Board after considering the circumstances of the locality may by order direct the Company to provide such service as may appear to the Board to be reasonable.

(3) The Company shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day during which they fail to comply with any order under this section.

Rates for  
parcels.

12. The Company may demand and take in respect of parcels conveyed by them on trolley vehicles including every expense incidental to such conveyance any rates or charges not exceeding the following (that is to say):—

	Any Distance.	
	s.	d.
For any parcel not exceeding seven pounds in weight	0	3
For any parcel exceeding seven pounds and not exceeding fourteen pounds in weight	0	5
For any parcel exceeding fourteen pounds and not exceeding twenty-eight pounds in weight	0	7
For any parcel exceeding twenty-eight pounds and not exceeding fifty-six pounds in weight	0	9

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**13.** A list of the fares rates and charges authorised to be taken shall be exhibited in a conspicuous place inside and outside each of the trolley vehicles of the Company.

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List of fares &c. to be exhibited.

**14.** The fares rates and charges by this Act authorised shall be paid to such persons and at such places upon or near to the trolley vehicles and in such manner and under such regulations as the Company may by notice to be annexed to the list of fares rates and charges appoint.

Payment of fares rates and charges.

**15.** The Company shall not carry on the trolley vehicles any goods animals or other things other than passengers and passengers luggage not exceeding the weight in this Act in that behalf mentioned and small parcels not exceeding fifty-six pounds in weight.

Company not to carry animals and goods other than small parcels.

**16.** Subject to the provisions of this Act the Company shall have the exclusive right of using any trolley vehicle equipment provided erected or maintained by them under and for the purposes of this Act and any person using the said equipment otherwise than by agreement with the Company shall for every offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Company to have exclusive right of using trolley vehicle equipment.

**17.** Within one month after the Llantrisant Council shall have widened the roads in which the trolley vehicle route will be situate so as to provide a carriageway of the width of seventeen feet with a footpath of the width of four feet and shall have adapted such roads for the running of trolley vehicles thereon the Company shall if such works are executed within three years after the passing of this Act pay to the Llantrisant Council one-third of the cost of such works but not exceeding in the whole the sum of one thousand three hundred and thirty-three pounds Provided that if any widening carried out by the Llantrisant Council under the provisions of this section involves an alteration of any telegraphic line belonging to or used by the Postmaster-General the enactments contained in section 7 of the Telegraph Act 1878 shall apply to any such alteration as aforesaid and the Llantrisant Council shall be deemed to be "undertakers" within the meaning of that Act.

Contribution towards widening and adaptation of roads.

**18.—(1)** The Company shall after the expiration of the period of three years from the opening of the trolley vehicle route for public traffic and of every succeeding period of three

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(2) The Company shall keep statements for the purposes of this section showing in proper detail the mileage run by each trolley vehicle and shall furnish copies of such statements annually to the Llantrisant Council and the Company shall allow any person duly authorised by the Llantrisant Council in that behalf at all reasonable times to inspect and take copies of all such statements and any accounts kept by the Company relating to the running of all such trolley vehicles.

Provisions  
as to motive  
power.

**19.** The trolley vehicles used by the Company may be moved by electrical power subject to the following provisions (that is to say):—

(1) The electrical power shall not be used except according to a system approved by the Board of Trade:

(2) The Board of Trade shall make regulations (in this Act referred to as “the Board of Trade regulations”) for securing to the public all reasonable protection against danger arising from the use under this Act of electrical power for propelling the trolley vehicles of the Company and for regulating the use of electrical power:

(3) If the Company use any electrical power for the trolley vehicles contrary to the provisions of this Act or of the Board of Trade regulations they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and also in the case of a continuing offence to a further penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day during which such offence is continued after conviction thereof:

(4) The Board of Trade if they are of opinion—

(a) That the Company have made default in complying with the provisions of this Act or of the Board of Trade regulations whether a penalty in respect of such non-compliance has or has not been recovered; or



(b) That the use of electrical power as authorised under this Act is a danger to the passengers or the public; A.D. 1913.

may by order either direct the Company to cease to use such electrical power or permit the same to be continued only subject to such conditions as the Board of Trade may impose and the Company shall comply with every such order. In every such case the Board of Trade shall make a special report to Parliament notifying the making of such order.

