



## CHAPTER lxxxiv.

An Act for incorporating the Uckfield Water Company and conferring powers on them for the construction of works the supply of Water and for other purposes.

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[5th July 1888.]

**W**HEREAS the parish of Uckfield in the county of Sussex is at present inadequately supplied with water and it is expedient that provisions be made for affording an adequate supply of pure and wholesome water for the purposes of the inhabitants thereof:

And whereas the persons in that behalf in this Act named with others are willing at their own expense to undertake the supply of water in the said parish on being incorporated into a Company with adequate powers for the purpose and it is expedient that they be incorporated accordingly and authorised to construct waterworks as by this Act provided and that such other powers as are in this Act contained be conferred on the Company for the better and more effectually carrying the purposes of the undertaking into effect:

And whereas plans and sections showing the lines situations and levels of the works authorised by this Act and also books of reference to the plans containing the names of the owners and lessees or reputed owners and lessees and of the occupiers of the lands required or which may be taken for the purposes or under the powers of this Act were duly deposited with the clerk of the peace for the county of Sussex and are hereinafter respectively referred to as the deposited plans sections and books of reference:

And whereas the objects 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 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. This Act may be cited as the Uckfield Water Act 1888.

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Incorporation of general Acts.

2. The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 and Part I. (relating to cancellation and surrender of shares) and Part III. (relating to debenture stock) of the Companies Clauses Act 1863 the Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts 1845 1860 and 1869 as amended by the Lands Clauses (Umpire) Act 1883 the Waterworks Clauses Act 1847 which for the purposes of this Act shall be read as if the words "with the consent in writing of the owner or reputed owner of any such house or of the agent of such owner" were omitted from section 44 the Waterworks Clauses Act 1863 and the provisions of the Railways Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 with respect to the temporary occupation of lands near the railway during the construction thereof are (except where expressly varied by this Act) incorporated with and form part of this Act Provided that the incorporated provisions of the Railways Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 shall apply only to the reservoir by this Act authorised.

Interpretation of terms.

3. In this Act the several words and expressions to which meanings are assigned by the Acts wholly or partially incorporated herewith have the same respective meanings unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction :

The expression "the Company" means the Company incorporated by this Act ;

The expressions "the waterworks" and "the undertaking" respectively mean and include the waterworks and the works connected therewith and the undertaking by this Act authorised ;

And for the purposes of this Act the expression "railway" in the provisions of the Railways Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 incorporated with this Act means the reservoir by this Act authorised and the expression "centre of the railway" in those provisions means any part of such reservoir and the prescribed limits shall be fifty yards measured in a northerly and easterly direction from any part of such reservoir ;

And the expression "superior courts" or "court of competent jurisdiction" or any other like expression in this Act or any Act wholly or partially incorporated herewith shall be read and have effect as if the debt or demand with respect to which the expression is used were a simple contract debt and not a debt or demand created by statute.

Limits of Act.

4. The limits of this Act for the supply of water shall be the parish of Uckfield in the county of Sussex Provided that if in the said parish the Company shall not have made adequate provision for the supply of water within six years after the passing of this Act the restriction on the construction of waterworks by a local authority imposed by section fifty-two of the Public

Health Act 1875 shall not in respect of the Company apply to or be binding on the local authority (as defined by that Act) of such parish. A.D. 1888.

**5.** Richard James Streatfeild John Ansell Day and all other persons and corporations who have already subscribed to or shall hereafter become proprietors in the undertaking and their executors administrators successors and assigns respectively shall be and are hereby united into a Company for the purposes hereinafter mentioned and for other the purposes of this Act and for those purposes shall be and are hereby incorporated by the name of the Uckfield Water Company and by that name shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and with power to purchase take hold and dispose of lands and other property for the purposes of this Act. Company incorporated.

**6.** The Company shall be established for the purpose of making and maintaining the waterworks and for supplying water within the limits of this Act and for carrying on the business usually carried on by water companies and generally for carrying the powers of this Act into execution. General purposes of the Company.

**7.** The capital of the Company shall be five thousand pounds in five hundred shares of ten pounds each. Capital and number and amount of shares.

**8.** The Company shall not issue any share created under the authority of this Act nor shall any such share vest in the person or corporation accepting the same unless and until a sum not being less than one-fifth of the amount of such share is paid in respect thereof. Shares not to be issued until one-fifth part thereof shall have been paid up.

**9.** One-fifth of the amount of a share shall be the greatest amount of a call and two months at the least shall be the interval between successive calls and three-fourths of the amount of a share shall be the utmost aggregate amount of the calls made in any year upon any share. Calls.

**10.** If any money is payable to a shareholder being a minor idiot or lunatic the receipt of the guardian or committee of his estate shall be a sufficient discharge to the Company. Receipts in case of persons not sui juris.

**11.** The Company may from time to time borrow on mortgage of the undertaking any sum not exceeding in the whole one thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but no part thereof shall be borrowed until the whole capital of five thousand pounds is issued and accepted and one-half thereof is paid up and the Company 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 the whole of such capital has been issued and Power to borrow.

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As to conversion of borrowed money into capital.

**12.** The Company shall not have power to raise the money by this Act authorised to be borrowed on mortgage or any part thereof by the creation of shares or stock instead of borrowing or to convert into capital the amount borrowed under the provisions of this Act unless in either case all dividends upon the shares or stock whether ordinary or preferential are limited to a rate not exceeding five pounds per centum per annum.

For appointment of a receiver.

**13.** The mortgagees of the undertaking may enforce payment of arrears of interest or principal or principal and interest due on their mortgages by the appointment of a receiver In order to authorise the appointment of a receiver in respect of arrears of principal the amount owing to the mortgagees by whom the application for a receiver is made shall not be less than two hundred pounds in the whole.

Power to create debenture stock.

**14.** The Company may create and issue debenture stock subject to the provisions of Part III. of the Companies Clauses Act 1863 but notwithstanding anything therein contained the interest of all debenture stock and of all mortgages at any time created and issued or granted by the Company under this or any subsequent Act shall subject to the provisions of any subsequent Act rank *pari passu* (without respect to the dates of the securities or of the Acts of Parliament or resolutions by which such stock or mortgages shall have been authorised) and shall have priority over all principal moneys secured by such mortgages.

Notice of the effect of this enactment shall be stated or endorsed on all mortgages and certificates of debenture stock.

Moneys borrowed on mortgage or debenture stock to have priority.

**15.** All moneys raised or to be raised by the Company on mortgage or debenture stock under the provisions of this Act shall have priority against the Company and the property from time to time of the Company over all other claims on account of any debts incurred or engagements entered into by them after the passing

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of this Act Provided always that this priority shall not affect any claim against the Company or their property in respect of any rent-charge granted or to be granted by them in pursuance of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 or the Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts Amendment Act 1860 or in respect of any rent or sum reserved by or payable under any lease granted or made to the Company in pursuance of any Act relating to the Company which is entitled to rank in priority to or *pari passu* with the interest on their mortgages or debenture stock nor shall anything in this section contained affect any claim for land taken used or occupied by the Company for the purposes of their undertaking or works or injuriously affected by the construction thereof or by the exercise of any powers conferred on the Company.

16. All moneys raised under this Act whether by shares debenture stock or borrowing shall be applied only for the purposes of this Act to which capital is properly applicable.

Application of moneys.

17. The first ordinary meeting of the Company shall be held within six months after the passing of this Act and the subsequent ordinary meetings of the Company shall be held twice in every year in the months of February or March and August or September as the directors may appoint.

First and subsequent meetings.

18. The number of the directors shall be three.

Number of directors.

19. The qualification of a director shall be the possession in his own right of not less than twenty shares.

Qualification of directors.

20. The quorum of a meeting of directors shall be three.

Quorum of directors.

