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Works to be executed.

XVI. Subject to the Provisions and Restrictions in this and the Special Act, and any Act incorporated therewith, it shall be lawful for the Company, for the Purpose of constructing the Railway, or the Accommodation Works connected therewith, herein-after mentioned, to execute any of the following Works; (that is to say,)

Inclined Planes, &c.

They may make or construct in, upon, across, under, or over any Lands, or any Streets, Hills, Valleys, Roads, Railroads, or Tramroads, Rivers, Canals, Brooks, Streams, or other Waters, within the Lands described in the said Plans or mentioned in the said Books of Reference or any Correction thereof, such temporary or permanent Inclined Planes, Tunnels, Embankments, Aqueducts, Bridges, Roads, Ways, Passages, Conduits, Drains, Piers, Arches, Cuttings, and Fences as they think proper;

Alteration of Course of Rivers, &c.

They may alter the Course of any Rivers not navigable, Brooks, Streams, or Watercourses, and of any Branches of navigable Rivers, such Branches not being themselves navigable, within such Lands, for the Purpose of constructing and maintaining Tunnels, Bridges, Passages, or other Works over or under the same, and divert or alter, as well temporarily as permanently, the Course of any such Rivers or Streams of Water, Roads, Streets, or Ways, or raise or sink the Level of any such Rivers or Streams, Roads, Streets, or Ways, in order the more conveniently to carry the same over or under or by the Side of the Railway, as they may think proper;

Drains, &c.

They may make Drains or Conduits into, through, or under any Lands adjoining the Railway, for the Purpose of conveying Water from or to the Railway;

Warehouses, &c.

They may erect and construct such Houses, Warehouses, Offices, and other Buildings, Yards, Stations, Wharfs, Engines, Machinery, Apparatus, and other Works and Conveniences as they think proper;

Alterations and Repairs.

They may from Time to Time alter, repair, or discontinue the before-mentioned Works or any of them, and substitute others in their Stead; and

General Power.

They may do all other Acts necessary for making, maintaining, altering, or repairing, and using the Railway:

Proviso as to Damages.

Provided always, that in the Exercise of the Powers by this or the Special Act granted the Company shall do as little Damage as can be, and shall make full Satisfaction in manner herein and in the Special Act, and any Act incorporated therewith, provided, to all Parties interested for all Damage by them sustained by reason of the Exercise of such Powers.

Works below High-water Mark not to be executed without the Consent of the Lords of the Admiralty.

XVII. It shall not be lawful for the Company to construct on the Shore of the Sea, or of any Creek, Bay, Arm of the Sea, or navigable River communicating therewith, where and so far up the same as the Tide flows and re-flows, any Work, or to construct any Railway or Bridge across any Creek, Bay, Arm of the Sea, or navigable River, where and so far up the same as the Tide flows and reflows, without the previous Consent of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, to be signified in Writing under the Hands of Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues,