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An Act to authorize the Construction of several Railways and a Canal, chiefly in the Parishes of Wolstanton and Audley, by the North Staffordshire Railway Company, and to confer other Powers upon such Company and various other Companies and the Duke of Bridgewater's [29th July 1864.] Trustees.

HEREAS the following Acts relate to the North Staffordshire Company and their Undertaking; (that is to say,) Ninth and Tenth of Victoria, Chapter Eighty-five; Tenth Staffordshire and Eleventh of Victoria, Chapter One hundred and eight; Eleventh and Twelfth of Victoria, Chapters Sixty-six and Eighty-three; Thirteenth and Fourteenth of Victoria, Chapter Fifty-five; Seventeenth and Eighteenth of Victoria, Chapter One hundred and ninetyfour; Twenty-second and Twenty-third of Victoria, Chapter One
hundred and twenty-six; Twenty-third of Victoria, Chapter Fortytwo; Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh of Victoria, Chapter One
hundred and fifty-eight; and First of William the Fourth, Chapter Fifty five: And whereas a Railway from the Silverdale and New-[Local.] 52 Mcastle

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castle Railway in the Parish of Wolstanton in the County of Stafford to the Crewe Branch of the North Staffordshire Railway, in the Parish of Barthomley in the County of Chester, and a Railway from an intended Railway from the Silverdale and Newcastle Railway to the Highway leading from Whitmore to Madeley to the first-mentioned intended Railway in the Parish of Madeley, and a Railway in the Parish of Audley from the first-mentioned intended Railway to the Highway leading from Audley to Bignall Hill, and a Railway from the first-mentioned intended Railway in the Parish of Audley to the Branch of the Silverdale and Newcastle Railway called Branch Railway No. 1 in the said Act, Twenty-four and Twenty-five Victoria, Chapter Seventy-one; a Railway in the Parish of Wolstanton from another Branch of the Silverdale and Newcastle Railway to the Highway leading from Chesterton to Audley, and a Railway from the Pottery Line in the same Parish to the Waterloo Road in the Parish of Burslem; a Cut or navigable Canal in the Parish of Wolstanton, leading out of the Navigation from the Trent to the Mersey, belonging to the North Staffordshire Railway Company, and certain Enlargements or Improvements of that Navigation between the Junction therewith of the Bridgewater Canal at Preston Brook, in the Parish of Runcorn in the County of Chester, to a Point in the Parish of Sandbach in the same County, near where the said Navigation is crossed by the Sandbach Branch of the North Staffordshire Railway, would be of public Advantage, and the North Staffordshire Railway Company (herein-after called "the Company") are willing to make such Railways and Canal, and also should it be found expedient the said Enlargements and Improvements if authorized by Parliament so to do: And whereas the Trustees of the late Duke of Bridgewater (herein-after called the Bridgewater Trustees) are interested as Owners of the said Bridgewater Canal, in the said proposed Improvements or Enlargements of the Navigation from the Trent to the Mersey, and it is expedient that they should be authorized to subscribe towards the Cost of such Improvements, and to hold Shares or Stock in the Company in respect of such Subscription, and to raise Money by Mortgage of their own Undertaking, for the Purposes of such Subscription: And whereas Ralph Sneyd Esquire, of Keele Hall in the Parish of Keele in the County of Stafford is or claims to be the Owner of a certain Undertaking in this Act called "Sneyd's Railways," consisting of a Railway in the said Parish of Wolstanton (whereof the Eastern End joins the North Staffordshire Railway), and certain unfinished Extensions thereof in the same Parish, and in the Parish of Audley, respectively mentioned or referred to as Branch Railway No. 1, and Branch Railway No. 2, in Mr. Sneyd's Railway Act, 1861; and it is expedient that the Company should be authorized to purchase or take a Lease of the said Undertaking, and also of a Railway in the said Parishes of Wolstanton and Aulley from the said

said Branch Railway No. 2, to the Works of the North Staffordshire Coal and Iron Company Limited and constructed by that Company: And whereas the Objects aforesaid 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 of the Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

