

BILL.

An Act to Incorporate "The Welland Canal Gas Light
and Water Company."

- W**HEREAS the Lighting of the Line of the Welland Canal, the Town of St. Catharines and the Village of Thorold with Gas, and supplying the said Town with Water, would be of great public advantage ; and whereas, James R. Benson, George Rykert, Henry Mittleberger, William Hamilton Merritt, the younger, John L. Helliwell, Joseph P. Boomer, Thomas Whan, William McGivinn, Richard Wodruff, Thomas Shaw, Theophilus Mack, M.D., and William Eccles, have by their petition prayed that they the said James R. Benson, George Rykert, Henry Mittleberger, William Hamilton Merritt, the younger, John L. Helliwell, Joseph P. Boomer, Thomas Whan, William McGivinn, Richard Wodruff, Thomas Shaw, Theophilus Mack, M.D. and William Eccles, and others, who may become associated with them in their undertaking, may be incorporated under the name of "The Welland Canal Gas Light and Water Company," for the purpose of better enabling them to Light the said Town of Saint Catharines, the said Village of Thorold and the Welland Canal with Gas, and to supply the said Town of Saint Catharines and its vicinity with Water; Be it therefore enacted, &c., That the said James R. Benson George Rykert, Henry Mittleberger, William Hamilton Merritt, the younger, John L. Helliwell, Joseph P. Boomer, Thomas Whan, William McGivinn, Richard Woodruff, Thomas Shaw, Theophilus Mack, M. D., and William Eccles, and all such persons as shall hereafter become stockholders of the said Company hereby established, shall be and are hereby ordained, constituted and declared, to be a body corporate and politic in law, in fact and in name, by the style and title of "The Welland Canal and Gas Light and Water Company," and they and their successors and assigns shall and may have the power to purchase and acquire lands, tenements and hereditaments for them and their assigns and successors for the use of the said Gas and Water Works, and also to sell and convey any lands so purchased or acquired ; Provided always, the lands to be holden by the said Company shall be held for the purposes for which the said Company is incorporated, in constructing their necessary works and for no other purposes whatsoever, and shall not at any time exceed in value five thousand pounds.
- II. And be it enacted, That the said Company may raise and contribute among themselves such sum as shall not exceed the sum of twelve thousand five hundred pounds in shares of ten pounds each, and the money so raised shall be

Preamble.

Certain persons incorporated.

Capital £12,500 in shares of £10;