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Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 23 April, 1874. STEPHEN W. JONES, Clerk of Legislative Assembly,

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## VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

An Act to incorporate the "Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company."

WHEREAS a Joint Stock Company called the "Anvil Creek Coal Preamble.

Mining Company" has been lately established at Sydney in the Colony of New South Wales under and subject to the rules regulations and provisions contained in a certain deed of settlement bearing date the eighteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three and by the said deed the several parties thereto have respectively covenanted and agreed that they should form and be a Joint Stock Company under the name of "The Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company" and that the objects and business of 10 the Company should be to work or contract for the working of the coal or other mines in or upon any land of which the said Company are or may from time to time be owners or lessees to purchase or lease coal or other mineral lands to follow up and act upon any trade or purpose mentioned in any regulations for the management or conduct 15 of coal or other mines in the said Colony of New South Wales already promulgated or hereafter to be promulgated to purchase the necessary machinery for working the said mines or for testing the mining capabilities of any land purchased or intended so to be purchased by the Company or for draining any mines or any other purpose in connection 20 therewith to export sell or otherwise dispose of all coal or other

minerals to be raised from any land belonging to or leased by the said Company to dispose of the timber or any such land to lease or sell any such lands and to construct railways roads wharves and other matters necessary for the promotion of the objects of the said Company

5 And whereas it was by the said deed of settlement agreed that the capital of the said Company should unless and until increased under the provisions therein contained be thirty thousand pounds and should be divided into thirty thousand shares of one pound each whereas by the said deed provision has been made for the due manage-

10 ment of the affairs of the said Company by directors therein named and by other directors to be from time to time elected and appointed by the shareholders of the said Company And whereas the said Company is desirous of being incorporated under the provisions herein contained and it is expedient that such Company shall be incorporated

15 for the purposes aforesaid Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled as follows—

1. Such and so many persons as have already become or at any Company incorpor-20 time or times hereafter shall and may in the manner provided by and ated. subject to the rules regulations and provisions contained in the said deed of settlement become proprietors of shares of or in the capital for the time being of the said Company shall subject nevertheless to the

conditions regulations and provisions hereinafter contained be one body 25 politic and corporate in name and in deed by the name of "The Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company" and by that name shall and may sue and be sued by any person whether members of the said Corporation or not and shall and may implead and be impleaded answer and be answered unto defend and be defended in all Courts whatsoever at

30 law or in equity and may prefer lay and prosecute any indictment information and prosecution against any person whomsoever for any stealing embezzlement fraud forgery or other crime or offence and in all indictments informations and prosecutions it shall be lawful to state the money and goods effects bills notes securities or other pro-

35 perty of the said Company to be the money goods effects bills notes securities or other property of the said Corporation and to designate the said Company by its corporate name whenever for the purpose of any allegation of an intent to defraud or otherwise howsoever such designation shall be necessary and the said Corporation shall have per-

40 petual succession with a common seal which may be altered varied and changed from time to time at the pleasure of the said Corporation.

2. The several rules regulations clauses provisions and agree- Deed of settlement ments contained in the said deed of settlement or to be made under confirmed. or by virtue or in pursuance thereof or of this Act shall be deemed and 45 considered to be and shall be the by-laws for the time being of the said Corporation and shall be of the same force and effect as if the same had been herein specially enacted save and except in so far as any of them are or shall be altered varied or repealed by or are or shall be inconsistent or incompatible with or repugnant to any of the 50 provisions of this Act or of any laws now or hereafter to be in force in the said colony.

3. All lands railways mining and other plant rolling stock and All property belong machinery now belonging to the mines mentioned in the said deed of to be vested in the settlement or used in connection therewith and all other property Corporations hereby belonging to the said Company or held by any trustee for the said incorporated. Company according to the estate and interest therein and the nature and quality thereof respectively shall be and is hereby transferred to and vested in the said Corporation hereby incorporated.

4. It shall be lawful for the said Corporation to purchase take Company may hold hold and enjoy to them and their successors for any estate term of property. years or interest or under license any coal or other mineral lands whatsoever and all such houses offices buildings and other lands and handitaments as man be

5 hereditaments as may be necessary and proper for the purpose of managing conducting and carrying on the affairs concerns and business of the said Corporation and to sell convey and assign assure lease and otherwise dispose of or act in respect of such coal or other mineral lands houses offices buildings and other lands and hereditaments as

10 occasion may require without incurring any penalties or forfeitures.

