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(Hon. Mr. O'Rorke.)

## Municipal Corporations Gasworks.

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### A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to authorize Municipalities to construct Gas-works, and to provide for the raising of the Moneys for the construction of such Works. Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short Title.

1. The Short Title of the Act shall be "The Municipal Corporations Gasworks Act, 1874."

Interpretation.

2. The following words and expressions have in this Act the meanings hereby assigned to them, unless such meanings be repugnant to the context or subject, that is to say,—

The expression "borough" shall include any city town or borough incorporated or constituted under any Act of the General Assembly, or under any Act or Ordinance of the Legislature of any Province in which this Act is in operation.

The expression "the Council" shall mean the governing body of any borough.

The expressions "the gasworks" and "undertaking" shall respectively mean the gasworks and works connected therewith by this Act authorized to be constructed.

The word "lands" shall include messuages lands tenements and hereditaments of any tenure.

The word "street" shall include any wharf quay jetty bridge square court alley highway lane road thoroughfare or public passage or place within the borough, or projecting from any part thereof into the sea or harbour, or within the district as hereinafter defined.

The expression "rent" shall mean and include any rent reward or payment to be made to the Council for the supply of gas.

Provincial Council may bring Act into operation.

3. Except as hereafter provided, this Act may be brought into operation in and for any borough within any Province by an Act or Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of such Province, and shall take effect in and for such borough on and from any day which by such Act or Ordinance shall be either fixed or directed to be appointed; and except as aforesaid, this Act shall have no effect or operation:

Provided that this Act shall not apply or, except by Act of the General Assembly expressly passed for the purpose, be capable of being applied to or brought into operation within any borough within which gasworks have been constructed or carried on by any company or person under the authority of any Act of the General Assembly heretofore passed.

## CONSTRUCTION OF WORKS, &amp;C.

Council may construct gasworks on sites to be authorized by Provincial legislation.

4. The Council may, upon such piece of land as may be described in the Act or Ordinance bringing this Act into operation within the borough, construct all such works as it shall think necessary or expedient for the manufacture of gas, and may thereon manufacture gas and supply the same within the borough.

Council may purchase gasworks.

5. The Council may purchase, and hold for the purposes of or as part of the gasworks, any works constructed within the borough for the supply of gas, together with all the lands rights plant and materials furnishings and other things belonging thereto, at such price and on such terms as the Council and the other contracting party shall agree upon.

Power to break up streets, &amp;c., under superintendence, and open drains.

6. The Council may open and break up the soil and pavement of the several streets and bridges within the limits of the borough, and may open and break up any sewers drains or tunnels within or under such streets and bridges, and lay down and place within the same limits pipes conduits service-pipes and other works, and from time to time repair alter or remove the same, and also make any sewers that may be necessary for carrying off the washings and waste liquids which may arise in the making of the gas, and for the purposes aforesaid may remove and use all earth and materials in and under

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such streets and bridges, and may in such streets erect any pillars lamps and other works, and do all other acts which the Council shall from time to time deem necessary for supplying gas within the limits aforesaid, doing as little damage and interrupting traffic as little as

5 may be in the exercise of the powers hereby granted, and making compensation for any damage to the person or persons affected thereby.

7. Provided always that nothing herein shall authorize or empower the Council to lay down or place any pipe or other works into through or against any buildings or in any land not dedicated to public

Not to enter on private land without consent.

10 use without the consent of the owners and occupiers thereof, but the Council may at any time enter upon and lay or place any new pipe in the place of an existing pipe in any land wherein any pipe shall

thereinbefore have been lawfully laid down or placed by the Council, and may repair or alter any pipe so laid down.

15 8. Provided further that it shall be lawful for any owner or occupier of any building or land not dedicated to public use into through or against which any pipe or other works shall have been laid down or placed with the consent of the owners and occupiers thereof for the time being, at any time thereafter, if such owner or occupier

Owners and occupiers of private grounds may alter position of pipes.

20 shall deem it necessary or expedient, upon giving forty-eight hours' notice to the Council at his own costs and charges, but under the superintendence of the Council, to alter and vary the position of such pipe or other works, and to relay and replace the same, so that full compensation be made for any damage done thereby to the Council, or

25 for any hindrance or obstruction which may thereby be occasioned to the lighting of any public or private lamp.

