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An Act to incorporate the Saint Stephen's Gas Light Company. Passed 12th April 1856.

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1. Company incorporated.
2. Power to hold property and execute works.
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4. Authority to form connections with other Companies.
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Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly as follows:—

1. That Stephen H. Hitchings, William Todd, George S. Hill, John M'Adam, Noah Smith, Junior, Seth W. Smith, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of "The Saint Stephen's Gas Light Company," and are vested with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the restrictions and liabilities made incident to a Corporation by Act of Assembly in this Province,

2. Said Corporation is authorized to hold all such real and personal estate as may be necessary and proper to enable them to carry on the manufacture of Gas for the purpose of lighting the streets, factories, and all other buildings and works in the Parish of Saint Stephen and County of Charlotte, and to construct such reservoirs, gas holders, gas pipes, and other things as may be necessary and proper for such purpose; provided the whole amount of the capital stock of said Company shall not exceed thirty five thousand pounds.

3. Said Corporation shall have the right to lay gas pipes in any of the public streets or highways of said Parish of Saint Stephen; provided always, that the said Company shall at their own proper cost and charges, and to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Streets and Highways for the said Parish for the time being, and without unnecessary delay, repair and replace in good condition the said streets and highways in every part where the said Company may break up or open the same; and on neglect or refusal so to do, the said Commissioners may cause the same to be repaired, and sue for and recover the expense incurred therein from the said Company in any Court of Record in the Province.

4. Said Corporation shall have the right to make such connection with other Gas Light Companies or Company within or without the Province, either by leasing their works to other Corporations or Corporation, or by consolidating the stock of their Company with that of other Gas Light Companies or Company, or in any other way they may think proper, and upon such terms and for such length of time as may be agreed upon.

5. Any two of the persons named in the first Section of this Act may call the first meeting of the said Corporation, by notice published in any Newspaper printed in said County of Charlotte seven days at least before the day of meeting; and at such meeting bye laws may be adopted, and all necessary officers chosen for managing the affairs of said Corporation.