5. It shall and may be lawful to and for all persons who are or Conveyance to the shall be otherwise competent so to do to grant sell alien and convey Corporation. demise assign assure and dispose of unto and to the use of the said Corporation and their successors for the purposes aforesaid or any of 15 them any such houses offices lands mines hereditaments and other

real and personal estate.

6. It shall be lawful for the said Corporation from time to Increase of capital. time to extend or increase its capital for the time being by the creation and disposal of new shares in the manner specified and set 20 forth and subject to the rules regulations and provisions contained in

the hereinbefore in part recited deed of settlement. 7. The Corporation shall not be bound in any manner by any Trusts or equitable

trust or equitable interests or demands affecting any shares of the interests affecting capital standing in the name of any person as the ostensible proprietor 25 thereof or be required to take any notice of such trusts or equitable

interests or demands but the receipt of the person in whose name the shares shall stand in the books of the Corporation shall notwithstanding such trusts or equitable interests or demands and notice thereof to the said Corporation be a good valid and conclusive dis-

30 charge to the Corporation for or in respect of any dividend or other money payable by the said Corporation in respect of such shares and a transfer of the said shares in accordance with the regulations in that behalf contained in the said deed of settlement by the person in whose name such shares shall so stand shall notwithstanding as aforesaid be

35 binding and conclusive so far as may concern the said Corporation against all persons claiming by virtue of such trusts or equitable interests or demands Provided always that nothing therein contained shall be deemed or taken to interfere or abridge the rights and power of a Court of Equity with respect to dividends or moneys

40 which shall not have been paid by the Corporation or to shares which may not have been transferred by the Corporation or restrain the payment of any such dividend or money payable by the Corporation in respect of any shares or the transfer of any shares or to direct the payment of such dividends or money by the Corporation or the 45 transfer of such shares by the person in whose name they may stand

to such other person as such Court may think fit.

8. If at the time appointed for the payment of any call any Enforcement of calls shareholder shall fail to pay the amount of such call it shall be lawful by action. for the Corporation to sue such shareholder for the amount thereof in 50 any Court of Law or Equity having competent jurisdiction and to recover the same with interest thereon and in any action or suit for the recovery thereof it shall be sufficient for the Company to declare Declaration in suits that the defendant is the holder of so many shares (stating the number) to recover calls and is indebted to the Company in such sum of money as the calls in 55 arrear shall amount to in respect thereof (stating the number and

amount of each of such calls) whereby an action or suit hath accrued to Matter to be proved the Company and on the trial or hearing of such action or suit it shall in action for calls. be sufficient to prove that the defendant at the time of making such call was a holder of so many shares in the Corporation and that such

call was in fact made by persons acting as directors of the Corporation and that such notice thereof has been given as is directed by the said deed of settlement and it shall not be necessary to prove the appointment of the directors who made such call nor any other matter 5 whatever and thereupon the Corporation shall be entitled to recover what shall be due upon such call and interest thereon and the production of the register of shareholders shall be prima facie evidence of such defendant being a shareholder and of the number and amount of his shares.

9. The power of the directors to make contracts on behalf Contracts by of the Corporation may lawfully be exercised as follows (that is to directors how to be entered into. 10 say)

With respect to any contract which if made between private persons would be by law required to be in writing and under seal the directors may make such contract on behalf of the Corporation in writing and under the common seal of the Corporation and in the same manner may vary or discharge the same.

With respect to any contract which if made between private persons would be by law required to be in writing and signed by the parties to be charged therewith the directors may make such contract on behalf of the Corporation in writing signed by any two of the directors and in the same manner

may vary or discharge the same.

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With respect to any contract which if made between private persons would by law be valid although made by parol only 25 and not reduced into writing the directors may make such contract on behalf of the Corporation by parol only without writing and in the same manner may vary or discharge the 30 same and all contracts made according to the provisions herein contained shall be effectual in law and shall be binding upon the Corporation and their successors and all other parties thereto their heirs executors or administrators as the case may be and on any default in the execution of any such 35 contract either by the Corporation or any other party thereto such action or suit may be brought either by or against the Corporation as might be brought had the same contracts been made between private parties only.

10. Nothing herein contained shall prejudice or be deemed to contracts &c. under 40 prejudice any call made or any contract or other act deed matter or the deed of settlething entered into made or done by the said Company prior to or ment before Act. under or by virtue of the said deed of settlement before this Act shall come into operation but the same call contract act deed matter or thing shall be as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as

45 if this Act had not been passed and may be enforced in like manner as if the said Company had been incorporated before the same call contract act deed matter or thing had been made entered into or done.

11. Every officer employed by the Corporation shall from time Officers to account on to time when required by the directors make out and deliver to them demand. 50 or to any person appointed by them for that purpose a true and perfect account in writing under his hands of all moneys received by him on behalf of the Corporation and such account shall state from whom and for what consideration such moneys shall have been received and how and to whom and for what purpose such moneys shall have been dis-55 posed of and together with such account such officer shall deliver the

vouchers and receipts for such payments and every such officer shall pay to the directors or to any person appointed by them to receive the same all moneys which shall appear to be owing from him on the balance of such accounts.

12. If any such officer fail to render such account or to deliver summary remedy up all the vouchers and receipts relating to the same in his possession against parties failing to account. or power or to pay the balance thereof when thereunto required or if for three days after being thereunto required he fail to deliver up to 5 the directors or to any person appointed by them to receive the same all papers and writings property effects matters and things in his possession or power relating or belonging to the Corporation then on complaint thereof being made to a Justice such Justice shall summon such officer to appear before two or more Justices at a time and place 10 to be set forth in such summons to answer such charge and upon the appearance of such officer or in his absence upon proof that such summons was personally served upon him or left at his known place of abode such Justices may hear and determine the matter in a summary way and may adjust and declare the balance owing by such officer and if 15 it appear either upon the confession of such officer or upon evidence or upon inspection of the account that any moneys of the Corporation are in the hands of such officer or owing by him to the Corporation

such Justices may order such officer to pay the same and if he fails to pay the amount it shall be lawful for such Justices to grant a 20 warrant to levy the same by distress or in default thereof to commit the offender to gaol for a period not exceeding six months unless the

said amount be sooner paid.

13. If any such officer shall refuse to make out such account officers refusing to in writing or to deliver upon the order of the Justices the several deliver up documents &c. to be imprisoned. 25 vouchers and receipts relating thereto or to deliver up any books papers or writings property effects matters or things in his possession or power belonging to the Corporation such Justices may lawfully commit such offender to gaol there to remain until he shall have delivered up all the vouchers and receipts (if any) in his possession or 30 power relating to such accounts and have delivered up all books papers writings property effects matters and things (if any) in his

possession or power belonging to the Corporation.

14. For the purpose of regulating the conduct of the officers Power to make and events of the Composetion and for providing for the due manage alter by-laws. and servants of the Corporation and for providing for the due manage-35 ment of the affairs of the Corporation in all respects it shall be lawful for the Corporation subject to the provisions herein mentioned from time to time to make such by-laws and regulations as they think fit Provided that such by-laws be not repugnant to the laws of the Colony or to the provisions of this Act or to any resolution of any general 40 meeting of shareholders and such by-laws shall be reduced into writing and shall have affixed thereto the common seal of the Corporation and a copy of such by-laws shall be given to every officer and servant of the Corporation affected thereby.

15. It shall be lawful for the Corporation by such by-laws By-laws to be framed 45 to impose such reasonable penalties upon all persons being officers as the penalties may and servants of the company offending against such by-laws as the be mitigated. corporationthink fit not exceeding five pounds for any one offence Provided that the same shall be so framed as to allow the Justice or Justices before whom any penalties imposed thereby may be sought to 50 be recovered to order a part only of such penalty to be paid if such

16. The production of a printed or written copy of the by-laws Evidence of by-laws. of the Corporation having the common seal of the Corporation affixed thereto shall be sufficient evidence of such by-laws in all proceedings 55 under the same.

17. If any execution either at law or in equity shall have been Execution against issued against the property or effects of the Corporation and if there shareholders. cannot be found sufficient whereon to levy such execution then such execution may be issued against any of the shareholders to an amount 60 equal to the amount of their shares respectively in the capital of the Company in addition to the amount of the said shares Provided always 407—B

that no execution shall issue against any shareholder except upon an order of the Court in which the action suit or other proceeding shall have been brought or instituted made upon motion in open Court after sufficient notice in writing to the persons sought to be charged and upon

5 such motion such Court may order execution to issue accordingly and for the purpose of ascertaining the names of the shareholders and the amount of capital remaining to be paid upon their respective shares it shall be lawful for any person entitled to any such execution at all reasonable times to inspect the shareholders register required by the

10 said deed of settlement to be kept in the office of the Corporation Provided further that nothing herein contained shall shareholders not without fee extend to charge or make liable any shareholder of the Corporation or liable beyond the amount of their his real or personal estate with or for any debt or demand whatever subscribed shares and due or to become due from or by the Corporation or in any wise on an amount equal to such shares.