9. The Council may light the borough with gas, and provide therefor the necessary lamps lamp posts pipes burners meters and other things, and may from time to time enter into any contract with

Power of the Council to contract for lighting streets, &c.

30 any person for lighting or supplying with gas any public or private buildings, or for providing any person with pipes burners meters and lamps, and for the repair thereof.

10. The Council may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the quantity of gas consumed or supplied, and any fittings for the gas for

Power of Council to let meters.

35 such remuneration in money as shall be agreed upon between the Council and any person to whom the same may be so let, and such remuneration shall be recoverable in the same manner as the rents or sums due to the Council for gas, and such meters and fittings shall not be subject to distress for rent of the premises where the same may

Meters not liable to distraint for rent, &c.

40 be used, nor to be taken in execution under any process or proceeding of a Court of Law or Equity, or in Bankruptcy, against the person in whose possession the same may be.

11. The Clerk, Engineer, or other officer duly appointed for the purpose by the Council, may with any police constable for the time

Clerk, &c., of Council may enter buildings for ascertaining quantities of gas consumed.

45 being on duty, whom he may require to accompany him at all reasonable times, enter any building or place supplied by the Council with gas, in order to inspect the meters fittings and works for regulating the supply of gas, and for the purpose of ascertaining the quantity of gas consumed or supplied, and if any person hinder such officer as

50 aforesaid from entering and making such inspection as aforesaid at any reasonable time, he shall, for every such offence, forfeit to the Council a sum not exceeding five pounds.

12. If any person, whose premises may be supplied with gas, neglect to pay the rent due for the same to the Council, the Council

Recovery of rents due for gas.

55 may stop the gas from entering the premises of such person by cutting off the service pipe, or by such means as the Council shall think fit, and recover the rent due from such person, together with the expense of cutting off the gas and the costs of recovering the rent by action in any Court of Law of competent jurisdiction.

Power to take away pipes, &c., when supply of gas discontinued.

**13.** In all cases in which the Council are authorized to cut off and take away the supply of gas from any house building or premises under the provisions of this Act, the Council their agents or workmen after giving forty-eight hours' previous notice in writing to the occupier, or if no occupier, then after leaving such notice on any portion of the premises, may, with any police constable for the time being on duty who may be required to accompany them, enter into any such house building or premises between the hours of nine in the forenoon and four in the afternoon, and remove and carry away any pipe meter fittings or other works the property of the Council.

Penalty for fraudulently using the gas of the Council.

**14.** Every person who shall lay or cause to be laid any pipe to communicate with any pipe belonging to the Council without their consent, or shall maliciously injure any such meter as aforesaid, or who in case the gas supplied by the Council is not ascertained by meter shall use any burner other than such as has been provided or approved of by the Council, or of larger dimensions than he has contracted to pay for, or shall keep the lights burning for a longer time than he has contracted to pay for, or who shall otherwise improperly use or burn such gas, or shall supply any other person with any part of the gas supplied to him by the Council, shall forfeit to the Council the sum of five pounds for every such offence, and also the sum of forty shillings for every day such pipe shall so remain, or such works or burner shall be so used, or such excess be so committed or continued, or such supply furnished, and the Council may cut off the gas from the house and premises of the person so offending, notwithstanding any contract which may have been previously entered into.

Penalty for wilfully damaging pipes.

**15.** Every person who shall wilfully disconnect remove destroy or damage any pipe pillar post plug lamp or other work of the Council for supplying gas, or who shall wilfully extinguish any of the public lamps or lights, or waste or improperly use any of the gas supplied by the Council, shall for each offence forfeit to the Council any sum not exceeding five pounds, in addition to the amount of the damage done.

Satisfaction for accidentally damaging pipes.

**16.** Every person who shall carelessly or accidentally break throw down or damage any pipe pillar or lamp belonging to the Council, or under their control, shall pay such sum of money by way of satisfaction to the Council for the damage done, not exceeding ten pounds, as any two Justices shall think reasonable.

Publication of penalties.

**17.** The Council shall publish the short particulars of the several offences for which any penalty is imposed by this Act, and of the amount of every such penalty, and shall cause such particulars to be painted on a board to be hung up or affixed on some conspicuous part of the place of meeting or offices of such Council, and the Council shall renew such particulars as often as the same or any part thereof shall be obliterated or destroyed; and no such penalty shall be recoverable unless such particulars shall have been published and kept published in the manner hereinbefore required.

Penalty for defacing boards used for such publication.

