- 2. To prescribe, define, and regulate the rights inter se of the holders of bonds, stock, whether redeemable or irredeemable, and annuities, whether permanent or temporary, of the Board.
- 3. To make provision and to confer upon the Board all necessary and convenient powers with respect to the granting, issuing, registration, transfer, and transmission of stock or annuities, and for the redemption or extinction of redeemable stock and annuities to be created or granted under the powers of the Bill; and to authorise the Board to make and carry into effect arrangements with any bank or bankers with respect to the issuing, registration, transfer, and transmission of such stock or annuities, and the payment of the dividend or interest on such stock, and the payment of such annuities, and the remuneration of such banks or bankers, for or in respect of their services in connection with such issuing, registration, transfer, transmission, and payment, or any incidental matters; and to make provision as to unclaimed dividends or interest on such stock and unclaimed annuities; and to confer all necessary powers upon such banks or bankers in that behalf.
- 4. To authorise the Board by agreement with the Commissioners of Inland Revenue and the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or either of those bodies, to compound from time to time for the stamp duty on transfers of any stock or annuities for the time being of the Board, and to confer upon the said Commissioners respectively all necessary powers in that behalf and to exempt from stamp duty the transfers of any stock or annuities with respect to the transfer of which any such composition shall be made.
- 5. To alter the time at which the poll for the election of elective members of the Board shall be opened, to extend the interval to elapse between the day of nomination of elective members of the Board and the date of polling; and to make further provision with respect to the dates for the retirement of nominee and elective members of the Board, and the nomination of new members of the Board, and for filling up vacancies in the pilotage committee of the Board, and to vary or amend the provisions, or some of the provisions, of section 22, sub-section (4) of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Act, 1857, and of sections 25 to 28 (both inclusive) of the Mersey Docks Act, 1881, and of section 10 of the Mersey Docks Act, 1884, with respect to those matters, or some of them.

6. To confer further powers on the Board and their marine surveyor and other officers with reference to the removal or destruction of wrecks in the River Mersey, or the sea approaches thereto, and so far as may be necessary or expedient to amend section 11 of the Mersey

Docks Act, 1874, in that behalf.

7. To authorise the Board from time to time to appoint, remove, or discharge an Inspector or Inspectors of Weights and Measures, and to confer on such Inspector or Inspectors in reference to all the weights and measures used in or upon the docks (as interpreted in the Act of 1858) of the Board all or some of the duties and powers, rights and immunities, conferred by the Weights and Measures Act, 1878, upon Inspectors of Weights and Measures appointed by a local authority under that Act, and so far as may be necessary or thought expedient to exempt the board and their said docks and their officers and servants, and persons using or resorting to the said docks, from the provisions or some of the provisions of the last-mentioned Act with respect to the local verification and nspection of weights and measures and with

respect to local authorities, and with respect to legal proceedings (sections 43 to 61 both inclusive).

8. To empower the Board to limit or restrict the period during which vessels may remain in the River Mersey or the sea approaches thereto or elsewhere within the jurisdiction of the Board, and if necessary to remove any such vessel, and to enable the Board from time to time to make bye-laws, rules, and regulations, with respect to any such matters, and the Bill will or may impose or authorise the Board to impose and will provide for the recovery of penalties for the breach or non-observance of any provisions of the Bill, or any bye-laws, rules, or regulations of the Board with respect to any such matters.

9. To prescribe and regulate the mode in which pilots may offer themselves to pilot vessels, whether inward or outward bound, coming or being within the pilot stations as fixed from time to time by the bye-laws of the Board or the Pilotage Committee of the Board, or within the pilotage jurisdiction of the Board, and to define and declare what shall be deemed to be a refusal of the master of any such vessel to take on board or to employ a pilot for the purposes of the provisions of the Act of 1858, as to the duties of and penalties on masters and owners of vessels (sections 129 to 141, both inclusive).

10. To extend the period limited by the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board (Overhead Railways) Act, 1882 (hereinafter called "the Act of 1882") for the completion of the railways authorised by that Act, and to revive and extend the period for the exercise of the powers for the compulsory

purchase of lands for such railways.

11. To vary and extend the provisions of section 30 of the Act of 1882, so as to empower the Board to demise or lease and to enter into and carry into effect, vary, and rescind contracts, agreements, or arrangements as in that section mentioned to or with any company, although such company be not incorporated by Act of Parliament, or to or with any other body or any person or persons.

12. To vary or amend the provisions contained in section 183 of the Act of 1858, and to confer on the Board discretionary power to remove or suspend at any time, or in the case of any person or persons, the prohibition contained in the said section against any persons other than those appointed and employed by the Board being allowed to work within the walls of any warehouse or dock.

13. To vary or extinguish all or any rights or privileges inconsistent with the objects or provisions of the intended Act, and to confer other

rights and privileges.

14. To repeal, vary, extend, or amend, so far as may be necessary or expedient for all or any of the purposes aforesaid, the provisions, or some of the provisions, of the several local and personal Acts of Parliament following, or some or one of them, that is to say:—the Mersey Docks and Harbour Act, 1857; the Act of 1858, the Mersey Docks Act, 1881; the Mersey Docks Act, 1874; the Act of 1882, and the Mersey Docks Act, 1884; and all or any other Acts relating to the Board.

Printed copies of the intended Bill will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons, on or before the 21st day of December next,

Dated this 19th day of November, 1886.

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