15 relating to the said undertaking for any of the matters or things authorized by the said deed of settlement or this Act to be made done or completed to a greater extent than the amount of their subscribed shares and a further amount equal to their said subscribed shares any law to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

20 18. If by means of any such execution any shareholder shall Shareholders to be have paid any sum of money beyond the amount then due from him reimbursed amount paid beyond calls in respect of calls he shall forthwith be reimbursed such additional due.

sum by the directors out of the funds of the Corporation.

19. The directors shall have the custody of the common seal custody and use of 25 and the form thereof and all other matters relating thereto shall from corporate seal. time to time be determined at meetings of directors and the directors present at any meeting shall have power to use the common seal for the affairs and concerns of the Corporation and under such seal to authorize and empower any person without such seal to execute any

30 deed and do all or any other such matter and things as may be required to be executed and done on behalf of the Corporation but it shall not be necessary to use the corporate seal in respect of any of the ordinary business of the Corporation or for the appointment of any attorney or solicitor for the prosecution of any action suit or

35 other proceedings or of any officer or servant of the Corporation and such seal may be affixed to any deed or document by the hand of any person whom the directors shall appoint in that behalf and the affixing thereof shall be attested by one director and such person so appointed and in case any conveyance or other instrument under seal shall be

40 executed wherein it appears that such conveyance or other instrument is executed in consideration of a money payment therein stated to have been made to the Corporation such execution shall have no operation in law or shall operate only as an escrow (according as may be indicated in the attestation aforesaid) until the treasurer or other

45 officer charged with the receipts of moneys on behalf of the Corporation shall have certified under his hand at the foot thereof that such consideration money has been duly paid.

20. It shall and may be lawful for the directors in pursuance of Power to borrow on a resolution to that effect to be passed at special general meetings of tures. 50 the shareholders to be called for the purpose from time to time to borrow upon mortgage of the property of the Corporation or upon debentures chargeable thereon issued under the hands of any two of the directors named in such resolutions any sum or sums of money

not exceeding in the whole an amount equal to the paid-up capital of 55 the Company Provided always that the shareholders present at such meeting either in person or by proxy specially given for the occasion shall hold shares representing not less than one-third of the paid-up capital of the Company.

21. Whenever this Act is cited it shall be sufficiently described as Short title. 60 the "Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company's Incorporation Act of 1874."

## ANVIL CREEK COAL MINING COMPANY'S INCORPORATION BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendments referred to in Message of 13th May, 1874.

JOHN J. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 2, preamble, line 2. After "timber" omit "or" insert "on"

3, clause 7, line 37. Omit "therein" insert "herein"

, , , line 38. After "interfere" insert "with"

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5, , 12. Omit clause 12.

, , , 13. Omit clause 13.

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This Private Bill originated in the Legislative Assembly, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 23 April, 1874.

STEPHEN W. JONES, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to this Bill with Amendments.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 13th May, 1874. JOHN J. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.



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An Act to incorporate the "Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company."

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With respect to any contract which if made between private persons would by law be valid although made by parol only 25 and not reduced into writing the directors may make such contract on behalf of the Corporation by parol only without writing and in the same manner may vary or discharge the 30 same and all contracts made according to the provisions herein contained shall be effectual in law and shall be binding upon the Corporation and their successors and all other parties thereto their heirs executors or administrators as the case may be and on any default in the execution of any such 35 contract either by the Corporation or any other party thereto such action or suit may be brought either by or against the Corporation as might be brought had the same contracts been made between private parties only.

