

effects now belonging to them, or which may become vested in them under any Act to be passed in the next session, and all their rights, powers, privileges, and authorities, unto the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company and the East Lancashire Railway Company, or either of them; and to enable the said two last mentioned Companies, or either of them, to purchase, take, and hold or to take a lease of the said railways, works, property, and effects, and to have exercise, and enjoy all such rights, powers, privileges, and authorities, whether with reference to the levying of tolls, rates, and charges in respect of the said railways and works, or otherwise; and to enable the said three Companies or either of the last mentioned Companies and the Blackburn Railway Company to enter into such agreements as they may think fit for effecting the purposes aforesaid, or otherwise the said intended Act will authorize the amalgamation and consolidation into one undertaking of the undertaking of the Blackburn Railway Company, and the undertakings of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, and the East Lancashire Railway Company, or of the Blackburn Railway Company, with either of the last-mentioned Companies, and to vest the undertakings of the Companies so amalgamating in one Company, with power to have, hold, exercise, and enjoy all the rights, privileges, powers, and authorities belonging to such Companies separately, whether with respect to the levying of tolls, rates, and charges, or otherwise; and the said Act will provide for the dissolution of the Blackburn Railway Company, and the incorporation of the shareholders therein with the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, and with the East Lancashire Railway Company, or either of them, or into one united and consolidated Company, and for regulating, fixing, and determining, the capital stock, and borrowing powers of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, and of the East Lancashire Railway Company, or either of them, or of such united and consolidated Company, and the rights, privileges, preferences, and priorities of the different classes of shareholders in the said Companies so amalgamating respectively, and of the different classes of such shareholders, as amongst each other, in the capital stock of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, and of the East Lancashire Railway Company, or either of them, or of such united and consolidated Company, and for the fulfilment by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, and the East Lancashire Railway Company, or either of them, or such united and consolidated Company of all or some of the contracts, agreements, or arrangements entered into by the said Companies so amalgamating, jointly or severally, or otherwise howsoever, and capable of taking effect at the period of such union or amalgamation; and the said Act will also provide for the mortgage and bond, or other debts of the said Companies so amalgamating respectively, and for the security of the holders of such mortgages and bonds, and of other creditors, and also for the future election of directors of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, and of the East Lancashire Railway Company, or either of them, or of such united and consolidated Company, and for altering the number of the directors of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, and of the East Lancashire Railway Company, or either of them, and also for altering, varying, and increasing the tolls, rates, and duties leviable by the said Companies respectively, any or either of them, from and after the date of such union and amalgamation.

And notice is hereby also given, that, on or before the 31st day of December next, printed copies of the said intended Act will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons.

Dated the 12th day of November, 1856.

Colne and Bradford Railway.

(Construction of Railway by East Lancashire Railway Company, or by New Company; Powers over Railways and Stations in West Riding of Yorkshire, and to Companies owning the same; Amendment of various Acts of Parliament relating to East Lancashire and other Companies).

A PPLICATION is intended to be made to Parliament, in the next session thereof, for leave to bring in a Bill for the following or some of the following, among other purposes, namely:

To authorize the construction and maintenance of a railway with all proper stations, approaches, and conveniences connected therewith, commencing by a junction with the East Lancashire Railway at or near to an occupation bridge over the same in a farm called Wackersall, in the township of Marsden, and passing through the following places, or some of them, viz., Marsden, Great Marsden, Colne, Trawden, Winewall, Wycoller, in the parish of Whalley, in the county of Lancaster, Haworth, Stanbury, Wilsden (upper and lower division), Thornton, Denholme, Allerton, Clayton, Horton, Great Horton, Little Horton, Bowling, and Bradford, in the parish of Bradford, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, Keighley and Oakworth, in the parish of Keighley, in the same county and riding, Bingley, Harden, Lees, and Cullingworth, in the parish of Bingley, also in the West Riding of Yorkshire. And the same railway will terminate by a junction with the Leeds, Bradford, and Halifax Junction Railway, near to the Bowling Dyehouse, in the township of Bowling, within the borough of Bradford.

The Bill will contain powers to purchase lands and houses compulsorily, for the purposes of the said intended railway stations and works, and to levy tolls, rates, and charges in respect thereof.

The Bill will either confer the aforesaid powers on the East Lancashire Railway Company by that or some other name, or it will incorporate a Company for the foregoing purposes, and will give to the East Lancashire Railway Company power to contribute to the capital of the said Company, and to guarantee dividends on the whole or any part of the said capital, and to work, manage, and maintain the intended railway and works; and to supply officers, servants, engines, carriages, and other rolling stock for the purposes thereof.

The Bill will also enable the East Lancashire Railway Company to raise fresh capital, either by shares or by loan, for the purposes of the intended railway and works, and also for the general purposes of their undertaking, and to attach to such new capital such preference of dividend or other advantage as the Bill shall define.

The Bill will repeal, alter, amend, extend, and enlarge all or some of the powers and provisions of the several Acts of Parliament relating to the East Lancashire Railway Company or some of them, and will alter the tolls, rates, or duties payable for the use of the East Lancashire Railway.

The Bill will enable the East Lancashire Railway Company or the Company to be incorporated by the Bill, or others the owners or lessees for the time being of the undertaking intended to be constructed by virtue of the said Bill, to use with their engines and carriages of every description, upon payment of such tolls, rates, and charges, or