

be *prima facie* evidence that the half years' interest therein mentioned has been paid according to the tenor of such Debenture: and all the provisions of this Section shall apply as well to the Debentures heretofore issued as to those to be issued after the passing of this Act; 5 and all such Debentures, and as well the interest as the principal thereof, are and shall be secured on the general Funds of the said Corporation, as well as by the special privilege on the Water Works, mentioned in the fifteenth section of the Act first above cited. 10

Corporation may renounce the right given them by Sect. 21 of 10 Vict. c. 113.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, if they shall think fit, to renounce with regard to any such debentures (whether issued before or after the passing of this Act) the benefit of the twenty first section of the Act first cited in the preamble to this 15 Act, empowering the Corporation to call in debentures at any time prior to the date at which the same may be made payable, and such renunciation being expressed in the body of any debenture, or written thereupon, after the issuing thereof, and signed by the Mayor, shall prevent 20 the said Section from applying to such debenture.

Corporation may at any time pass By-laws imposing a Water-rate, but it shall not be payable until they are ready to supply the Water.

IV. And be it enacted, That for and notwithstanding anything in the said Acts, or either of them, it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, at any time after the passing of this Act, to specify and declare, by a by- 25 law, that the proprietors or occupiers of houses, stores, and similar buildings, in the said City, shall be subject to the annual rate or assessment, payable at the periods to be fixed by such by-law, to the said Corporation; but such rate or assessment shall not be payable by 30 the proprietors or occupiers of any such house, store, or building in the said City, until after the said Corporation shall have notified him that they are prepared and ready to supply such house, store or building, with water, under the provisions of the said Acts; and if from the time of 35 such notification to the next period appointed for the payment of such rate or assessment there shall be any broken period, then such rate or assessment shall be payable *pro rata* for such broken period, as if accruing day by day; but the rate *per annum* shall not exceed that 40 limited by the Act secondly cited in the preamble to this Act.

Limitation of rate declared not to apply to certain special cases mentioned in 13 & 14 Vict. c. 100.

V. Provided always, and be it declared and enacted, That the limitation of the said rate or assessment does not and shall not extend to the cases mentioned in the 45 fourth section of the Act secondly cited in the Preamble to this Act, but that it shall always be lawful for the said Corporation to notify the proprietor or occupier of any brewery, distillery, manufactory, livery stable or hotel, or of any building or premises in which a steam engine is 50