

ninth years of His late Majesty for paving the town of Worthing in the county of Sussex and establishing a market therein, and for making other provisions in lieu thereof, for erecting groynes, for laying a duty on coals imported into the said town, and for other purposes relating to the improvement of the said town' (herein called the Local Act of 1821), certain Commissioners were established and appointed for putting such Act into execution within the town of Worthing in the said parish of Broadwater, and the said Commissioners were, amongst other things, authorized to order and direct a rate or duty to be paid for all sea coals, culm or other coals, coke cinders, and charcoal, which should be imported and landed in the said town, or otherwise brought or delivered within the limits thereof (hereinafter called the coal duty):

"And whereas by a local Act of Parliament passed in the seventh year of the reign of King George the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for making and maintaining a Turnpike-road from Worthing to Lancing in the county of Sussex, and groynes, embankments, and other sea defences, for protecting such road and the lands adjoining from the further encroachments of the sea' (hereinafter called the Local Act of 1826), certain Trustees were constituted and appointed for putting such Act into execution:

"And whereas by a Provisional Order of the General Board of Health, dated the seventeenth January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, confirmed by the First Public Health Supplemental Act, 1852, the said town of Worthing was constituted a district for the purposes of the Public Health Act, 1848, and the Local Act of 1821 was amended and partly repealed, and certain powers, authorities, duties, property, and liabilities of the said Commissioners constituted under such Act were transferred to the Local Board of Health of such district (hereinafter called the Local Board):

"And whereas by two Provisional Orders of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, both dated the first April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and confirmed by the Local Government Supplemental Act, 1859, by a Provisional Order made by the like authority dated the tenth June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and confirmed by the Local Government Supplemental Act, 1853 (No. 2), by a Provisional Order made by the like authority dated the fifteenth February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, and confirmed by the Local Government Supplemental Act 1867 by two Provisional Orders made by the like authority both dated the eighth June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and confirmed by the Local Government Act, 1868 (No. 6) the Local Act of 1821 was further amended and partly repealed, and certain further powers were conferred on the Local Board:

"And whereas by the said Local Government Act, 1868 (No. 6), the Local Board were authorized and empowered to supply water within any part of the said parish of Broadwater:

"And whereas by a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, dated the eighth April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and by the Local Government Supplemental Act, 1869, confirming such Order the Local Act of 1826 was amended and partly repealed, and certain powers, property, and liabilities of the Trustees constituted by such Local Act in relation to sea defences and other matters were transferred to the Local Board, subject to the rights of the Crown in the shore or bed of the sea and to certain powers of the Board of Trade in relation thereto,

and the said Worthing and Lancing turnpike-road as to the part thereof within the district of the Local Board became a street within the meaning of the Public Health Act, 1848, and as to the part lying to the eastward of such district, ceased to be a turnpike-road; and it was provided that the district of the Local Board for the purposes of the Local Act of 1826, so far as the same was not repealed, should as to sea defences extend to the eastward of the district of Worthing to the point in such Provisional Order specified, and should as to certain rates leviable under such Local Act extend to and include certain lands mentioned in the same Act, and the Local Board were authorized to levy an additional rate upon the owners of certain lands mentioned in the said Provisional Order, and certain powers of borrowing money and other powers were conferred upon the Local Board: And it was provided that the owners and occupiers of the said lands mentioned in the Local Act of 1826 should be entitled to vote in the elections of Members of the Local Board in like manner as if such lands were included for all purposes within the district of such Board: And by a Provisional Order made by the like authority dated the eighth July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and confirmed by the Local Government Supplemental Act, 1871, further powers of borrowing money for purposes of the Local Government Act, 1858, were conferred upon the Local Board:

"And whereas by a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board dated the twenty-seventh May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and confirmed by the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Aberdare, &c.) Act, 1875, the district of the Local Board was extended for all sanitary purposes so as to include the parts of the said parish of Broadwater therein described, and it was amongst other things provided that separate assessments should be made upon that part of the district which theretofore constituted the Local Government District of Worthing for the purpose of levying and making rates in the nature of general district rates to defray the sum of twenty thousand pounds, being part of a certain sum then due and owing and charged upon the general district rate of the said district as theretofore constituted with the interest from time to time accruing thereon so far as might be necessary after credit should be given in respect of the money received from the coal duty, and that when the said sum of twenty thousand pounds should have been fully discharged, the sums receivable from the coal duty should be applicable in such manner as should be then provided for by a further Provisional Order, or by some other means to be prescribed by competent authority in that behalf:

"And whereas by a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board dated the nineteenth June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and confirmed by the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Bath, &c.) Act, 1876, the district of the Local Board for the purposes of the Local Act of 1826 and the said Provisional Order of the eighth April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, was, as to sea defences, extended to a point one thousand feet eastward of the eastern boundary of their district for sea defences as defined by the last-mentioned Provisional Order; by a Provisional Order made by the like authority dated the second May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, and confirmed by the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Aspull, &c.) Act, 1879, the Local Act of 1821