Limited, and the North Staffordshire Tramways Company Limited, or (except where the context otherwise requires) one of those Companies."

And whereas the Potteries Electric Traction Company Limited, and the North Staffordshire Tramways Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as "the Companies") have made application to the Minister of Transport (hereinafter referred to as "the Minister") under Section 4 of the Act of 1923 for an Order authorising the abandonment by them of the Tramways and Light Railways authorised by the Acts and Orders hereinafter referred to, that is to say:—

The Tramways and Light Railways authorised by the Stoke-on-Trent, Fenton Longton and District Tramways Order, 1879, confirmed by the Tramways Orders Confirmation Act, 1879, the Potteries Extension Tramways Order, 1896, confirmed by the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1896, the Potteries Light Railways Order, 1897, the Potteries Light Railways (Extensions) Order, 1902, the Potteries and North Staffordshire Tramways (Amendment) Order, 1908, confirmed by the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1908, the North Staffordshire Tramways Order, 1880, con-firmed by the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1880, the North Staffordshire Tramways Extensions Order, 1881, confirmed by the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1881, the North Staffordshire Tramways Order, 1882, confirmed by the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1882, the North Staffordshire Tramways Order, 1883, confirmed by the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1883, the North Staffordshire Tramways (Release of Deposit) Order, 1886, confirmed by the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1896, the North Staffordshire Tramways Act, 1902, and the Act of 1923, (except so much of Tramway No. 13 authorised by the Potteries Extension Tramways Order, 1896, as is situate in High Street, Penkhull Street and London Road, Newcastle-under-Lyme and Light Railways Nos. 3, 4, 4b and siding at termination of Light Railway No. 4b and Light Railways Nos. 5, 5a, 5b and 5c authorised by the Potteries Light Railways Order, 1897, which said Tramway and Light Railways have already been abandoned under and by virtue of an Order of the Minister dated the 16th day of April, 1926) all which said Tramways and Light Railways (except as aforesaid) are hereinafter referred to as "the said Tramways and Light Railways ".

And whereas pursuant to sub-section (4) of the said Section 4 of the Act of 1923, the Minister has required the Companies to give such public and other notices of the said application as are therein prescribed and no representations have been made against the application for the Order.

And whereas the Minister is satisfied

- (a) that it is just and expedient that an Order should be made under the provisions of the said Section 4 of the Act of 1923; and
- (b) that the requirements of public traffic upon the route of the said Tramways and Light Railways can be adequately served by other description of transport.

Now therefore, the Minister in exercise of the powers in that behalf conferred on him by the said Section 4 of the Act of 1923 and of any and every other power thereunto him enabling hereby orders as follows:—

- (1) The Minister authorises the abandonment of the said Tramways and Light Railways and prescribes that the 31st day of March, 1929, shall be the date as from which the powers, obligations and liabilities of the Companies in relation to the said Tramways and Light Railways shall cease and determine in accordance with and subject to the provisions of sub-section (3) of the said Section 4 of the Act of 1923.
- (2) This Order may be cited as the Potteries Electric Traction Company Limited, and the North Staffordshire Tramways Company Limited (Tramways and Light Railways Abandonment) Order, 1928.

Given under the seal of the Minister of Transport this sixteenth day of November, 1928.

(L.S.) E. W. Rowntree,

Assistant Secretary, Ministry of Transport.

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COUNTY BOROUGH OF ROCHDALE.

Rochdale Corporation Act, 1925.

WHEREAS by Sub-section (1) of Section 4 of the Rochdale Corporation Act, 1925, it is provided that the Corporation of Rochdale (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") may, with the consent of the Minister of Transport and the local authority of the district, run omnibuses along any route outside the Borough upon which the Corporation are from time to time empowered to work or run over tramways, tramroads or light railways and along any other route within a radius of five miles from the Town Hall, Rochdale.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the said Sub-section the Corporation have made application to the Minister of Transport for his consent to the running by them of Motor Omnibuses along the following routes, that is to say:—

From the Borough Boundary in Edenfield Road to the junction of Bagslate Moor Road, Norden Road and War Office Road to the junction of Bury Old Road.

And Notice is hereby further given that objection to the giving of such consent may be sent in writing to the Assistant Secretary, Roads Department, Ministry of Transport, 7, Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W. 1, on or before the 21st day of December, 1928.

A copy of any objection should at the same time be sent by the Objector to the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Rochdale.

Dated this seventh day of December, 1928.

WM. HENRY HICKSON, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, (224) Rochdale.