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An Act to extend the powers of The Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto. Assented to 23rd May, 1853.

Whereas *The Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto*, and also many of the Inhabitants of Yorkville, in the immediate vicinity of the City of Toronto, have petitioned the Legislature, that the said Company be allowed to extend their works and pipes beyond the limits of the City and into the said Village, Town or Municipality of Yorkville, and other parts of the Township of York adjoining the said City, and it is expedient to allow the same to be done: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said *The Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto*, to break up, dig and trench so much and so many of the public streets, roads, squares, highways and other public places either of the said City of Toronto, or of the said Municipality, Town or Village of Yorkville, and of the Township of York adjacent to the said City of Toronto, as may at any time be necessary or required for laying down the mains and pipes to conduct the Gas from the works of the said Company to the Consumers thereof, whether within or beyond the said limits of the said City of Toronto, or into, through or over any part of Yorkville aforesaid, or of the said Township of York, or for taking up, renewing, altering or repairing the same whenever the said Company or their successors shall deem it expedient; And generally that it shall be lawful for said Company, and their successors, to do every necessary act, matter and thing, beyond the limits of the said City of Toronto, for the purpose of extending their said works, pipes and mains beyond the said limits into the said Municipality of Yorkville, or other parts of the said Township of York adjacent to said City, and for supplying the Gas to the Consumers thereof living beyond such limits, in the same manner as the said Company now have power to do the same within the said City of Toronto.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Company shall enjoy all the powers and privileges now enjoyed by them by law, and shall be subject to all the same duties and responsibilities that they are now subject to by law, in extending their works, pipes or mains beyond the said limits under the authority of this Act; the Municipality into whose jurisdiction they may so enter, being substituted in all suitable cases for the Municipality of the City of Toronto.

III. And be it enacted, That if any person or persons, body or bodies, whether principals or workmen, or party employing such, shall, within or beyond the limits of the said City of Toronto, join or connect any pipe to the main or service pipes of the said Company, or shall, in any way, join or connect any pipe for the supply of any light or burner, to any pipe whatever containing Gas, or used to contain or convey Gas, without having first received the consent of the Company or their

Manager or Clerk in writing, then such person or persons, or party employing such shall, for every offence, forfeit and pay to the said Company the sum of Twenty-five Pounds currency, and also a further sum of One Pound for each day such pipe shall so remain, or be imprisoned for the term of two calendar months in the Common Gaol of the County, on being convicted thereof by any Court of competent jurisdiction.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Company to buy, sell or dispose of in any way, any coal, surplus coal, or coal required for making Gas, or not found to answer for making Gas, and to buy, sell, lease or hire all meters, interior or service pipes, mains or Gas fittings, Lamps or Gas apparatus, and to employ the necessary workmen for putting up fittings generally.

V. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be held to be a Public Act.