20. The following provisions shall apply to the use of electrical power in connexion with the trolley vehicles:— Special provisions as to use of electrical power.

(1) The Company shall employ either insulated returns or uninsulated metallic returns of low resistance:

(2) The Company shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing placing and maintaining their trolley vehicle equipment and also in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect by fusion or electrolytic action any gas or water pipes or other metallic pipes structures or substances or to interfere with the working of any wire line or apparatus from time to time used for the purpose of transmitting electrical power or of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire line or apparatus:

(3) The electrical power shall be used only in accordance with the Board of Trade regulations and in such regulations provision shall be made for preventing fusion or injurious electrolytic action of or on gas or water pipes or other metallic pipes structures or substances and for minimising as far as is reasonably practicable injurious interference with the electric wires lines and apparatus of other parties and the currents therein whether such lines do or do not use the earth as a return:

(4) The Company shall be deemed to take all reasonable precautions against interference with the working of any wire line or apparatus if and so long as they adopt and employ at the option of the Company either such insulated returns or such uninsulated metallic returns of low resistance and such other

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means of preventing injurious interference with the electric wires lines and apparatus of other parties and the currents therein as may be prescribed by the Board of Trade regulations and in prescribing such means the Board shall have regard to the expense involved and to the effect thereof upon the commercial prospects of the undertaking:

(5) At the expiration of two years from the passing of this Act the provisions of this section shall not operate to give any right of action in respect of injurious interference with any electric wire line or apparatus or the currents therein unless in the construction erection maintaining and working of such wire line and apparatus all reasonable precautions including the use of an insulated return have been taken to prevent injurious interference therewith and with the currents therein by or from other electric currents:

(6) If any difference arises between the Company and any other party with respect to anything herein-before in this section contained such difference shall unless the parties otherwise agree be determined by the Board of Trade or at the option of the Board by an arbitrator to be appointed by the Board and the costs of such determination shall be in the discretion of the Board or of the arbitrator as the case may be.

Inspection  
by Board of  
Trade.

**21.** No part of the trolley vehicle route shall be opened for public traffic until it has been inspected and certified to be fit for such traffic by the Board of Trade.

Conveyance  
of mails.

**22.** The Company shall perform in respect of trolley vehicles all the services in regard to the conveyance of mails which are prescribed by the Conveyance of Mails Act 1893 in the case of a tramway as defined by that Act and authorised as in that Act stated.

Alteration of  
telegraph  
lines of  
Postmaster-  
General.

**23.** Notwithstanding anything in this Act if any of the works authorised to be executed by this Act involves or is likely to involve any alteration of any telegraphic line belonging to or used by the Postmaster-General the provisions of section 7 of the Telegraph Act 1878 shall apply (instead of the provisions of section 30 of the Tramways Act 1870) to any such alteration.

24.—(1) The Company shall construct their trolley vehicle equipment and shall work their undertaking in all respects with due regard to the telegraphic lines from time to time used or intended to be used by His Majesty's Postmaster-General and the currents in such telegraphic lines and shall use every reasonable means in the construction of their trolley vehicle equipment and the working of their undertaking to prevent injurious affection whether by induction or otherwise to such telegraphic lines or the currents therein Any difference which arises between the Postmaster-General and the Company as to compliance with this subsection shall be determined by arbitration.

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For protection of Post Office telegraph lines.

(2) If any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General is injuriously affected by the construction by the Company of their trolley vehicle equipment or by the working of their undertaking the Company shall pay the expense of all such alterations in the telegraphic lines of the Postmaster-General as may be necessary to remedy such injurious affection.