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12. If any such officer fail to render such account or to deliver summary remedy up all the voucher's and receipts relating to the same in his possession against parties failing or power or to pay the balance thereof when thereunto required or if for three days after being thereunto required he fail to deliver up to 5 the directors or to any person appointed by them to receive the same all papers and writings property effects matters and things in his possession or power relating or belonging to the Corporation then on complaint thereof being made to a Justice such Justice shall summon such officer to appear before two or more Justices at a time and place 10 to be set forth in such summons to answer such charge and upon the appearance of such officer or in his absence upon proof that such summons was personally served upon him or left at his known place of abode such Justices may hear and determine the matter in a summary way and may adjust and declare the balance owing by such officer and if 15 it appear either upon the confession of such officer or upon evidence or upon inspection of the account that any moneys of the Corporation are in the hands of such officer or owing by him to the Corporation such Justices may order such officer to pay the same and if he fails to pay the amount it shall be lawful for such Justices to grant a 20 warrant to levy the same by distress or in default thereof to commit the offender to galol for a period not exceeding six months unless the

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14. 12. For the purpose of regulating the conduct of the officers Power to make and servants of the Corporation and for providing for the due managed alter by-laws. and servants of the Corporation and for providing for the due manage-35 ment of the affairs of the Corporation in all respects it shall be lawful for the Corporation subject to the provisions herein mentioned from time to time to make such by-laws and regulations as they think fit Provided that such by-laws be not repugnant to the laws of the Colony or to the provisions of this Act or to any resolution of any general 40 meeting of shareholders and such by-laws shall be reduced into writing and shall have affixed thereto the common seal of the Corporation and a copy of such by-laws shall be given to every officer and servant of

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15. It shall be lawful for the Corporation by such by-laws By-laws to be framed 45 to impose such reasonable penalties upon all persons being officers as the penalties and servants of the company offending against such by-laws as the corporation think fit not exceeding five pounds for any one offence. Provided that the same shall be so framed as to allow the Justice or Justices before who many penalties imposed thereby may be sought to so the recovered to order a part only of such penalty to be peid if such 50 be recovered to order a part only of such penalty to be paid if such Justice-think-fit.

16. 13. The production of a printed or written copy of the by-laws Evidence of by-laws. of the Corporation having the common seal of the Corporation affixed thereto shall be sufficient evidence of such by-laws in all proceedings 55 under the same.

17. 14. If any execution either at law or in equity shall have been Execution against issued against the property or effects of the Corporation and if there shareholder cannot be found sufficient whereon to levy such execution then such execution may be issued against any of the shareholders to an amount 60 equal to the amount of their shares respectively in the capital of the Company in addition to the amount of the said shares Provided always 407—B

that no execution shall issue against any shareholder except upon an order of the Court in which the action suit or other proceeding shall have been brought or instituted made upon motion in open Court after sufficient notice in writing to the persons sought to be charged and upon 5 such motion such Court may order execution to issue accordingly and for the purpose of ascertaining the names of the shareholders and the amount of capital remaining to be paid upon their respective shares it shall be lawful for any person entitled to any such execution at all reasonable times to inspect the shareholders register required by the

10 said deed of settlement to be kept in the office of the Corporation without fee Provided further that nothing herein contained shall Shareholders not extend to charge or make liable any shareholder of the Corporation or liable beyond the amount of their his real or personal estate with or for any debt or demand whatever subscribed shares and due or to become due from or by the Corporation or in any wise on an amount equal to such shares.

15 relating to the said undertaking for any of the matters or things authorized by the said deed of settlement or this Act to be made done or completed to a greater extent than the amount of their subscribed shares and a further amount equal to their said subscribed shares any law to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

18. 15. If by means of any such execution any shareholder shall shareholders to be have paid any sum of money beyond the amount then due from him reimbursed amount in respect of calls he shall forthwith be reimbursed such additional due. sum by the directors out of the funds of the Corporation.

19. 16. The directors shall have the custody of the common seal custody and use of 25 and the form thereof and all other matters relating thereto shall from corporate seal time to time be determined at meetings of directors and the directors present at any meeting shall have power to use the common seal for the affairs and concerns of the Corporation and under such seal to authorize and empower any person without such seal to execute any

30 deed and do all or any other such matter and things as may be required to be executed and done on behalf of the Corporation but it shall not be necessary to use the corporate seal in respect of any of the ordinary business of the Corporation or for the appointment of any attorney or solicitor for the prosecution of any action suit or 35 other proceedings or of any officer or servant of the Corporation and

such seal may be affixed to any deed or document by the hand of any person whom the directors shall appoint in that behalf and the affixing thereof shall be attested by one director and such person so appointed and in case any conveyance or other instrument under seal shall be

40 executed wherein it appears that such conveyance or other instrument is executed in consideration of a money payment therein stated to have been made to the Corporation such execution shall have no operation in law or shall operate only as an escrow (according as may be indicated in the attestation aforesaid) until the treasurer or other

45 officer charged with the receipts of moneys on behalf of the Corporation shall have certified under his hand at the foot thereof that such consideration money has been duly paid.