21. Richard James Streatfeild John Ansell Day and one other person to be nominated by them and consenting to such nomination shall be the first directors of the Company and shall continue in office until the first ordinary meeting held after the passing of this Act At that meeting the shareholders present in person or by proxy may either continue in office the directors appointed by this Act or nominated as aforesaid or any of them or may elect a new body of directors or directors to supply the places of those not continued in office the directors appointed by this Act or nominated as aforesaid being if qualified eligible for re-election and at the first ordinary meeting to be held in every year after the first ordinary meeting the shareholders present in person or by proxy shall elect persons to supply the places of the directors then retiring from office agreeably to the provisions of the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 and the several persons elected at any such meeting being neither removed nor disqualified nor having died or resigned shall continue to be directors until others are elected in their stead in manner provided by the same Act.

First directors.

Election of directors.

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Auditors  
need not hold  
shares.Power to  
take lands.Power to  
make water-  
works.

**22.** It shall not be necessary for the auditors appointed by the Company to hold shares in the capital of the Company.

**23.** Subject to the provisions and for the purposes of this Act the Company may enter upon take and use all or any of the lands defined on the deposited plans and described in the deposited books of reference.

**24.** Subject to the provisions of this Act the Company may make and maintain in the lines and according to the levels shown on the deposited plans and sections and in and upon the lands described upon such plans the works hereinafter described and may do the things by this Act authorised. The works hereinbefore referred to and by this Act authorised to be made and maintained and the things by this Act authorised to be done comprise the following works and things (that is to say):—

- (a) A well and pumping station to be situate in the said parish of Uckfield in the north-western portion of a field lying and being on the eastern side of King's Head Lane and the southern side of Brown's Lane and adjoining those lanes at or near the junction thereof and numbered 251 on the  $\frac{1}{2500}$  Ordnance map of the said parish of Uckfield.
- (b) A service reservoir to be situate in the parish of Buxted in the said county in a field lying and being on the north side of and adjoining Brown's Lane and numbered 1334 on the  $\frac{1}{2500}$  Ordnance map of the said parish of Buxted at or near the southern boundary of the said field and one hundred and seventy yards or thereabouts (measured in an easterly direction) from the point where the said Brown's Lane joins the high road from Uckfield to Maresfield and twenty-three yards or thereabouts (measured in a northerly direction) from Brown's Lane.
- (c) An aqueduct conduit or line of pipes commencing at the well and pumping station by this Act authorised and terminating in the reservoir by this Act authorised and to be wholly situate in the said parishes of Uckfield and Buxted.
- (d) All necessary and proper embankments walls filtering-beds softening-tanks dams drains sluices catchpits conduits culverts channels bye-washes weirs wells standpipes tanks engines buildings mains pipes machinery appliances roads approaches and other works and conveniences.
- (e) The taking collecting diverting impounding appropriating and using the waters of all or any of the underground springs streams and waters which can or may be taken collected or abstracted by means of the waterworks or as may be found in or under any of the lands to be acquired under the powers of this Act.

**25.** In making the works by this Act authorised the Company may deviate laterally from the lines thereof shown on the deposited plans to any extent within the limits of deviation shown or defined thereon and where the line of any work is shown upon those plans as passing along any road and no limits of lateral deviation are marked on the deposited plans the Company may in making such work deviate laterally to any extent within the boundaries of such road and the Company may also deviate from the levels of the works by this Act authorised as delineated on the deposited sections to any extent not exceeding five feet Provided always that the Company shall not in the exercise of the powers of lateral deviation hereby conferred upon them construct any embankment or wall of the reservoir by this Act authorised of a greater height above the general surface of the ground than the height thereof shown on the deposited sections and three feet in addition thereto.

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Deviation.

**26.** 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 after the passing of this Act.

Period for compulsory purchase of lands.

**27.** In addition to the lands which the Company are by this Act authorised to purchase compulsorily they may for any of the purposes of this Act from time to time by agreement purchase in fee any additional quantity of land not exceeding in the whole five acres or any easement or right (not being an easement or right of water) in or over such additional lands which they may from time to time think requisite for any of the purposes of the undertaking Provided that the Company shall not on any such lands erect or authorise or permit the erection of any buildings other than buildings connected with or necessary for their undertaking.

Power to acquire additional lands by agreement.

**28.** The Company shall not under the powers of this Act without the consent of the Local Government Board purchase or acquire in any city borough or other urban sanitary district or in any parish or part of a parish not being within an urban sanitary district ten or more houses which after the passing of this Act have been or on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers.