1. "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," "The Lands 8 & 9 Vict. Clauses Consolidation Acts Amendment Act, 1860," "The Railways Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," Part I. of "The Railways Clauses 23 & 24 Vict. Act, 1863," relating to Construction of a Railway, and the Provisions of "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," with respect cc. 92 & 118. to the several Matters following, that is to say, the Distribution of incorporated. the Capital of the Company into Shares, the Transfer or Transmission of Shares, the Payment of Subscriptions, and the Means of enforcing the Payment of Calls, the Forfeiture of Shares for the Nonpayment of Calls, the Remedies of the Creditors of the Company against the Shareholders, the borrowing of Money by the Company on Mortgage or Bond, Conversion of the borrowed Money into Capital, the Consolidation of the Shares into Stock, and the Provision for affording Access to the Special Act, also Parts I., II., and III. of "The Companies Clauses Act, 1863," relating respectively to Cancellation and Surrender of Shares, to additional Capital, and to Debenture Stock, are hereby incorporated with this Act.

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2. In construing the incorporated Acts for the Purposes of this Interpreta-Act and in construing this Act the Words and Expressions herein tion of Terms. mentioned or referred to shall have the Meanings hereby assigned to then respectively, unless there be something in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction; (that is to say,)

The Expression "the Special Act" shall mean this Act;

- The Expression "the Company" or "the Promoters of the Undertaking" shall mean the North Staffordshire Railway Company;
- The Expression "Superior Courts" or "Court of competent Jurisdiction," or any other like Expression shall be read and have effect as if the Debt or Demand with respect to which the Expression is used were a common Simple Contract Debt, and not a Debt or Demand created by Statute;

Other Expressions and Words to which in the incorporated Acts Meanings are assigned shall respectively have the same Meanings in this Act.

3. The Company may make and maintain the following Railways, Power to Capil, and Enlargements or Improvements of Navigation, with all make Works.

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proper Stations, Wharves, Approaches, Works, and Conveniences connected therewith respectively; (that is to say,)

- 1. A Railway (herein-after called "Railway No. 1") commencing in the Parish of Wolstanton in the County of Stafford by a Junction with the Silverdale and Newcastle Railway, and terminating in the Parish of Barthomley in the County of Chester by a Junction with the Crewe Branch of the North Staffordshire Railway:
- 2. A Railway (herein-after called "Railway No. 2") commencing in the Parish of Keele in the County of Stafford, by a Junction with an intended Railway from the Silverdale and Newcastle Railway to the Highway leading from Whitmore to Madeley and terminating in the Parish of Madeley in the same County, by a Junction with Railway No. 1:
- 3. A Railway (herein-after called "Railway No. 3") commencing by a Junction with Railway No. 1 in the Parish of Audley in the County of Stafford and terminating at or near the Highway leading from Audley to Bignall Hill:
- 4. A Railway (herein-after called "Railway No. 4") commencing in the said Parish of Audley by a Junction with Railway No. 1 and terminating in the same Parish by a Junction with the Railway referred to as Railway No. 1 in the Act Twenty-four and Twenty-five Victoria, Chapter Seventy-one:
- 5. A Railway (herein-after called "Railway No. 5") commencing in the Parish of Wolstanton by a Junction with the Railway referred to in the last-mentioned Act as the Railway which at the Eastern End thereof forms a Junction with the North Staffordshire Railway and terminating in the same Parish on the Western Side of the Highway leading from Chesterton to Audley:
- 7. A Railway (herein-after called "Railway No. 7") commencing in the said Parish of Wolstanton by a Junction with the said Pottery Line and terminating in the Parish of Burslem in the County of Stafford on the South Side of Waterloo Road near the Boundary between the Townships of Burslem and Rushton Grange:

8. A short Canal or navigable Cut in the said Parish of Wolstanton, leading out of the Navigation from the Trent to the Mersey:

9. Enlargements and Improvements of the Navigation from the Trent to the Mersey, between its Junction at Preston Brook in the Parish of Runcorn in the County of Chester with the Bridgwater Canal, and terminating in the Parish of Sandbach in the last-mentioned County, at or near the Point where such Navigation is crossed by the Sandbach Branch of the North Staffordshire Railway, or such of the said Enlargements and Improvements, or such Parts thereof only as the Company may find expedient.

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The North Staffordshire Railway (New Works) Act, 1864.