**18.** If any person pull down or injure any board put up or affixed as required by this Act for the purpose of publishing any by-law or penalty, or shall obliterate any of the letters or figures thereon, he shall forfeit for every such offence a sum not exceeding five pounds, and shall defray the expenses attending the restoration of such board.

Penalties, &c., how to be recovered.

**19.** All fines penalties forfeitures or sums of money which under or by virtue of this Act are or shall be authorized or directed to be imposed on any person, shall and may be recovered in a summary way before any two Justices of the Peace, in the manner provided by "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866," so far as the same relates to summary proceedings, or by any Act repealing or amending the same or for the like purposes.

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20. If through any act neglect or default on account whereof any person shall have incurred any penalty imposed by or by virtue of this Act, any damage to the property of the Council shall have been committed by such person, he shall be liable to make good such damage as well as to pay such penalty, and the amount of such damages shall, in case of dispute, be determined by the Justices by whom the party incurring such penalty shall have been convicted, and shall be leviable by distress and sale, as in the case of judgments by two Justices.

Damage to be made good in addition to penalty.

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## RAISING MONEYS.

21. For the purpose of constructing the gasworks and carrying out the undertaking, or for the purchase of any such existing gasworks as aforesaid, the Council may borrow and take up at interest not exceeding per cent. per annum any sum of money not exceeding in the whole such sum as shall be authorized by any special Act of the General Assembly for that purpose; and the money which the Council shall be expressly authorized to borrow shall be in addition to any moneys which it is authorized to raise or borrow for any purpose other than gasworks.

Power to borrow money for purposes of undertaking.

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22. In respect of the principal moneys to be raised as aforesaid, and of the interest for the same, the Council may either issue debentures for sums of not less than fifty pounds each, or grant mortgages for sums of not less than five hundred pounds each, in each case charged upon all rates and sums of money to be receivable and payable under the provisions of this Act as hereinafter mentioned: Provided always that there shall be no priority as between debenture holders or mortgages respectively, but they shall respectively hold their securities *pari passu*.

Debentures or mortgages may be given.

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23. The principal and interest moneys to be secured as aforesaid shall be payable in New Zealand or elsewhere as the Council may determine, and the debentures and mortgages respectively may be made redeemable in such manner and at such time or times, not exceeding fifty years from the issuing or making of the same respectively, as the Council may determine.

Moneys how payable.

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24. In case the moneys to be raised as aforesaid or any part thereof shall be secured by debentures, such debentures shall be in the form prescribed in Schedule A to this Act, or as near thereto as may be, and shall be sealed with the common seal of the Council, and be signed on behalf of the Council by the Mayor, and countersigned by one Councillor; and separate coupons for each payment of interest, in the form in the said Schedule A, shall be attached to each debenture, and shall be signed and countersigned in like manner.

Form of debenture.

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25. Every debenture and coupon to be issued as aforesaid shall pass by delivery only, and all rights and remedies in respect of such debenture shall be vested in and belong to the several holders thereof for the time being as though they were expressly named therein.

Debentures to pass by delivery.

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26. No debenture coupon or mortgage to be issued or made as aforesaid shall be liable to stamp duty under any laws for the time being in force in New Zealand.

No stamp duty to attach.

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27. The Council may offer such debentures or any of them for sale in such manner and at such time or times as it shall think fit.

Council may sell debentures.

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28. All debentures and mortgages which may be issued or made under the authority of this Act shall, so far as regards the rates and moneys accruing under this Act, have priority over all mortgages or charges subsisting at the time of the passing of this Act, and granted by the Council under the authority of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," or any Act amending the same or supplemental thereto, or otherwise relating to Municipal Corporations in New Zealand, and over all mortgages or charges to be hereafter granted by the Council

Debentures and mortgages to be prior charge on moneys receivable under Act.

under the like authority, not expressly charged upon the rates and moneys accruing under this Act.

Power to borrow to redeem loan at date fixed for repayment.

**29.** If at the time appointed by any debenture or mortgage for the payment of the principal money secured thereby the Council are unable to pay off the same, they may, if they shall think fit, borrow such sum of money as may be necessary for the purpose of paying off the whole or any part of such principal money, and may charge the repayment of the same, and the interest to be paid thereon, in manner hereinbefore authorized in regard to the moneys to be borrowed under the provisions of this Act. 5

Mortgages to be by deed.