Provision as to labouring class houses.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" includes 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 of such persons who may be residing with them.

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Period for  
completion  
of works.

**29.** If the works authorised by this Act and shown on the deposited plans are not completed within five years from the passing of this Act then on the expiration of that period the powers by this Act granted to the Company for executing the same or in relation thereto shall cease to be exercised except as to so much thereof as is then completed but nothing herein shall restrict the Company from extending enlarging altering or renewing any of their engines machinery mains or pipes from time to time as occasion requires for supplying water within the limits of this Act.

Power to  
take ease-  
ments &c.  
by agree-  
ment.

**30.** Persons empowered by the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 to sell and convey or release lands may if they think fit subject to the provisions of that Act and of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts Amendment Act 1860 and of this Act grant to the Company any easement right or privilege (not being an easement of water) 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 rent-charges 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.

Reservation  
of water  
rights &c.  
on sale.

**31.** On the sale by the Company of any lands they may reserve to themselves all or any part of the water or water rights or other easements belonging thereto and may make the sale subject to such reservations accordingly and may also make any such sale subject to such other reservations special conditions restrictions and provisions with respect to use of water exercise of noxious trades or discharge or deposit of manure sewage or other impure matter as they think fit.

Constant  
supply and  
pressure.

**32.** The water to be supplied by the Company shall be constantly laid on under pressure but the Company shall not be required to supply water in any case at a pressure greater than that to be afforded by gravitation from the service reservoir from which the supply is taken.

Rate at  
which water  
is to be sup-  
plied for  
domestic  
purposes.

**33.** The Company shall on the application of any person who under the provisions of this Act shall be entitled to demand a supply of water for domestic purposes furnish to such owner or occupier or other person a sufficient supply of water for domestic purposes at rates not exceeding the rates hereinafter specified according to the rateable value of the dwelling-house or part of a dwelling-house so supplied (that is to say):—

Where the rateable value of the premises so supplied with water shall not exceed eight pounds at a rate not exceeding two pence per week;

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Where such rateable value shall exceed eight pounds and shall not exceed twenty pounds at a rate per centum per annum not exceeding eight pounds ten shillings;

Where such rateable value shall exceed twenty pounds and shall not exceed forty pounds at a rate per centum per annum not exceeding eight pounds;

Where such rateable value shall exceed forty pounds and shall not exceed sixty pounds at a rate per centum per annum not exceeding seven pounds ten shillings;

Where such rateable value shall exceed sixty pounds and shall not exceed eighty pounds at a rate per centum per annum not exceeding six pounds ten shillings;

Where such rateable value shall exceed eighty pounds and shall not exceed one hundred pounds at a rate per centum per annum not exceeding six pounds five shillings;

Where such rateable value shall exceed one hundred pounds at a rate per centum per annum not exceeding six pounds:

In addition to the rates computed as above specified the Company may charge for a supply of water to every water-closet beyond the first the sum of five shillings per annum and to every bath the sum of ten shillings per annum.

Rates for  
water-closets  
and private  
baths.

For the purposes of this section the rateable value shall be the rateable value as ascertained by the valuation list in force at the commencement of the quarter in which the water rate accrues or if there is no such list in force by the last rate made for the relief of the poor. Provided that where the water rate is chargeable on the rateable value of a part only of any hereditament entered in the valuation list or poor rate such rateable value shall be a fairly apportioned part of the rateable value of the whole hereditament ascertained as aforesaid the apportionment in case of dispute to be determined by two justices.

**34.** The Company shall not be compelled to supply with water any water-closet or any bath or the apparatus or pipes connected therewith respectively unless the same be so constructed and used as to prevent the waste undue consumption or contamination of the water of the Company nor any bath which shall be capable of containing when filled for use more than fifty gallons of water.

For pre-  
venting the  
fouling of  
water.

**35.** Subject to the provisions of this Act the Company may supply water for other than domestic purposes on such terms and conditions as the Company think fit and may enter into agreements for the supply of water by measure either for domestic or other purposes. Provided that such supply for other than domestic purposes do not interfere with the supply for domestic purposes.