- 4. The Railways, Canal, Improvements, and Works by this Act authorized shall form Part of the Undertaking of the Company.
- 5. And whereas Plans and Sections of the proposed Railways, Canal, and Enlargements respectively, showing the Lines and Levels thereof respectively, and the Lands required for the Purposes of the Undertaking, and also Books of Reference to such Plans, have been Plans. deposited with the Clerks of the Peace of the Counties of Stafford and Chester respectively: Therefore, subject to the Provisions and Powers of Deviation in this Act and the Acts incorporated therewith contained, the said Railways and Canal, and the said Enlargements (if any) shall be made in the Line or within the Limits of Deviation and upon the Lands delineated on the said Plans and described in the said Books of Reference and according to the Levels defined on the said Sections, and it shall be lawful for the Company to enter upon, take, and use all or any of the said Lands which they may require for the Purposes thereof, or for the other Purposes of the Undertaking.

6. In carrying the following Roads over, under, or across the Power to Railway, the Company may alter the Levels of such Roads, but so as Levels of not to exceed the respective Rates of Inclination herein-after speci- Roads. fied; (that is to say,)

alter certain

Railway.	Description of Road.	of Road. Number on Plan.		Rate of Inclination allowed.	
Railway No. 1.	Public Highway - Public Highway - Public Highway -	33 76 232	Keele - Audley - Audley -	l in 10. l in 14. l in 15 on one Side of the Bridge and level on the other.	

1. Notwithstanding anything in "The Railways Clauses Con- Power to solidation Act, 1845," contained to the contrary, the Company may make the Arches of the Bridges for carrying the Railway over the public Roads numbered as follows on the deposited Plans of the Divensions herein-after set forth, but not of less Dimensions; (that is to say,)

make certain Arches of Bridges of specified Dimensions.

Railway.	Description of Road.	No. on Plan.	Name of Parish.	Span.	Height.
Rail ay No. 1. Rail No. 2.	Public Highway Public Highway Turnpike Road Public Highway Turnpike Road -	58 178 11 6	Madeley - Audley - Audley - Barthomley Keele -	20 Feet 20 Feet 20 Feet 30 Feet	15 Feet.
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Powers for compulsory. Purchases limited.

8. The Powers of the Company for the compulsory Purchase of Lands for the Purposes of this Act shall not be exercised after the Expiration of Three Years from the passing of this Act.

Lands for extraordinary Purposes.

9. The Company may from Time to Time purchase by Agreement such Lands as they may require for any of the extraordinary Purposes specified in "The Railways Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," in connexion with the Railways by this Act authorized, not exceeding in the whole Three Acres.

Period for Completion of Works.

10. The Railways by this Act authorized shall be completed within Four Years from the passing of this Act, and on the Expiration of such Period the Powers by this Act granted to the Company for executing the said Railways, or otherwise in relation thereto, shall cease to be exercised, except as to so much thereof as shall then be completed.

If Railways not completed, &c., within a limited Period, Company to be liable to a Penalty.

11. If the Railways by this Act authorized to be constructed shall not be completed and opened for public Traffic within the Period of Four Years from the passing of this Act, then and from thenceforth the Company shall be liable to a Penalty of Fifty Pounds per Day, to be recoverable as a Debt due to the Crown for every Day thereafter until the Railways shall be completed and opened for public Traffic, but no Penalty shall accrue in respect of any Time during which it shall appear by a Certificate to be obtained from the Board of Trade that the Company were prevented from completing or opening the Railways or any of them by unforeseen Accident or Circumstances beyond their Control; but the Want of sufficient Funds shall not be held to be a Circumstance beyond the Control of the Company.

Railway Tolls. 12. The Company may demand and take in respect of the Railways by this Act authorized such Tolls and Charges as they think fit, not exceeding the Rates of Toll and Charge authorized to be taken on the North Staffordshire Railway, and in estimating the Amount of Toll or Charge in respect of any Traffic conveyed partly on any Railway by this Act authorized and partly on any other Railway of the Company, the Railway by this Act authorized and such other Railway shall be deemed One Railway, as if authorized by "The North Staffordshire Railway Act, 1847."

The Canal and Enlargements to be subject as to Repairs, &c.