**30.** Every mortgage authorized to be made under this Act shall be by deed, truly stating the date consideration and the time and place of payment, and shall be sealed with the common seal of the Council. 10

Registry of debentures and mortgages to be kept.

**31.** There shall be kept at the office of the Council a register of all debentures and mortgages issued and made under the authority of this Act; and within fourteen days after the date of any debenture or mortgage an entry shall be made in the register of the number and date thereof, and of the names and descriptions of the parties thereto, as stated in the debenture or mortgage, as the case may be; and every such register shall be open to public inspection during office hours at the said office, without fee or reward. And any clerk or other person having the custody of the same refusing to allow such inspection, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds. 15 20

Power to transfer mortgages.

**32.** Any mortgagee or other person entitled to any such mortgage may transfer his estate and interest therein to any other person by deed truly stating its date and the consideration for the transfer; and there shall be kept at the office of the Council a register of the transfers of mortgages, and within thirty days after the date of such deed of transfer, if executed within the Colony of New Zealand, or within thirty days after its arrival in the Colony of New Zealand or executed elsewhere, the same shall be produced to the Council or to the person having charge of the register, who shall upon payment of two shillings and sixpence cause an entry to be made in such register of its date and of the names and descriptions of the parties thereto, as stated in the transfer; and upon any transfer being so registered, the transferee, his executors administrators or assigns, shall be entitled to the full benefit of the original mortgage, and the principal and interest secured thereby; and every such transferee may in like manner transfer his estate and interest in any such mortgage; and no person except the person to whom the same shall have been last transferred, and whose transfer shall have been registered, his executors administrators or assigns, shall be entitled to release or discharge any such mortgage or any money secured thereby. 25 30 35 40

Interest to be paid half-yearly.

**33.** The interest secured by any debenture or mortgage authorized to be issued or made under this Act shall, unless otherwise provided, be paid half-yearly. 45

Power to levy special rate.

**34.** For the purpose of securing the payment of the principal and interest of any loan which may be contracted by the Council as aforesaid, the Council may make a special rate upon all rateable property within the city, not exceeding in any one year the sum of one shilling in the pound of the annual value of such property; and such special rate shall as near as practicable be in the form contained in the Seventeenth Schedule to "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867." 50 55

pecial rate to be paid half-yearly.

**35.** Every such special rate shall be payable by the ratepayers, after the issue of any debentures or mortgages as aforesaid, at such intervals not exceeding half a year as the Council shall in and by the special order for making such rate appoint; and every such special rate shall, without any further proceeding by the Council or otherwise,

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be and continue to be an annual recurring rate upon every rateable tenement at any time situated within the area composing the borough at the time of the making of such special rate, according to the annual value of each such tenement as appearing by the valuation last made affecting such tenement, until all moneys due in respect of the moneys hereby authorized to be raised shall have been satisfied.

5 **36.** Save where it is herein otherwise expressly provided, or there is something in the context repugnant thereto, all the provisions contained in "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," and any Act or Acts amending the same relating to rates, shall apply to every such special rate as aforesaid; and every such special rate shall be deemed, for the purposes of the said provisions, to have been made, in each year, upon each such rateable tenement as aforesaid, at and upon the expiration of each successive period of twelve months from the date of the special order by which such rate shall have been first made.

Provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," to apply to rates under this Act.

10 **37.** The Council shall, and they are hereby required once at least in every successive period of twelve months after the date of the special order for making such rate, cause to be made for the borough such valuation as is authorized by the provisions contained in "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867:" Provided that if within any year a valuation has already been made under the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," such valuation may be adopted for the purposes of this Act for such year.

Valuation to be made annually.

15 **38.** At and upon the expiration of each successive period of twelve months, the special rate made under the provisions of this Act shall be amended by the Council, or if not, and so far as not then amended, shall be and take effect as if amended, so as to conform, as regards every separate rateable tenement for the time being within the borough and affected by such rate, to the valuation affecting such property which shall have been made by the Council.

Amendment of rate.

20 **39.** Notwithstanding anything in "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," to the contrary, the limit of rates to be made and levied within the borough, as fixed by the two hundred and forty-eighth section of the said Act, may be exceeded by the Council for the purposes of this Act to the extent authorized by this Act.

Limit of rate.

30 **40.** Save where it is herein otherwise provided, or there is something in the context or subject-matter repugnant thereto, all the provisions contained in "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," or any Acts supplemental thereto, relating to the recovery of rates, shall apply to the special rate within the borough payable and recoverable under the provisions of this Act.

Recovery of gas rates.

40 **41.** The Council may supply any person or body politic or corporate outside of the boundaries of the borough with gas at such rent and upon such terms and conditions as shall from time to time be agreed upon between the Council and the persons desirous of having such supply, and may for that purpose cause pipes to be laid down and gas to be supplied: Provided always that in every agreement to be made for any such gas supply as is authorized by this section, there shall be a clause empowering the Council at any time at their absolute discretion, on giving three calendar months' previous notice, to discontinue such supply without being liable to make any compensation in respect of the same, or of the discontinuance thereof, or in any wise relating thereto.

Power to supply gas outside city.

50 **42.** All the powers given to the Council by this Act to carry out works for the supply of gas within the borough shall, so far as they can be applied and used for such purpose, apply and may be used by the Council for the purpose of supplying gas outside of the boundaries of the borough, and all moneys received by the Council in respect of such last-mentioned supply shall be deemed to be moneys applicable to the purposes of this Act.

Power to construct works for carrying out such supply.

Moneys to be applied  
in construction of  
gasworks.

43. The principal moneys borrowed by the Council under the authority of this Act shall be applied only in the construction of the gasworks, and otherwise in defraying the cost of the undertaking, and of all works and conveniences connected with the supply of gas under the provisions of this Act.

Building Societies,  
&c., may advance  
money.

44. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act relating to Building or any other Benefit Societies in New Zealand, or in the existing rules of any such society to the contrary, it shall be lawful for the governing body of any such society to invest in any debenture or mortgage to be made under the provisions of this Act any accumulated funds which under the provisions of any Act relating to Building or other Benefit Societies or any rules thereof, may be invested in real or Government securities.

Account to be kept  
of all moneys bor-  
rowed and spent.

45. The Council shall cause a separate account to be kept of all moneys borrowed and expended by them for the purposes of the undertaking, and of the matters and things for which such moneys shall have been disbursed and paid, and such account shall be balanced once in every year at least; and a balance sheet in respect of the gasworks, exhibiting a true statement of the credits and property of every description belonging to and of the debts due by the Council relating thereto, at the date of making such balance sheet, together with distinct separate statement of the profit or loss which shall have arisen in respect of the gasworks during the period to which such account shall extend or relate, shall also at least once in every year, be prepared and made out, and both of such accounts shall be examined by the Council and signed by the Chairman for the time being thereof.

Gasworks Account.

46. The Council shall also keep a separate account, to be called "The Gasworks Account;" and all moneys which shall be received from payments made in respect of gas supplied, or from any source whatever connected with or relating to the gasworks, shall be carried to such account, and shall be applied and disposed of as follows, that is to say,—

- (1.) In paying the interest of all moneys borrowed or which shall from time to time be due and owing on the credit of such account or the undertaking.
- (2.) In setting apart and appropriating the sum to be set apart as a sinking fund for paying off the principal moneys which have been borrowed under this Act.
- (3.) In paying the costs and expenses of maintaining the gasworks, and in maintaining repairing removing and altering the works and conveniences connected therewith and in any way incidental thereto.
- (4.) In paying off all moneys due on the credit of the afore-said account or the undertaking.
- (5.) Any surplus which may remain shall be carried to the credit of the sinking fund for paying off the principal moneys which have been borrowed under this Act.

Part XI. of "Muni-  
cipal Corporations  
Act, 1867," to apply.

47. All the provisions of Part XI. of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," relating to accounts, shall, so far as the same are not repugnant to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, apply to all accounts to be kept by the Council under the provisions of this Act.

Council to appoint  
officers.

48. The Council may, by any instrument under the seal of the Council, appoint any officers or persons whom they shall think necessary for the purpose of carrying out or conducting the undertaking; and every person so appointed shall have and possess, and may exercise as far as may be necessary for the purposes of the undertaking, all the powers and authorities by this Act given to the Council.



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49. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to exempt the gasworks by this Act authorized to be constructed or purchased from the provisions of any general Act relating to gasworks in this Colony which may hereafter pass during the present or any future Session of the Legislature.

Act not to interfere with general Gasworks Act to be afterwards passed.