Power to  
Company to  
supply  
water for  
other than  
domestic  
purposes.

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Regulations  
for prevent-  
ing waste of  
water.

**36.** For the purpose of preventing the waste or misuse or contamination of water the Company may from time to time by regulations prescribe the size nature materials workmanship and strength of the pipes cocks ferrules valves soil-pans water-closets baths cisterns and other apparatus or receptacles whatsoever to be used and may forbid any arrangements and the use of the several things before mentioned or any or either of them which may lead to such waste or misuse or contamination.

Confirmation  
of regula-  
tions.

**37.** No such regulations shall be of any force or effect unless and until the same shall have been submitted to and confirmed by the Local Government Board which Board is hereby empowered to confirm the same And no such regulations shall be confirmed until after the expiration of one month after notice in writing of the intention to submit the same for confirmation together with a copy of the proposed regulations shall have been given by or on behalf of the Company to the local authorities within the limits of supply who may within the said period of one month make such representation with reference thereto to the Local Government Board as such authorities shall think expedient and during such period a copy of the proposed regulations shall be kept at the office of the Company and be open during office hours to the inspection of all persons locally interested without fee or reward and a copy thereof or extracts therefrom shall be furnished to such persons by the Company on payment of six pence for every one hundred words contained in such copy or extract.

Publication  
of regula-  
tions.

**38.** All such regulations in force for the time being shall be published by a copy thereof being kept at the office of the Company All persons may at all reasonable times inspect such copy without payment and the Company shall cause to be delivered a printed copy of all regulations for the time being in force to every person applying for the same on payment of a sum not exceeding six pence for each copy.

Evidence of  
regulations.

**39.** A printed copy of any such regulations as aforesaid and purporting to be made as aforesaid and to have been confirmed by the Local Government Board shall be evidence until the contrary is proved in all legal proceedings of the due making confirmation publication and existence of such regulations without further or other proof.

For enforce-  
ing regula-  
tions.

**40.** In the event of any such regulations not being complied with by any person being or about to become a customer of the Company the Company may if they think fit after forty-eight hours' notice in writing and after obtaining an order of two justices enter between the hours of nine in the forenoon and four in the afternoon

and by or under the direction of their duly authorised officer repair replace or alter any pipe cock ferrule valve soil-pan water-closet bath cistern or other apparatus or other receptacle belonging to or used or intended to be used by such customer or intending customer and the expense of every such repair replacement or alteration shall be repaid to the Company by such customer or intending customer and may be recovered by them as water rent is recoverable. A.D. 1888.

41. Any person who shall offend against any such regulations shall (without prejudice to any other right or remedy for the protection of the Company or punishment of the offender) be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for each offence and to a further daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings for each day or part of a day such offence shall occur after conviction thereof and the Company may in addition thereto recover the amount of any damages sustained by them. Penalty for infringement of regulations.

42. In the event of any dispute between the Company and any customer or intending customer as to the fact or extent of any alleged non-compliance with any such regulations such dispute shall be referred to the determination of two justices whose decision thereon and as to the amount of costs (if any) of or incident to such dispute and the determination thereof and by whom such costs are to be paid shall be final and conclusive. Disputes to be determined by justices.

43. The Company's agent or other officer duly appointed in writing for the purpose by the Company may without any previous notice between the hours of nine in the forenoon and four in the afternoon enter any building or place supplied with water or about to be supplied with water by the Company in order to inspect the meters pipes fittings cisterns and apparatus for regulating the supply of water and to see whether such meters pipes fittings cisterns or other apparatus be in good repair and if he shall find that there is an actual waste of water owing to a breach of the Company's regulations he may take such measures as may be reasonably necessary for preventing such waste until an order of two justices can be obtained by the Company under the powers of this Act and if such agent or other officer at any such time having produced his appointment be refused admittance into such premises for the purposes aforesaid or be prevented from making such examination the occupier of such premises shall for every such offence forfeit to the Company a sum not exceeding five pounds. Company's officer may enter buildings to inspect meters &c.

