

AUSTRALIAN GAS  
LIGHT COMPANY.

An Act to enable the Australian Gas Light Company to extend their Works to places beyond the boundaries and limits of the City of Sydney and to increase their Capital Stock. [7th October, 1858.]

Preamble.  
8 Wm. 4.  
Australian Gas  
Light Company  
Act.

WHEREAS by an Act of Council passed in the eighth year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth intituled “ *An Act for lighting with Gas the Town of Sydney in the Colony of New South Wales and to enable certain persons associated under the name style and firm of ‘ The Australian Gas Light Company ’ to sue and be sued in the name of the Secretary for the time being of the said Company and for other purposes therein mentioned* ” it was enacted that the several persons therein particularly mentioned or referred to and their respective successors executors administrators and assignees should be and they were thereby united into a company of proprietors by the name of “ The Australian Gas Light Company ” for the purpose of lighting and supplying with gas all public places roads streets

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streets ways lanes passages and buildings and also all private houses shops manufactories properties and buildings within the town of Sydney in pursuance of any contract or agreement to be entered into as is thereafter mentioned And by the said Act the capital of the said company is limited to the sum of one hundred thousand pounds And whereas the said company are desirous of carrying on the said undertaking beyond the boundaries and limits of the city of Sydney and of increasing their capital stock and to have full powers and authority conferred upon them for the purposes aforesaid Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows—

1. It shall be lawful for the said company to light and supply with gas all public streets highways roads ways lanes passages and buildings and also all private houses shops manufactories properties buildings and grounds beyond the boundaries and limits of the city of Sydney to continue and extend the existing mains and pipes of the said company and to erect additional works.

2. It shall be lawful for the said company to raise and contribute among themselves or otherwise as the said company shall determine any further sum or sums of money by way of capital or joint stock not exceeding in the whole the sum of three hundred thousand pounds by the issue of new shares of not less than five pounds each in like manner as is directed by the hereinbefore recited Act.

3. It shall be lawful for the said company from time to time to make and erect in places beyond the city of Sydney additional buildings gasometers machinery and other works to erect and maintain posts pillars lamps and other apparatus in all or any streets roads highways passages and other public places to dig and sink trenches and drains for the purpose of laying fixing altering and repairing and to lay fix alter and repair mains and pipes stop-cocks syphons plugs and branch pipes in through under or across all or any streets roads highways passages and public places and from time to time to alter the position of all or any mains pipes stop-cocks syphons plugs and branch pipes And also at the request of the owners or occupiers of public or private houses buildings manufactories or grounds to carry branch pipes from all or any mains or pipes into or through any such public or private houses buildings manufactories or grounds for the purpose of lighting the same and to erect and set up proper machinery and apparatus for such purpose and to repair and amend the same when necessary.

4. The said company shall relay reinstate and make good to the satisfaction of the commissioners trustees surveyor or other persons or person having the control direction or superintendence of the same the stones ground soil or pavement of any and every street road highway passage or public place which shall have been broken up by them under the authority of this Act and shall until the same shall be so relaid provide proper lights at night and take all other necessary and proper precaution to guard the trenches drains and pits made by them in any roads streets highways or public places and to prevent accident or damage to passengers cattle or carriages And in case the said company shall make default in relaying reinstating or making good such stones ground soil or pavement as aforesaid or in placing and setting up such lights at night or in taking such necessary and proper precaution as aforesaid the commissioners trustees surveyor or other persons or person having such control direction or superintendence as aforesaid may relay reinstate and make good the same and provide such

Capital stock.

Company desirous of extending operations.

Purposes of company.

Capital stock may be increased.

Power to erect additional buildings lamps pillars &amp;c.

To lay alter and repair mains and pipes.

To re-lay pavements or roads broken up.

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such necessary and proper lights and the expenses thereof shall be repaid on demand by the said company to such commissioners trustees surveyor or other person or persons as aforesaid.

Certain sections of  
recited Act applied  
to this Act.

5. The enactments and provisions contained in sections fifty-two fifty-seven fifty-eight fifty-nine sixty-five sixty-seven and twelve following sections of the hereinbefore recited Act except in so far as the same are hereby altered or varied shall *mutatis mutandis* in all respects extend and apply to places beyond the boundaries and limits of the city of Sydney and shall be read and construed for the purposes of this Act as if the said sections were herein repeated.

Proof of secretary's  
appointment.

6. In any action suit or proceeding at law or in equity or in any prosecution or other matter whatsoever instituted by or on behalf of the said company in the name of the secretary for the time being of the said company it shall not be necessary to prove either the appointment of such secretary or the due enrolment of the secretary's name under the provisions of the hereinbefore recited Act unless the person or persons disputing such appointment or enrolment shall adduce *primâ facie* evidence to the contrary.

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