13. The Canal Enlargements and Improvements of the Navigation from the *Trent* to the *Mersey*, and other Works connected therewith hereby respectively authorized which shall be made under the Authority of this Act, shall at all Times be and remain subject to the same

or the like Provisions and Regulations as to the Repairs, Maintenance, and proper and regular Supply of Water thereto as are provided and set forth in the 24th and 25th Sections of "The North Staffordshire c. eviii. Railway Act, 1847," in reference to the Trent and Mersey Navigation, and the several Works connected therewith, and then forming a Part of the Undertaking of the Company.

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14. The Company shall not be authorized or entitled to charge or demand in respect of the Canal Enlargements and Improvements hereby authorized, which shall be made under the Authority of this Act, or the Works and Conveniences connected therewith, any other Mileage or other Tolls, Rates, or Charges than the Tolls, Rates, and Charges authorized by the said "North Staffordshire Railway Act, 1847," as amended by this Act, or than such Tolls, Rates, or Charges as would have been chargeable thereon or payable in respect thereof, had the Canal Enlargements, Improvements, and Works hereby authorized, which shall be so made as aforesaid, formed Part of the Company's original Canal between Preston Brook and Great Heywood at the Time of the passing of "The North Staffordshire Railway Act, 1847."

charge in respect of Canal and Enlargement the same Tolls, &c. as in 10 & 11 Vict. c. eviii.

15. The Canal Enlargements and Improvements hereby autho- Certain rized, which shall be made under the Authority of this Act, so far as they may unite with the Canal of the Trustees under the Will of Satisfaction the late Duke of Bridgewater, shall be executed and completed to the reasonable Satisfaction of the same Trustees, or of their principal Trustees. Engineer for the Time being, and in the Execution thereof the Company shall not stop up, interrupt, or in anywise impede or prejudice the Canal, Towing-path, or Works of the said Trustees, or the Navigation or Use thereof.

Works to be completed to of Bridgewater

16. From and after the passing of this Act it shall not be lawful As to Tolls for the Company to demand, receive, or recover, for or in respect of the Passage or Conveyance along the Trent and Mersey Navigation, or any Part thereof, or along any Canal or Part of a Canal belonging to them, of any Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Articles, Matters, or Things, which shall have passed from or shall be intended to pass into that Part of the said Macclesfield Canal which belongs to the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company, any higher Rate, Toll, or Charge in the whole than they shall at the Time be authorized to demand or receive and shall actually demand and receive in respect of Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Articles, Matters, and Things of a similar Description passing or conveyed along the same Parts of the Trent and Mersey Navigation, and which last mentioned Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Articles, Matters, and Things

on Traffic passing from or into Macclesfield Canal.

Things shall have passed from or be intended to pass into the Duke of Bridgewater's Canal.

Facilities to such Traffic.

17. Upon Payment of the Tolls and Charges of right demanded by the Company in respect of the Passage or Conveyance along the said Trent and Mersey Navigation and the said Portion of the Macclesfield Canal belonging to them as aforesaid, of any Traffic running from or going to the Portion of the Macclesfield Canal belonging to the said Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company, all such and the same Facilities and Accommodations shall be afforded by the Company in the Use of the said Navigation and Portion of Canal so belonging to them, for expediting and facilitating the Passage of such Traffic, as they shall at the Time afford to any other Traffic passing along the same Parts of the said Navigation and Portion of Canal as aforesaid.

Canal Tolls on Earthenware, &c. 18. From and after the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and sixty-five and the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight respectively it shall not be lawful for the Company to charge for the Articles herein-after specified conveyed upon the Trent and Mersey Navigation any higher Rate of Toll than the respective Rates herein-after set forth, anything in the Acts relating to the said Navigation or the Company contained to the contrary notwithstanding; (that is to say,) from and after the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and sixty-five:

Rate per Ton per Mile.

Earthenware - - One Penny Farthing.

Potters raw Materials - Three Farthings.

Pig Iron - - Three Farthings.

Calcined Iron Ore - - - Five Eighths of a Penny.

And from and after the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight:

Rate per Ton per Mile.

Earthenware - One Penny.

Potters raw Materials - One Halfpenny.

Provision as to Terminal Charges.