20. 17. It shall and may be lawful for the directors in pursuance of Power to borrow on a mortgage or debendent.

a resolution to that effect to be passed at special general meetings of tures. 50 the shareholders to be called for the purpose from time to time to borrow upon mortgage of the property of the Corporation or upon debentures chargeable thereon issued under the hands of any two of the directors named in such resolutions any sum or sums of money

not exceeding in the whole an amount equal to the paid-up capital of 55 the Company Provided always that the shareholders present at such meeting either in person or by proxy specially given for the occasion shall hold shares representing not less than one-third of the paid-up capital of the Company.

21. 18. Whenever this Act is cited it shall be sufficiently described as Short title. 60 the "Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company's Incorporation Act of 1874."

## New South Wales.



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# VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

An Act to incorporate the "Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company." [Assented to, 2nd June, 1874.]

Mining Company" has been lately established at Sydney in the Colony of New South Wales under and subject to the rules regulations and provisions contained in a certain deed of settlement bearing date the eighteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three and by the said deed the several parties thereto have respectively covenanted and agreed that they should form and be a Joint Stock Company under the name of "The Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company" and that the objects and business of the Company should be to work or contract for the working of the coal or other mines in or upon any land of which the said Company are or may from time to time be owners or lessees to purchase or lease coal or other mineral lands to follow up and act upon any trade or purpose mentioned in any regulations for the management or conduct of coal or other mines in the said Colony of New South Wales already promulgated or hereafter to be promulgated to purchase the necessary machinery for working the said mines or for testing the mining capabilities of any land purchased or intended so to be purchased by the Company or for draining any mines or any other purpose in connection therewith to export sell or otherwise dispose of all coal or other minerals

minerals to be raised from any land belonging to or leased by the said Company to dispose of the timber on any such land to lease or sell any such lands and to construct railways roads wharves and other matters necessary for the promotion of the objects of the said Company And whereas it was by the said deed of settlement agreed that the capital of the said Company should unless and until increased under the provisions therein contained be thirty thousand pounds and should be divided into thirty thousand shares of one pound each whereas by the said deed provision has been made for the due management of the affairs of the said Company by directors therein named and by other directors to be from time to time elected and appointed by the shareholders of the said Company And whereas the said Company is desirous of being incorporated under the provisions herein contained and it is expedient that such Company shall be incorporated for the purposes aforesaid Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled as follows-

Company incorporated.

1. Such and so many persons as have already become or at any time or times hereafter shall and may in the manner provided by and subject to the rules regulations and provisions contained in the said deed of settlement become proprietors of shares of or in the capital for the time being of the said Company shall subject nevertheless to the conditions regulations and provisions hereinafter contained be one body politic and corporate in name and in deed by the name of "The Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company" and by that name shall and may sue and be sued by any person whether members of the said Corporation or not and shall and may implead and be impleaded answer and be answered unto defend and be defended in all Courts whatsoever at law or in equity and may prefer lay and prosecute any indictment information and prosecution against any person whomsoever for any stealing embezzlement fraud forgery or other crime or offence and in all indictments informations and prosecutions it shall be lawful to state the money and goods effects bills notes securities or other property of the said Company to be the money goods effects bills notes securities or other property of the said Corporation and to designate the said Company by its corporate name whenever for the purpose of any allegation of an intent to defraud or otherwise howsoever such designation shall be necessary and the said Corporation shall have perpetual succession with a common seal which may be altered varied and changed from time to time at the pleasure of the said Corporation.

Deed of settlement

2. The several rules regulations clauses provisions and agreements contained in the said deed of settlement or to be made under or by virtue or in pursuance thereof or of this Act shall be deemed and considered to be and shall be the by-laws for the time being of the said Corporation and shall be of the same force and effect as if the same had been herein specially enacted save and except in so far as any of them are or shall be altered varied or repealed by or are or shall be inconsistent or incompatible with or repugnant to any of the provisions of this Act or of any laws now or hereafter to be in force in the said colony.

All property belonging to the Company to be vested in the Corporation as hereby incorporated.

3. All lands railways mining and other plant rolling stock and machinery now belonging to the mines mentioned in the said deed of settlement or used in connection therewith and all other property belonging to the said Company or held by any trustee for the said Company according to the estate and interest therein and the nature and quality thereof respectively shall be and is hereby transferred to and vested in the said Corporation hereby incorporated.

