

payment to the Treasurer of *five shillings*, and such certificate shall be taken and considered as *prima facie* evidence of such absence or illness, at and during the period in the said certificate mentioned in all proceedings for or against the said Company in Courts of Justice, or otherwise. 5

Appointment
of Auditors.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That every such Annual General Meeting shall have power to appoint not exceeding three Auditors to audit all accounts of money laid out and disbursed on account of the said undertaking, by the 10 Treasurer, Receiver and Receivers, and other Officer and Officers to be by their said Committee appointed, or by any other person or persons whatsoever, employed by, or concerned for or under them, in and about the said undertaking, and to that purpose shall have power to ad- 15 journ themselves over from time to time, and from place to place, as shall be thought convenient by them.

Directors to
take calls—
to direct and
manage con-
tract purchase,
&c., &c.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That the said Directors assembled by the authority of this Act, shall have power from time to time to make such call or calls 20 of money from the Proprietors of the said undertaking, to defray the expense of, or to carry on the same, as they from time to time shall find wanting and necessary for these purposes: Provided, however, that no call do exceed the sum of two pounds ten shillings 25 per share of twenty-five pounds, and provided also, that not less than two calendar months be allowed between any two calls made;—and such Directors shall have full power and authority to direct and manage all and every the affairs of the said Company of Proprietors, as well as 30 contracting for and purchasing lands, rights and materials for the use of the said undertaking, as in employing, ordering and directing the work and workmen; and in placing and removing under-officers, clerks, servants and agents, and in making all contracts and bargains touching 35 the said undertaking, so that no such purchase, bargain or other matter, be done or transacted without the concurrence of a majority of such Directors, and the owner or owners of one or more shares in the said undertaking, shall pay his, her or their shares and proportion of the 40 monies to be collected for as aforesaid, to such person or persons, and at such time and place as the said Directors shall from time to time appoint and direct, of which three weeks notice at least shall be given in the Gazette, or in such other manner as the said Proprietors or their suc- 45 cessors shall at any General Meeting direct or appoint, and if any person or persons shall neglect or refuse to pay his, her or their rateable or proportionable part or share of the said money, to be called for as aforesaid, at the time and place appointed by such general meeting or 50 Board of Directors, he, she or they neglecting or refusing, shall forfeit a sum not exceeding *five pounds*, for every