19. Besides the Rates per Mile which the Company are authorized to charge for the Conveyance of Goods or Minerals on their Railways or Canals, they may charge for such Terminal Services as are performed by them such reasonable Sum only as may be from Time to Time agreed upon between the Company and the Person sending or receiving Goods, Minerals, or other Articles of Traffic, or, failing Agreement, as may be settled by Arbitration under "The Railway Companies Arbitration Act, 1859."

Provision for Haulage of Boats 20. Whereas the Preston Brook, the Barnton, and the Saltersford, and One of the Harecastle Tunnels, forming Part of the Navigation from

from the Trent to the Mersey, are respectively narrow, not admitting of the passing of Two Boats at any One Point, nor the Haulage of Certain Boats therein by Horses, and all Boats have heretofore been propelled through the same by means of the Legs of Persons passing in the same Boats: And whereas such Mode of Propulsion is found to be attended with Delay, Inconvenience, and Danger, which may be avoided by the Use of properly constructed Steam or other Tugs or fixed Machinery; and the Company are willing to supply such Tugs or Machinery for public Use at all proper and reasonable Times by Day and by Night, and under proper Regulations, provided they are authorized to make reasonable Charges for the Use of the same, and Parties are prohibited from resorting to the present Mode of Propulsion: Therefore, it shall be lawful for the Company to provide such Steam or other Tug or fixed Machiney, and to charge for the Haulage of Boats through the Preston Brook Tunnel, through the Barnton and Saltersford Tunnels, and the intermediate Part of the Navigation between such last-mentioned Tunnels, and also through the Harecastle Tunnel by means thereof, Sums not exceeding the following; (that is to say,)

Tunnels.

	For Haulage through the Preston Brook Tunnel.	For Haulage through the Barnton and Saltersford Tunnel and intermediate Part of the Navigation.	For Haulage through the Harecastic Tunnel.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
For each Boat, either empty or with a Lading not exceeding 5 Tons For each Boat, not exceeding 7 Feet	0 2	0 .2	0 2
3 Inches Beam, with a Lading exceed- ing 5 Tons and not exceeding 22 Tons For each Boat, not exceeding 7 Feet	0 3	0 3	0 3
3 Inches Beam, with a Lading exceed- ing 22 Tons and not exceeding 30 Tons For each Boat, not exceeding 7 Feet	0 6	. 0 6	0 6
3 Toches Beam, with a Lading exceed-	0 9	0 9	0 9
For each Boat, exceeding 7 Feet 3 Inches Bean, with a Lading exceeding 5 Tons	1 0	1 0	1 0

And it shall not be lawful for any Person without the Consent of the Company, so long as the Company shall provide such Tugs or fixed Machinery, which shall at all Times as aforesaid be available for the Purpose, to take through the same Tunnels any Boat except by means of Steam Power: Provided always, that it shall not be lawful for the Company to charge any Sum for Haulage where the Company are themselves the Carriers.

[Local.]

Power to Company to raise Capital by Shares or Stock.

21. The Company, with the Consent of Three Fifths of the Votes of the Shareholders present, in person or by proxy, at any General Meeting or General Meetings convened with Special Notice of the Purpose, may raise by the Creation of new Ordinary or Preference Shares or Stock in their Undertaking, in addition to any other Sums which they may be authorized to raise by other Acts of Parliament, any further Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole Two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds.

Shares or Stock to form Part of Company's General Capital.

- Shares not to issue until One Fifth Part paid up.
- 22. All Shares or Stock to be created by the Company under the Authority of this Act shall, subject to the Provisions of this Act, form Part of the General Capital of the Company.
- 23. It shall not be lawful for the Company to issue any Share or Stock to be created under the Powers of this Act, nor shall any such Share or Stock vest in the Person accepting the same unless and until a Sum, not being less than One Fifth Part of the Amount of such Share or Sum of Stock issued, shall have been paid up in respect thereof.

Capital Acts may be raised by Shares or Class.

24. If by any other Act or Acts passed in the present Session underseveral of Parliament, and whether before or after the passing of this Act, the Company be authorized to raise any Capital by new Shares or Stock, then, subject to the Provisions of the other Act or Acts and Stock of One this Act respectively, the Company, if they think fit, may raise, by the Creation and Issue of Shares or Stock of one and the same Class, all or any Part of the aggregate Capital which they are by the other Act or Acts and this Act respectively authorized to raise by the Creation and Issue of Shares or Stock.

