Leek Branch Railway of the Company.

Certain lands in the parish of Caldon in the "county of Stafford, containing 2 acres or thereabouts, forming part of the close of land numbered 104 on the 2500 Ordnance Map (Survey 1879) of that parish situate on the north side of Stony-lane.

Certain lands in the parish of Monks Coppenhall, in the borough of Crewe, in the county of Chester, containing 1 acre 2 roods and 18 perches or thereabouts, situate on the east side of and adjoining the London and North-Western Railway Company's railway (Grand Junction Railway) Liverpool and Crewe line, and bounded on the east by Thomas-street and

on the south by Wharf-place.

To empower the Company in respect of so much of the railway and canal as is situate in the tunnels known as the Harecastle Tunnels, notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in the Act 1, Will. IV, cap. 55, or in the Railways Ulauses Consolidation Act, 1845, with respect to mines lying under or near the railway, to purchase by compulsion and to hold all or some of the mines and minerals lying under the said tunnels and under such of the lands adjacent thereto in the parishes of Harding's Wood and Kidsgrove, in the urban district of Kidsgrove, Goldenhill and Tunstall, in the urban district of Tunstall, in the county of Stafford, are situate within 80 yards from the said tunnels, and to anthorize the purchase and acquisition thereof on and subject to such of the provisions of the said Railways Clauses Act and to such other terms, conditions, restrictions, and obligations (if any) as may be prescribed or provided for by the intended Act without the Company becoming liable to purchase any other part of, or right or interest in, the said lands than such mines and minerals.

To provide that in respect of so much of the railway and canal of the Company as is constructed in the said tunnels the prescribed distance, for the purposes of section 78 (owners of mines lying near the railway to give notice before working) of the Railways Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, and of section 170 of the Act 1, Will. IV, cap. 55, shall be 80 yards therefrom or such less distance as may be prescribed by the intended Act, and so far as may be necessary or expedient to alter, amend, extend, or repeal all or some of the provisions of the said Acts with reference to the said railway and canal and to the said lands, and the mines and minerals under the said lands.

To revive and extend the respective periods limited by the North Staffordshire Railway Act, 1899, for the purchase of lands and for the com-

pletion of :-

(1) So much of Widening No. 1 authorized by that Act as lies between the Clifton and Norbury Stations on the Ashbourne Branch Railway of the Company.

(2) Railway No. 5 authorized by the said

Act.

To empower the Company to redeem the rent payable to the Newcastle-under-Lyme Canal Company under the Newcastle-under-Lyme Canal (Lease) Act, 1864, and the ground rents and other rents and yearly payments for land specified in the schedule to that Act.

To sanction, confirm, and give effect to a certain agreement for the purchase by the Company of certain property known as the Cliff-park Estate, including the Vendor's rights of fishing in the Rudyard Reservoir of the Company.

To vary and amend section 183 of the Trent

situate on the south side of and adjoining the and Mersey Canal Act, 1831, as regards the rights of fishery in the canals and reservoirs of the Company, and to vest in the Company all rights of fishing in the Rudyard Reservoir, and in such portions of the canals and reservoirs of the Company where the Company are the riparian owners, and to empower the Company to make regulations as regards fishing from the towing paths of the canal and from the banks of any of their reservoirs.

To extend the time for the sale of all or any of the superfluous lands belonging to the Company in connection with their Undertaking, and to confer upon the Company further powers with reference to the retention, sale, or disposal of such lands, and to repeal, alter, or amend the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts with

respect to the sale of superfluous lands.

To provide that in any case where in rebuilding any bridge carrying a public road over the canal the Company has widened or shall widen the roadway over the bridge or has improved or shall improve the gradient of such roadway the Local Authority shall maintain the roadway on such bridge and the approaches thereto.

To authorize the purchase and acquisition of a part only of, or of an easement in, over, or under any property which may be required to be taken for the purposes of, or in exercise of the powers of the intended Act, without the Company becoming subject to the liability imposed by section 92 of The Lands Clauses Consolidation

Act, 1845.

To enable the Company to convert and adopt their railways or the canal for use and working by electrical energy, and to construct and equip generating stations, and to purchase rolling stock, vessels, and plant, and motors and tramways for electric traction, and to acquire lands by agreement, and to apply their funds to those purposes or any of them.

To empower the Company to construct, provide, maintain, and work, and let for hire, steamers, electric launches, sailing and rowing boats on the Rudyard Reservoir, and to make charges for the use of such steamers and other boats, and to enable the Company to enter into agreements with any Company or person for the

supply or hire of any such vessels as aforesaid.

To empower the Company to provide tugs to be worked by electricity or other efficient and suitable power for the haulage of boats through the Harecastle Tunnels of the canal, and to vary and amend the provisions of section 27 of The North Staffordshire Railway Act, 1879, as regards haulage, and to increase the haulage charges through the said tunnels under such section, and to prescribe the charges which the Company may

make for such haulage.

To empower the Company to acquire, erect, provide, and maintain as part of their Undertaking, botels, and to furnish, stock, equip, manage and conduct the same, and to employ such officers and servants as they may deem requisite for such purpose, and to acquire by agreement any lands for the purposes aforesaid, and to let or lease such hotels, and to apply their funds for all or any of the purposes afore-

said.

To empower the Company to maintain and to own, work and use coaches, motor cars and other vehicles for the conveyance of passengers and goods in connection with, or in extension of, their railway or canal system, and to make charges with respect to such conveyance, and to enter into contracts and agreements with any company or person with reference to the supply and working of such coaches, motor cars or other vehicles, and to authorize the Company