(3) Before any electric line is laid down or any act or work for working or lighting the trolley vehicles by electricity is done within ten yards of any part of a telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General (other than repairs) the Company or their agents not more than twenty-eight nor less than fourteen days before commencing the work shall give written notice to the Postmaster-General specifying the course of the line and the nature of the work including the gauge of any wire and the Company and their agents shall conform with such reasonable requirements (either general or special) as may from time to time be made by the Postmaster-General for the purpose of preventing any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General from being injuriously affected by the said act or work Any difference which arises between the Postmaster-General and the Company as to any requirement so made shall be determined by arbitration.

(4) If any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General situate within one mile of any portion of the works of the Company is injuriously affected and he is of opinion that such injurious affection is or may be due to the construction of the Company's works or to the working of the undertaking the engineer-in-chief of the Post Office or any person appointed in writing by him may at all times when electrical energy is being used by the Company enter any of the Company's works for the purpose

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(5) In the event of any contravention of or wilful non-compliance with this section by the Company or their agents the Company shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten pounds for every day during which such contravention or non-compliance continues or if the telegraphic communication is wilfully interrupted not exceeding fifty pounds for every day on which such interruption continues.

(6) Provided that nothing in this section shall subject the Company or their agents to a fine under this section if they satisfy the court having cognisance of the case that the immediate doing of any act or the execution of any work in respect of which the penalty is claimed was required to avoid an accident or otherwise was a work of emergency and that they forthwith served on the postmaster or sub-postmaster of the postal telegraph office nearest to the place where the act or work was done a notice of the execution thereof stating the reason for doing or executing the same without previous notice.

(7) For the purposes of this section a telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall be deemed to be injuriously affected by an act or work if telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected by such act or work or by any use made of such work.

(8) For the purposes of this section and subject as therein provided sections 2 10 11 and 12 of the Telegraph Act 1878 shall be deemed to be incorporated with this Act.

(9) The expression "electric line" has the same meaning in this section as in the Electric Lighting Act 1882.

(10) Any question or difference arising under this section which is directed to be determined by arbitration shall be determined by an arbitrator appointed by the Board of Trade on the application of either party whose decision shall be final and sections 30 to 32 both inclusive of the Regulation of Railways Act 1868 shall apply in like manner as if the Company

or their agents were a company within the meaning of that Act. A.D. 1913.

(11) Nothing in this section shall be held to deprive the Postmaster-General of any existing right to proceed against the Company by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

(12) In this section the expression "the Company" shall include any person using the trolley vehicle equipment of the Company for the purpose of working or lighting trolley vehicles.

**25.**—(1) It shall be lawful for the Postmaster-General in any street or public road or part of a street or public road in which he is authorised to place a telegraph to use for the support of such telegraph any posts and standards (with the brackets connected therewith) erected in any such street or public road by the Company in connexion with the trolley vehicles authorised by this Act and to lengthen adapt alter and replace such posts standards and brackets for the purpose of supporting any telegraph and from time to time to alter any telegraph so supported subject to the following conditions:—

Use of posts and standards by Postmaster-General.

(a) In placing maintaining or altering such telegraph no obstruction shall be caused to the working or user of the trolley vehicles:

(b) The Postmaster-General shall give to the Company not less than twenty-eight days' notice in writing of his intention to exercise any of the powers of this section and shall in such notice specify the streets or public roads or parts of streets or public roads along which it is proposed to exercise such powers and the manner in which it is proposed to use the posts standards and brackets and also the maximum strain and the nature and direction of such strain Any difference as to any matter referred to in such notice shall be determined as herein-after provided:

(c) Unless otherwise agreed between the Postmaster-General and the Company the Postmaster-General shall pay the expense of lengthening adapting altering or replacing under the provisions of this section any post standard or bracket and the expense of providing and maintaining any appliances or making any alteration rendered necessary in consequence of the



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exercise of the powers of this section for the protection of the public or the unobstructed working or user of the trolley vehicles or to prevent injurious affection of the Postmaster-General's telegraphs or any telegraphic or telephonic line or trolley vehicle equipment of the Company or by any regulations which may from time to time be made by the Board of Trade arising through the exercise by the Postmaster-General of the powers conferred by this section :