Power to borrow on Mortgage.

25. The Company, in addition to any Sums which they are authorized to borrow under other Acts of Parliament, may from Time to Time borrow on Mortgage such Sums as they think fit, not exceeding in the whole Eighty-three thousand three hundred Pounds, but no Part of that Money shall be borrowed until the whole of the said additional Capital of Two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds shall have been subscribed for $b_0 n\hat{a}$ fide and issued, and One Half of that Amount shall have been actually paid up, nor until the Company shall have proved to the Justice who is to certify under the Fortieth Section of "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," (before he so certifies,) that all the said additional Capital of Two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds has been subscribed for bona fide and issued, and that not less than One Fifth of the Amount of each Share or Sum of Stock was paid on Issue of the same, and that all such Shares and Sums of Stock are

are held by the Subscribers or their Assigns, and that such Subscribers or their Assigns are legally liable for the same (of which Proofs having been given the Certificate of such Justice under that Section shall be sufficient Evidence).

26. All Mortgages of the Company granted before the passing Priority of of this Act, and which shall be in force at the Time of the passing existing of this Act, shall as regards the Undertaking comprised in and Mortgages. assigned by such Mortgages, have Priority over all Mortgages granted by virtue of this Act.

27. The Company may create and issue Debenture Stock.

Debenture Stock.

28. All Money raised under the Powers of this Act by the Application Creation of new Shares or Stock or on Mortgage shall be applied in the first instance to the Purposes by this Act authorized, and, subject Act. thereto, shall be applicable to the Purposes authorized by the other Acts relating to the Company.

of Money

29. It shall not be lawful for the Company out of any Money by Interest not this Act or any other Acts relating to the Company authorized to be to be paid on Calls paid raised by Calls in respect of Shares or by the Exercise of any Power up. of borrowing, to pay to any Shareholder any Interest or Dividend on the Amount of the Calls made in respect of the Shares held by him in the Capital by this Act authorized to be raised: Provided that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent the Company from paying to any Shareholder such Interest on Money advanced by him beyond the Amount of the Calls actually made as shall be in conformity with the Provisions in "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," in that Behalf contained.

30. It shall not be lawful for the Company, out of any Money Deposits for by this Act or any other Acts relating to the Company authorized future Bills to be raised for the Purposes of such Act or Acts, to pay or deposit not to be paid out of any Sum of Money which, by any Standing Order of either House Capital. of Parliament in force for the Time being, may be required to be deposited in respect of any Application to Parliament for the Purpose of obtaining an Act authorizing the Company to construct any Railway, or execute any other Work or Undertaking.

31. The Bridgewater Trustees may contribute out of the Funds Bridgewater of the Trust such Sum as they think fit towards the Navigation, Trustees Enlargements, and Improvements by this Act authorized, and may take and hold Shares or Stock in the Capital by this Act authorized to be raised by the Company, not exceeding the Amount of such Subscription.

may subscribe to the Canal and take Shares or Stock of the

32. The Company.

Trustees may raise the Amount of their Subscription by Mortgage, but former Mortgages to have Priority.

32. The Bridgewater Trustees may raise the Amount of their Subscription or any Part thereof by Mortgage of the Property comprised in their Trust in like Manner and subject to the same Provisions with respect to the Repayment of the Monies borrowed and otherwise, as they are by the Act passed in the Session of Parliament held in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act to enable the Trustees of the Will of the Most Noble Francis late Duke of Bridgewater to make Conveyances in Fee or Demises for long Terms of Years of his Trust Estates, and more effectually to administer the Trusts of the Will of the said Duke, authorized to raise Money by Mortgage for the Purposes thereof, but all Mortgages granted by them before the passing of this Act shall, so far as relates to the Property charged by such Mortgages, have Priority over all Mortgages granted by them under the Authority of this Act.

Moneyraised by Mortgage to be deemed Trust, and Shares or Stock to be .. held upon same Trust as Canals.

33. All Money raised by the Bridgewater Trustees by Mortgage under the Powers of this Act shall for the Purposes of this Act be Funds of the deemed Funds of the Trust, and all Shares or Stock of the Company which such Trustees may take and hold in respect of their Subscription under the Powers of this Act, shall be held by them upon and subject to the same Trusts as the Bridgewater Canal, and the Interest and Dividends of such Shares shall be applicable in the same Manner as the Receipts and Profits from the said Canal.