4. It shall be lawful for the said Corporation to purchase take Company may hold hold and enjoy to them and their successors for any estate term of lands and other years or interest or under license any coal or other mineral lands whatsoever and all such houses offices buildings and other lands and hereditaments as may be necessary and proper for the purpose of managing conducting and carrying on the affairs concerns and business of the said Corporation and to sell convey and assign assure lease and otherwise dispose of or act in respect of such coal or other mineral lands houses offices buildings and other lands and hereditaments as

occasion may require without incurring any penalties or forfeitures.

5. It shall and may be lawful to and for all persons who are or Conveyance to the shall be otherwise competent so to do to grant sell alien and convey Corporation. demise assign assure and dispose of unto and to the use of the said Corporation and their successors for the purposes aforesaid or any of them any such houses offices lands mines hereditaments and other

real and personal estate.

6. It shall be lawful for the said Corporation from time to Increase of capital. time to extend or increase its capital for the time being by the creation and disposal of new shares in the manner specified and set forth and subject to the rules regulations and provisions contained in

the hereinbefore in part recited deed of settlement.

7. The Corporation shall not be bound in any manner by any Trusts or equitable trust or equitable interests or demands affecting any shares of the interests affecting shares. capital standing in the name of any person as the ostensible proprietor thereof or be required to take any notice of such trusts or equitable interests or demands but the receipt of the person in whose name the shares shall stand in the books of the Corporation shall notwith-standing such trusts or equitable interests or demands and notice thereof to the said Corporation be a good valid and conclusive discharge to the Corporation for or in respect of any dividend or other money payable by the said Corporation in respect of such shares and a transfer of the said shares in accordance with the regulations in that behalf contained in the said deed of settlement by the person in whose name such shares shall so stand shall notwithstanding as aforesaid be binding and conclusive so far as may concern the said Corporation against all persons claiming by virtue of such trusts or equitable interests or demands Provided always that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or taken to interfere with or abridge the rights and power of a Court of Equity with respect to dividends or moneys which shall not have been paid by the Corporation or to shares which may not have been transferred by the Corporation to restrain the payment of any such dividend or money payable by the Corporation in respect of any shares or the transfer of any shares or to direct the payment of such dividends or money by the Corporation or the transfer of such shares by the person in whose name they may stand to such other person as such Court may think fit.

8. If at the time appointed for the payment of any call any Enforcement of calls shareholder shall fail to pay the amount of such call it shall be lawful by action. for the Corporation to sue such shareholder for the amount thereof in any Court of Law or Equity having competent jurisdiction and to recover the same with interest thereon and in any action or suit for the recovery thereof it shall be sufficient for the Company to declare Declaration in suits that the defendant is the holder of so many shares (stating the number) to recover calls and is indebted to the Company in such sum of money as the calls in arrear shall amount to in respect thereof (stating the number and amount of each of such calls) whereby an action or suit hath accrued to Matter to be proved the Company and on the trial or hearing of such action or suit it shall in action for calls. be sufficient to prove that the defendant at the time of making such call was a holder of so many shares in the Corporation and that such

call

call was in fact made by persons acting as directors of the Corporation and that such notice thereof has been given as is directed by the said deed of settlement and it shall not be necessary to prove the appointment of the directors who made such call nor any other matter whatever and thereupon the Corporation shall be entitled to recover what shall be due upon such call and interest thereon and the production of the register of shareholders shall be *primâ facie* evidence of such defendant being a shareholder and of the number and amount of his shares.

Contracts by directors how to be entered into.

9. The power of the directors to make contracts on behalf of the Corporation may lawfully be exercised as follows (that is to say):—

With respect to any contract which if made between private persons would be by law required to be in writing and under seal the directors may make such contract on behalf of the Corporation in writing and under the common seal of the Corporation and in the same manner may vary or discharge the same.

With respect to any contract which if made between private persons would be by law required to be in writing and signed by the parties to be charged therewith the directors may make such contract on behalf of the Corporation in writing signed by any two of the directors and in the same manner

may vary or discharge the same.

With respect to any contract which if made between private persons would by law be valid although made by parol only and not reduced into writing the directors may make such contract on behalf of the Corporation by parol only without writing and in the same manner may vary or discharge the same and all contracts made according to the provisions herein contained shall be effectual in law and shall be binding upon the Corporation and their successors and all other parties thereto their heirs executors or administrators as the case may be and on any default in the execution of any such contract either by the Corporation or any other party thereto such action or suit may be brought either by or against the Corporation as might be brought had the same contracts been made between private parties only.