- (d) Unless otherwise agreed or in case of difference determined as herein-after provided all telegraphs shall be attached to the posts standards or brackets below the level of the trolley wires and on the side of such posts or standards farthest from the trolley wires Any difference as to the conditions of attachment shall be determined as herein-after provided :
- (e) Unless otherwise agreed no telegraph shall be attached to any post or standard placed in or near the centre of any street or public road :
- (f) The Postmaster-General shall cause all attachments to posts standards or brackets used by him under the powers of this section to be from time to time inspected so as to satisfy himself that the said attachments are in a proper condition and state of repair :
- (g) The Postmaster-General shall make good to the Company and shall indemnify them against any loss damage or expense which may be incurred by them through or in consequence of the exercise by the Postmaster-General of the powers conferred upon him by this section unless such loss damage or expense be caused by or arise from gross negligence on the part of the Company their officers or servants :
- (h) The Postmaster-General shall make such reasonable contribution to the original cost of providing and placing any post standard or bracket used by him and also to the annual cost of the maintenance and renewal of any such post standard or bracket as having regard to the respective interests of the

Company and the Postmaster-General in the use of the post standard or bracket and to all the circumstances of each case may be agreed upon between the Postmaster-General and the Company or failing agreement determined as herein-after provided: A.D. 1913.

- (i) The Company shall not be liable for any interference with or damage or injury to the telegraphs of the Postmaster-General arising through the exercise by the Postmaster-General of the powers conferred by this section and caused by the maintaining and working of the trolley vehicles or by any accident arising thereon or by the authorised use by the Company of electrical energy unless such interference damage or injury be caused by gross negligence on the part of the Company their officers or servants:
- (j) If it shall become necessary or expedient to alter the position of or remove any post standard or bracket the Postmaster-General shall upon receiving twenty-eight days' notice thereof at his own expense alter or remove the telegraph supported thereby or at his option retain the post standard or bracket and pay the Company the value of the same Provided that if the Company or the body having the control of the street or public road object to the retention of the post standard or bracket by the Postmaster-General a difference shall be deemed to have arisen and shall be determined as herein-after provided.

(2) Nothing in this section shall prevent the Company from using their posts standards or brackets for the support of any of their trolley vehicle equipment or shall take away any existing right of the local authority of using the posts standards or brackets of the Company in connexion with the lighting of the streets or otherwise Provided that any difference between the Postmaster-General and the local authority in relation to the use of the posts standards or brackets by the Postmaster-General and the local authority respectively shall be determined as herein-after provided.

(3) All differences arising under this section shall be determined in manner provided by sections 4 and 5 of the Telegraph Act 1878 for the settlement of differences relating to a street or public road.

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(4) In this section---

The expression "the Company" shall include any person using the trolley vehicle equipment of the Company for the purpose of working trolley vehicles ;

The expression "telegraph" has the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1869 ;

Other expressions have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878.

Attachment  
of brackets  
to buildings  
&c.

**26.** The Company may with the consent of the owner of any building or bridge attach to that building or bridge such brackets wires and apparatus as may be required for the working of the trolley vehicles of the Company by electrical power  
Provided that—

(1) Where in the opinion of the Company any consent under this section is unreasonably refused they may appeal to a petty sessional court who shall have power having regard to the character of the building or bridge and to the other circumstances of the case to allow the attachment subject to such terms as to compensation or rent and otherwise as they may think reasonable or to disallow the same and may determine by which of the parties the costs of the appeal are to be paid :

(2) Any consent of an owner and any order of a petty sessional court under this section shall not have effect after that owner ceases to be in possession of the building or bridge but any attachments fixed under the provisions of this section shall not be removed until the expiration of three months after any subsequent owner shall have given to the Company notice in writing requiring the attachments to be removed Where such notice is given the preceding provisions of this section shall apply and the petty sessional court shall have the same powers as under proviso (1) :

(3) The owner may require the Company to temporarily remove the attachments where necessary during any reconstruction or repair of the building or bridge.

For the purpose of this section any occupier of a building or bridge whose tenancy exceeds one year unexpired and in the

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case of any other tenancy the person receiving the rack rent shall be deemed to be the owner. A.D. 1913.