44. The Company shall not be compelled to supply any dwelling-house with water (otherwise than by agreement) where any part of such dwelling-house is used for any trade or manufacturing purposes for which water is required. Company not bound to supply water in certain cases.

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Power to sell  
or let meters.Company to  
pay interest  
on money  
deposited as  
security for  
meter &c.Notice to  
Company of  
putting up  
meters &c.Register of  
meter to  
be primâ  
facie evi-  
dence.Notice be-  
fore entry.

**45.** The Company may from time to time sell and dispose of or let on hire meters upon and subject to such terms (pecuniary and otherwise) and conditions as the Company think fit.

**46.** If any person is required by the Company to give to them security for the payment of the price or rent of a meter the Company shall pay interest after the rate of five pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings deposited by way of such security for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

**47.** Before any person connects or disconnects any meter through which any of the water of the Company is intended to be or has been registered he shall give not less than twenty-four hours' notice in writing to the Company of his intention to do so and any person offending against this enactment shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

**48.** Where water is supplied by measure the register of the meter shall be primâ facie evidence of the quantity of water consumed.

**49.** Any notice required to be given by the Company previously to making any entry authorised by this Act shall be in writing under the hand of the secretary or other officer of the Company and shall be given or served in manner following (that is to say):—

If such premises be occupied then by leaving the notice thereat or by delivering the same to the occupier thereof forty-eight hours at least previously to such entry ;

If such premises be unoccupied and the owner thereof and his usual place of abode be in Great Britain and be known to the Company then by delivering the notice to such owner or by leaving the same at his usual place of abode or by sending the same by post in a registered letter addressed to him at his usual place of abode forty-eight hours at least previously to such entry ;

If such premises be unoccupied and the owner thereof or his usual place of abode be not in Great Britain or be not known to the Company after due enquiry then by affixing the notice on some conspicuous part of such premises three days at least previously to such entry :

And for the purposes of this section any person receiving the rack-rents of any such premises either on his own account or as agent for any other person shall be deemed the owner of such premises.

**50.** The Company may if requested by any person supplied or about to be supplied by them with water furnish to him and from time to time repair or alter any such pipes valves cocks apparatus cisterns and receptacles as are required or permitted by their regu-

lations and may provide all materials and do all work necessary or proper in that behalf and the cost of providing such materials and executing such work shall be paid by the person requiring the same. A.D. 1888.

**51.** The Company shall not be entitled to require from the incoming tenant of any property the payment of arrears of water rent or meter rent left unpaid by any former tenant unless the incoming tenant has undertaken with such former tenant to pay or exonerate him from the payment of such arrears. Incomin tenant not liable for arrears.

**52.** A notice to the Company from a consumer for the discontinuance of a supply of water shall not be of any effect unless it be in writing and be left at the office for the time being of the Company. Notice of discontinuance.

**53.** The Company may from time to time enter into and carry into effect agreements with any sanitary authority company corporation public body officers or persons for the supply by the Company within the limits of this Act of water in bulk to any such sanitary authority company corporation public body officers or persons respectively and the agreements respectively may be for such times and for such remuneration and on such terms and conditions whatsoever as the contracting parties think fit Provided that such supply of water do not interfere with the supply of water for domestic purposes within the limits of supply. Contracts for supplying water in bulk.

**54.** No justice or judge of any court shall be disqualified from acting in the execution of this Act by reason of his being liable to the payment of any water rent meter rent rate or charge under this Act. Liability to water rent not to disqualify justices &c.

**55.** Any summons or warrant issued for any of the purposes of this Act may contain in the body thereof or in a schedule thereto several sums. Contents of summons &c.

**56.** Any justice who issues a warrant of distress for any of the purposes of this Act may order that the costs of the proceedings for the recovery of the money to be levied be paid by the person liable to pay such money and in that case such costs shall be ascertained by the justice and shall be included in the warrant of distress. Costs of distress.

**57.** Penalties imposed under this Act and the Acts wholly or in part incorporated herewith for one and the same offence shall not be cumulative. Penalties no cumulative.

**58.** All costs charges and expenses preliminary to and of and incident to the applying for preparing obtaining and passing of this Act and otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company. Costs of Act.

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