## No. 276.]

## BILL

**[1856.** 

## An Act to alter and further to amend the Act incorporating the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company, of the City of Toronto.

THEREAS the Corporation of the City of Toronto, as well as other Preamble. Corporations, have by their Petitions set forth, that it would be for the interest and advantage of the inhabitants of the City of Toronto, as well as of the other Corporations referred to, that further powers be grant-5 ed to the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company constituted under the Act 16 Victoria, chapter 250; Therefore-Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. The said Company may erect Gas and Water Works, or either of Company may 10 them, in any Municipality, or may contract with any Municipal Council, errect works Company, or Individual, for the erection of Gas and Water Works, or either any where of them; provided however, that such erection shall not be done without body. first having obtained the consent of such Municipality under and by virtue Proviso. of a By-law of the Municipality (otherwise than that of the City of Toronto) 15 within which the same is intended to be erected.

II. So much of the third section of the said Act as relates to the issuing Company may of Scrip and Debentures in the name of the said Company, and limits the is us debenof Scrip and Depentures in the name of the said Company, and units the tares for not same to sums not less than twelve pounds and ten shillings each, is hereby altered and amended, so that the same may be issued in sums of not £2 10s. each.

20 less than two pounds and ten shillings each, and that the same shall be made receivable by the Company at all times, in payment for Gas or Water Rents at par.

III. The said Company may sell and dispose of surplus coals and coke May sell surin addition to the articles enumerated in the twenty-sixth section of the plus coke or 25 said Act.

IV. Any Municipality in which Water Works are established under Municipalities this Act, may, for the purposes of this Act, levy such Annual Water Rate may levy upon the rateable property of the Municipality as will pay a dividend water rates. per cent. per annum, upon the capital of the Comnot exceeding 30 pany expended in such Municipality, such expenditure not to exceed the amount fixed in the By-law of the Municipality authorising the crection of such Works; Provided always, that no rate shall be levied on the Proviso. property of any resident of such Municipality, until the said Company shall have laid the water on the street in which he resides, and shall be in 35 a position to supply him therewith.

V. This Act shall be deemed a public Act.

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