27. The Company shall not under the powers of this Act make attachments to any building or work of the Great Western Railway Company without the consent in writing of the principal engineer of the Great Western Railway Company which shall not be unreasonably withheld such attachments if allowed to be in all respects subject to the reasonable approval of the said engineer and to be temporarily removed at any time when reasonably required by him in connexion with the maintenance reconstruction or alteration of the said buildings or works.

For protection of Great Western Railway Company.

28. Subject to the provisions of this Act the Board of Trade may make byelaws with regard to the trolley vehicles for all or any of the following purposes (that is to say):—

Byelaws.

For regulating the use of any bell whistle or other warning apparatus fixed to the trolley vehicles:

For providing that trolley vehicles shall be brought to a stand at such places as the Board of Trade may deem proper for securing safety:

For regulating the entrance to exit from and accommodation in the trolley vehicles and the protection of passengers from the apparatus used for propelling such trolley vehicles:

For providing for the due publicity of all byelaws and Board of Trade regulations in force for the time being in relation to the trolley vehicles by exhibition of the same in some conspicuous place on the trolley vehicles and elsewhere.

Any person offending against or committing a breach of any of the byelaws made by the Board of Trade under the authority of this Act shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

29. The Company may appoint the stations and places from which the trolley vehicles used by the Company shall start or at which they may stop for the purpose of taking up or setting down passengers and may make regulations for fixing the time during which such trolley vehicles shall be allowed to remain at any such place.

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Shelters or  
waiting-  
rooms.

**30.**—(1) The Company may erect and maintain shelters or waiting-rooms for the accommodation of passengers and of the servants of the Company and may use for that purpose portions of any street or road provided that such powers shall only be exercised in the case of a public street or road with the consent of the local authority and road authority or in the case of a private street or road with the consent of the owner thereof.

(2) The Company shall not without the consent in writing of the Great Western Railway Company under the hand of their secretary erect any shelter or waiting-room in front of or in close proximity to the entrance to the Gilfach Station and premises of the Great Western Railway Company which adjoin the route prescribed by this Act so as to impede or interfere with the traffic to and from such station and premises of the Great Western Railway Company.

Trees or  
shrubs over-  
hanging  
streets and  
footpaths.

**31.**—(1) Where any tree hedge or shrub overhangs any street or footpath so as to obstruct or interfere with the working of the trolley vehicles or the erection maintenance and user of any trolley vehicle equipment or with the clear and safe passage of the trolley vehicles and the passengers thereon the Company may serve a notice on the owner of the tree hedge or shrub or on the occupier of the premises on which such tree hedge or shrub is growing requiring him to lop the tree hedge or shrub within seven days so as to prevent such obstruction or interference and in default of compliance the Company may themselves carry out the requisition of their notice doing no unnecessary damage.

(2) Any person aggrieved by any requirement of the Company under this section may appeal to a court of summary jurisdiction within three clear days after the service of such notice provided he gives written notice of such appeal and the grounds thereof to the Company and the court shall have power to make such order as the court may think fit and to award costs such costs to be recoverable as a civil debt Notice of the right to appeal shall be endorsed on every requirement of the Company under this section.

As to re-  
moval of  
snow &c.

**32.** If the Company at any time find it necessary or desirable to remove snow or other matter impeding the working of trolley vehicles on the trolley vehicle route the Company may remove the snow or other matter to the side of the road but



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so as not to impede or obstruct the ordinary traffic on the road and the Company shall not use salt or other unsuitable material for thawing the snow on any road. Provided that any snow or other matter removed by the Company under this section shall not be allowed to remain on the road but shall be at once taken away by the Company. A.D. 1913.

**33.** The Company may purchase take on lease or acquire by agreement and may hold for the purposes of the undertaking any lands not exceeding five acres and they may erect or construct on such lands and may purchase or take on lease by agreement and may hold and use depôts yards wharves sidings offices buildings works and other conveniences in connexion with the undertaking and cottages and other buildings for persons in their employ but nothing in this Act shall exonerate the Company from any indictment action or other proceeding for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them on any lands purchased or used by them under the powers of this section. Purchase of lands by agreement.