50. Before any Council shall take or adopt any proceedings for or towards the construction or purchase of gasworks under the provisions of this Act, or borrowing money for such purposes, such Council shall cause a notice in the form or to the effect mentioned in Schedule B to this Act to be published at least once in each week for eight successive weeks in some newspaper published and current within the borough, if any newspaper be published within the borough; but if no newspaper be published within the borough, then in some newspaper current within the same.

Notice of intention to carry out works to be published.

51. In case a number of ratepayers for the time being qualified and entitled to vote in the election of Councillors within the borough, representing not less than two-fifths of the whole number of votes for the borough, shall, before the expiration of two calendar months next after the first publication of such notice as last aforesaid, deliver to the Superintendent of the Province within which is situate the borough, a notice in writing signed by them, in the form or to the effect in Schedule C to this Act, then the Council shall not take or adopt any proceedings for or towards the construction or purchase of the proposed gasworks without the authority of the General Assembly of New Zealand, to be embodied in an Act for that purpose.

Ratepayers may object to undertaking.

52. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of such Province as aforesaid, at the expiration of the period hereinbefore fixed for the delivery to him of the notice in Schedule C to this Act, in case such notice shall not have been duly delivered pursuant to the provisions of this Act, to publish in the *New Zealand Gazette* a notification that such notice has not been delivered, and that the undertaking will be carried out under the provisions of this Act; and from and after the publication of such last-mentioned notification, the undertaking shall be deemed to be to all intents and purposes a duly-authorized undertaking.

Non-delivery of notice of objection to be notified in *New Zealand Gazette*.

The Superintendent to whom any such notice has been delivered may ascertain, by such ways and means as he shall think fit, whether the notice has been signed by the requisite number of ratepayers.

53. The provisions in Parts IX., X., and XII. of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," shall be deemed to apply to this Act, so far as the same are not inconsistent therewith.

Parts IX., X., and XII. of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," to apply.

SCHEDULES.

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SCHEDULE A.

Number	BOROUGH OF £	GASWORKS LOAN OF £ Debenture for £
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Payable at the Office of the Municipal Council in the Borough of \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
 Issued by the Corporation of the Borough of \_\_\_\_\_, New Zealand, under  
 an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Municipal  
 Corporations Gasworks Act, 1874."

N.B.—The holder of this Debenture has no claim in respect thereof upon the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, or upon the Provincial Government of the Province of \_\_\_\_\_, or on the Revenue thereof.

On presentation of this Debenture at the Office of the Municipal Council in the Borough of \_\_\_\_\_ on or after the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, the bearer thereof will be entitled to receive £ \_\_\_\_\_

Interest on this Debenture will cease after the day when the payment falls due, unless default is made in payment.

Issued under the Seal of the Corporation, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_.

Signed—  
 Mayor.  
 Countersigned—  
 Councillor.

(COUPON.)

Debenture No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the Corporation of the Borough of  
New Zealand, issued under "The Municipal Corporations Gasworks Act, 1874."  
Due \_\_\_\_\_

ON presentation of this Coupon at the Office of the Municipal Council in the Borough  
of \_\_\_\_\_ on or after the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, the bearer hereof will be  
entitled to receive £ \_\_\_\_\_.

Signed—

Mayor.

Countersigned—

Councillor.

## SCHEDULE B.

NOTICE is hereby given, that, pursuant to the powers contained in "The Municipal  
Corporations Gasworks Act, 1874," the Council of the Borough [*or City, as the case may  
be*] of \_\_\_\_\_ intend to construct [*or purchase, as the case may be*] gasworks for supply-  
ing the borough [*or city*] with gas, and that the amount to be raised by way of loan for  
that purpose is £ \_\_\_\_\_; and that in case their intention is objected to within two  
calendar months from the first publication of this notice, application will be made to the  
General Assembly of New Zealand at its next Session for authority to construct [*or  
purchase*] the said works.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_.

A.B., Mayor.

## SCHEDULE C.

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE PROVINCE OF \_\_\_\_\_

SIR,—

We the undersigned ratepayers within the Borough [*or City, as the case may be*]  
of \_\_\_\_\_, now qualified and entitled to vote in the election of Councillors for the said  
borough [*or city*], hereby give notice that we object to the construction [*or purchase, as  
the case may be*] of the gasworks mentioned in the notice dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, published in the \_\_\_\_\_ newspaper.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_.

By Authority: GEORGE DIDSBUY, Government Printer, Wellington.