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THE following Scheme for the adjustment of the property, rights, liabilities, &c., of the Local Board of Health for the district of Chatham Extra in the county of Kent, and for other purposes, as settled by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, is published in pursuance of the Municipal Corporations Act :--

"Whereas, by the 'Municipal Corporations Act, 1882 and 1885,' it is enacted that where a petition for a Charter of Incorporation is referred to the Committee of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and it is proposed by the Charter to extend the 'Municipal Corporations Acts' to the Municipal Borough to be created by the Charter, the said Committee of Council may settle a scheme for the purposes in the said Acts named, and containing such provisions as are in the said Acts particularized ;

"And whereas certain inhabitant householders from the Local Government District of Chatham, in the county of Kent, petitioned Her Majesty the Queen praying for the grant of a Charter of-Incorporation;

"And whereas, the said petition for a Charter was referred to the Committee of Council, and it was proposed by the Charter to extend the, "Municipal Corporations Acts' to the Municipal Borough to be created by the Charter;

Borough to be created by the Charter ; "And whereas by a Charter granted by Her Majesty the Queen a district comprising (1) the parish of Chatham (except (a) such parts of the same as are within the boundaries whether by land or by water of the city of Rochester and (b) that part of the said parish situate in Old Brompton which is bounded on the south by a road or path known as the New Cut on the west by the wall of Chatham Dockyard and otherwise by the parish of Gillingham) and (2) all that part of the parish of Gillingham which is known as Hards Town and which is bounded by a line commencing at the thirty-first milestone on the London and Dover Road and proceeding thence in a northwesterly direction along the south-west boundary of the Lines to Cage-lane thence in a southwesterly direction to the boundary of the parish of Chatham and thence in a south-easterly direction along the said parish boundary to the point of commencement before described was created a Municipal Borough by the name of the

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Borough of Chatham,' and the said Charter extends the 'Municipal Corporations Acts' to the said borough of Chatham ;

"And whereas, under and by virtue of the 'Public Health Act, 1848,' and the various Acts amending the same, the Local Board of Health for the district of Chatham Extra, in the county of Kent (hereinafter called the 'Local Board') was constituted and became invested with various powers and duties, and the same was before the creation of the said borough the Urban Sanitary Authority for the said Local Government District of Chatham;

"And whereas by Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade known as the Chatham Sun Pier Order, 1863, and the Chatham Pier Order, 1884, confirmed by the Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation Acts, 1863 and 1884 respectively (26 and 27 Vict., c. 104 and 47 and 48 Vict., c. ccxvi), the Local Board were empowered to purchase, and afterwards maintain a pier, commonly called the Sun Pier, situate within the district of Chatham Extra, and extending from a place in Chatham Extra known as the roadway to the Town Quay, into the River Medway, with the entrance and right of approach to such pier, and any other accommodations or interests, in or in connection with such pier, and all fixtures, fittings, and things in, upon, or about, the same, and were also empowered to provide better, and more extensive accommodation for the traffic passing along and across such pier, and the powers of the Local Board as to the raising of money on the security of the rates, and as to the execution of works, and in other respects were much enlarged and divers powers were conferred thereby upon the Local Board ;

"And whereas, it is expedient that provision be made for the continuance, transfer and vesting, and management of the Sun Pier undertaking of the Local Board, and other the property, rights, powers, and privileges conferred by or acquired under the said Pier Crders of 1863 and 1884, as by this scheme mentioned;

"And whereas by a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board, dated the twentieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty, there was formed, under sections one hundred and thirty-one and two hundred and seventy-nine of the 'Public Health Act, 1875,' a joint Hospital Board for the establishment and maintenance of a hospital for the use in common of the inhabitants of the Municipal Borough of Rochester and of the Local Government District