**34.** Persons empowered by the Lands Clauses Acts to sell and convey or release lands may if they think fit subject to the provisions of those Acts and of this Act grant to the Company any easement right or privilege (not being an easement right or privilege of water in which persons other than the grantors have an interest) required for the purposes of this Act in over or affecting any such lands and the provisions of the said Acts with respect to lands and rentcharges so far as the same are applicable in this behalf shall extend and apply to such grants and to such easements rights and privileges as aforesaid respectively. Persons under disability may grant easements &c.

**35.** The Company may during the continuance of any lease to them of any tramways of the Rhondda Urban District Council use the generating station constructed under the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways) Act 1902 for the purpose of generating and supplying electrical energy for working the trolley vehicles by electrical power and may in such generating station place construct erect maintain work and use all such additional engines dynamos machinery plant and apparatus as may be necessary or convenient for the purpose aforesaid. Supply of energy.

**36.** For the protection of the Rhondda Urban District Council (in this section referred to as "the council") the following For protection of Rhondda

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A.D. 1913. provisions shall notwithstanding anything in this Act contained  
Urban Dis- apply and have effect (that is to say):—  
trict Council.

- (1) Any additional engines dynamos machinery plant and apparatus (in this section called "additional plant") which may be necessary for working the trolley vehicles so as not in any manner to diminish or affect the production of the electrical energy required for the proper working of any tramways leased by the council to the Company shall be provided by and at the expense of the Company:
- (2) If under the powers of the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "Supply of energy" the Company use the generating station referred to in that section for the purpose of generating and supplying electrical energy for working the trolley vehicles all such additional plant shall for the purposes of any lease to the Company of the tramways of the council be deemed to be plant (whether generating plant or otherwise) provided by the Company for the production of electrical energy for the purposes of such tramways and all the provisions of any such lease and the rights powers and remedies of the council thereunder shall extend and apply accordingly to such additional plant as if the same had been provided by the Company under the provisions of any such lease:
- (3) Nothing in this Act contained shall prejudicially affect the rights powers or privileges of the council under the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways) Act 1902 or the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions &c.) Act 1910 or except as by subsection (2) of this section specially provided alter or affect the position of the council under any lease granted by the council to the Company in pursuance of the provisions of those Acts or either of them and at the expiration or sooner determination of the term granted by any such lease all rights powers and privileges by this Act conferred upon the Company so far as the same relate to or are exerciseable by the Company within the district of the council shall absolutely cease and determine:

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- (4) The provisions of the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "Consents of local and road authorities" shall not apply to the council. A.D. 1913.

**37.** For the protection of the Llantrisant Council the following provisions shall unless otherwise agreed between the Llantrisant Council and the Company apply and have effect (that is to say):—

For protection of Llantrisant Council.

- (1) If within three years from the passing of this Act the trolley vehicle equipment for the trolley vehicle route is not substantially commenced or if within four years from the passing of this Act the same is not completed then the powers of constructing such trolley vehicle equipment and otherwise in relation thereto shall cease to be exercised except as to so much of the same as is then completed:
- (2) If any post standard or box of the Company interferes with the construction by the Llantrisant Council of any new road or the improvement reconstruction or alteration of any road or becomes an obstruction to traffic on any road the Company shall alter the position thereof in such manner as the Llantrisant Council may reasonably direct:
- (3) If the Company in the execution of any works in or affecting any road shall cause any damage injury or disturbance to such road and shall fail to properly make good all such damage injury or disturbance in accordance with the provisions of section 27 of the Tramways Act 1870 then it shall be lawful for the Llantrisant Council after reasonable notice to the Company of the alleged failure and of the works which they propose to execute to do all works necessary for making good all such damage injury or disturbance and the Company shall repay to the Llantrisant Council all costs charges and expenses which the Llantrisant Council shall reasonably and properly incur in carrying out such works:
- (4) A number shall be assigned to each trolley vehicle and such number shall be displayed in conspicuous positions outside the vehicle at the front and back thereof and easily distinguishable by day and night:

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- (5) The Company shall make full compensation to the Llantrisant Council for any damage caused to any sewer water main or electric cable of the Llantrisant Council by reason of the running of the trolley vehicles of the Company provided such sewer water main or electric cable is laid in a proper position and manner and at least two feet six inches below the surface of the carriageway :
- (6) The Llantrisant Council shall be at liberty to use any posts poles or brackets erected under the powers of this Act for the purpose of affixing and maintaining thereon street name plates fire alarms and telephone wires in connexion therewith and lamps and other attachments for public lighting provided that no damage be thereby done to the equipment or if done be made good by the Llantrisant Council and that no interference with the trolley vehicle service be caused :
- (7) If any difference at any time arises between the Llantrisant Council and the Company under the provisions of this section such difference shall be settled by arbitration.

Agreements  
for supply of  
electrical  
energy.

**38.** The Company on the one hand and any local authority company or person authorised by Act or Order to supply electrical energy in any area in which the trolley vehicle route or any part thereof is or will be situate on the other hand may from time to time enter into and carry into effect agreements for or with respect to all or any of the following purposes and all matters incidental thereto (that is to say) :—

- (1) The supply to the Company by any such local authority company or person of electrical energy for working or lighting the trolley vehicles upon the whole or any part of the trolley vehicle route<sup>o</sup> or otherwise in connexion with such trolley vehicles :
- (2) The payments to be made or other consideration to be given in respect of any such supply of energy.

Penalty for  
malicious  
damage.

**39.** If any person wilfully does or causes to be done with respect to any trolley vehicle equipment of the Company anything which is calculated to obstruct or interfere with the working of their trolley vehicles or to cause injury to any person he

shall (without prejudice to any proceedings by way of indictment or otherwise to which he may be subject) be guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction and every person convicted of such offence shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds. A.D. 1913.

40. Any penalty under this Act or under any byelaws made in pursuance of this Act may be recovered in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts. Recovery of penalties.

41. Proceedings for the recovery of any demand made under the authority of this Act or any incorporated enactment whether provision is or is not made for the recovery in any specified court or manner may be taken in any county court having otherwise jurisdiction in the matter provided that the demand does not exceed the amount recoverable in that court in a personal action. Recovery of demands.

42. Where under this Act any question or dispute is to be referred to an arbitrator or to arbitration other than questions or disputes to which the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts apply then unless other provision is made the reference shall be to an arbitrator appointed by the Board of Trade and the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1889 shall apply thereto. Provisions as to arbitration.

43. Where the consent or approval of any local or road authority is by this Act required before the exercise of any powers by the Company such consent or approval shall not be unreasonably withheld and if any difference arises as to whether any consent or approval is unreasonably withheld that difference shall be referred to arbitration. Consents of local and road authorities.

44. All orders regulations and byelaws made by the Board of Trade under the authority of this Act shall be signed by a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board. Orders &c. of Board of Trade.

45. With respect to notices and the delivery thereof by or to the Company the following provisions shall have effect (namely):— Form and delivery of notices.

- (1) Every notice shall be in writing and if given by the Company or by the local or road authority shall be sufficiently authenticated by being signed by their secretary or clerk :



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(2) Any notice to be delivered by or to the Company or to or by the local or road authority or other body may be delivered by being left at the principal office of such local or road authority or other body or of the Company as the case may be or by being sent by post addressed to their respective clerk or secretary at their principal office or to such other office as the local or road authority or other body or the Company as the case may be may from time to time by notice to the other request that such notices may be sent or delivered.

Provision as  
to general  
Trolley  
Vehicle  
Acts.

46. Nothing in this Act contained shall exempt the Company or the undertaking from the provisions of any general Act relating to trolley vehicles passed after the commencement of this Act or from any future revision or alteration under the authority of Parliament of the maximum rates fares or charges authorised by this Act.

Costs of  
Act.

47. 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.

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