Power to purchase or lease Sneyd's Railways and Railway to North Company's Works.

34. The Company, with the Consent of Three Fifths of the Votes of the Shareholders present, in person or by proxy, at any General Meeting or General Meetings of the Company may purchase or accept and take a Lease of the Undertaking in this Act described as Sneyd's Railways, and also of the Railway therefrom to the Works of the Staffordshire North Staffordshire Coal and Iron Company (Limited), or either of Coal and Iron them, upon such Terms and Conditions, and (in the Case of a Lease) for such Term and upon such Rents, Covenants, and Conditions as may be mutually agreed upon between the Company and the said Ralph Sneyd or other the Owner for the Time being of the said Undertaking, so far as relates to such Undertaking, and between the Company and the North Staffordshire Coal and Iron Company (Limited) or other the Owner for the Time being of the said Railway therefrom to the Works of the last-mentioned Company, so far as relates to the said Railway.

After Purchase, &c., Railway to form Part of, Company's Undertaking, &c.

35. From and after the Day when the Company shall enter into possession of the said Undertaking or Railway by virtue of such Purchase or Lease, and (in the Case of a Lease) so long as such Lease shall continue, the said Undertaking or Railway shall be deemed Part of the Undertaking of the Company, and the Acts relating to the said Under-

Undertaking shall apply to the Company in like Manner as but for the passing of this Act they would have applied to the said Ralph Sneyd, or other the Parties described as "the Undertakers" in the said Acts, and the Company may have and exercise all or any Powers of the said Ralph Sneyd, or which he may grant or confer with respect to the said. Undertaking and the Completion thereof.

36. Nothing in this Act contained shall take away, diminish, alter, prejudice, or injuriously affect any of the Rights, Privileges, Powers, or Authorities vested in or enjoyed by the Trustees under the Will of Trustees. the late Duke of Bridgewater under any Act or Acts of Parliament now in force or otherwise.

Saving Rights of Bridgewater

37. Nothing in this Act contained shall be held or construed to authorize the Company to take any Lands belonging to the Trustees of the River Weaver Navigation, or any Lands over which those Trustees have a Right to make a Towing-path, without the Consent of those Trustees, specified in Writing under the Hand of their Clerk, Trustees. first had and obtained.

Company not to take certain Lands without Consent of River Weaver

38. If and whenever the Company, in execution of any of the Company to Works by this Act authorized, or in exercise of any of the Powers of Tepair Damage done this Act, injure or damage the River Weaver, or any Part of the to the River Banks or Beds or Towing-paths thereof respectively, or any other of Weaver. the Works belonging thereto or connected therewith, they shall immediately repair and make good the Injury or Damage, and shall also pay to the Trustees of the said River the full Amount of all Loss or Damage, if any, which they thereby sustain.

39. If and whenever by reason of any Default of the Company Penalty in in performing or observing any of the Provisions of this Act, any Vessel navigating the River Weaver cannot pass along the same, or is obstructed in its Passage, the Company shall pay to the Trustees Navigation. of the said River, as liquidated Damages for such Interference with the Navigation, Two hundred Pounds for every Day the Interference continues, and so in proportion for any Time less than a Day; and if and whenever the Company make default in Payment to the Trustees the Amount of any Expense, Loss, or Damage to be under this Act paid to them by the Company, the Trustees may recover the Amount thereof, with full Costs of Suit, from the Company in any Court of competent Jurisdiction.

stopping River Weaver

40. Nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed or construed Railways to exempt the Railways by this Act authorized to be made from the not exempt from Pro-Provisions of any General Act relating to Railways now in force or visions of which may hereafter pass during this or any future Session of Par- present and [Local.] 52 Pliament,

future General Acts. liament, or from any future Revision and Alteration, under the Authority of Parliament, of the maximum Rates of Fares and Charges and of the Rates for small Parcels authorized by this Act.

Expenses of Act.

41. The Costs and Charges of applying for and obtaining this Act, and incidental thereto, shall be paid by the Company.

Short Title.

42. This Act may for any Purpose be cited as "The North Staffordshire Railway (New Works) Act, 1864."

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