10. Nothing herein contained shall prejudice or be deemed to prejudice any call made or any contract or other act deed matter or thing entered into made or done by the said Company prior to or under or by virtue of the said deed of settlement before this Act shall come into operation but the same call contract act deed matter or thing shall be as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as if this Act had not been passed and may be enforced in like manner as if the said Company had been incorporated before the same call contract act deed matter or thing had been made entered into or done.

Officers to account on demand.

11. Every officer employed by the Corporation shall from time to time when required by the directors make out and deliver to them or to any person appointed by them for that purpose a true and perfect account in writing under his hands of all moneys received by him on behalf of the Corporation and such account shall state from whom and for what consideration such moneys shall have been received and how and to whom and for what purpose such moneys shall have been disposed of and together with such account such officer shall deliver the vouchers and receipts for such payments and every such officer shall pay to the directors or to any person appointed by them to receive the same all moneys which shall appear to be owing from him on the balance of such accounts.

Contracts &c. under the deed of settlement before Act.

12. For the purpose of regulating the conduct of the officers Power to make and and servants of the Corporation and for providing for the due manage- alter by-laws ment of the affairs of the Corporation in all respects it shall be lawful for the Corporation subject to the provisions herein mentioned from time to time to make such by-laws and regulations as they think fit Provided that such by-laws be not repugnant to the laws of the Colony or to the provisions of this Act or to any resolution of any general meeting of shareholders and such by-laws shall be reduced into writing and shall have affixed thereto the common seal of the Corporation and a copy of such by-laws shall be given to every officer and servant of the Corporation affected thereby.

13. The production of a printed or written copy of the by-laws Evidence of by-laws. of the Corporation having the common seal of the Corporation affixed thereto shall be sufficient evidence of such by-laws in all proceedings

under the same.

14. If any execution either at law or in equity shall have been Execution against issued against the property or effects of the Corporation and if there shareholder cannot be found sufficient whereon to levy such execution then such execution may be issued against any of the shareholders to an amount equal to the amount of their shares respectively in the capital of the Company in addition to the amount of the said shares Provided always that no execution shall issue against any shareholder except upon an order of the Court in which the action suit or other proceeding shall have been brought or instituted made upon motion in open Court after sufficient notice in writing to the persons sought to be charged and upon such motion such Court may order execution to issue accordingly and for the purpose of ascertaining the names of the shareholders and the amount of capital remaining to be paid upon their respective shares it shall be lawful for any person entitled to any such execution at all reasonable times to inspect the shareholders register required by the said deed of settlement to be kept in the office of the Corporation Provided further that nothing herein contained shall Shareholders not extend to charge or make liable any shareholder of the Corporation or amount his real or personal estate with or for any debt or demand whatever subscribed shares and due or to become due from or by the Corporation or in any wise to such shares. relating to the said undertaking for any of the matters or things authorized by the said deed of settlement or this Act to be made done or completed to a greater extent than the amount of their subscribed shares and a further amount equal to their said subscribed shares any law to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

15. If by means of any such execution any shareholder shall Shareholders to be have paid any sum of money beyond the amount then due from him paid beyond calls in respect of calls he shall forthwith be reimbursed such additional due.

sum by the directors out of the funds of the Corporation.

16. The directors shall have the custody of the common seal Custody and use of and the form thereof and all other matters relating thereto shall from corporate seal. time to time be determined at meetings of directors and the directors present at any meeting shall have power to use the common seal for the affairs and concerns of the Corporation and under such seal to authorize and empower any person without such seal to execute any deed and do all or any other such matter and things as may be required to be executed and done on behalf of the Corporation but it shall not be necessary to use the corporate seal in respect of any of the ordinary business of the Corporation or for the appointment of any attorney or solicitor for the prosecution of any action suit or other proceedings or of any officer or servant of the Corporation and such seal may be affixed to any deed or document by the hand of any person whom the directors shall appoint in that behalf and the affixing thereof shall be attested by one director and such person so appointed

and in case any conveyance or other instrument under seal shall be executed wherein it appears that such conveyance or other instrument is executed in consideration of a money payment therein stated to have been made to the Corporation such execution shall have no operation in law or shall operate only as an escrow (according as may be indicated in the attestation aforesaid) until the treasurer or other officer charged with the receipts of moneys on behalf of the Corporation shall have certified under his hand at the foot thereof that such consideration money has been duly paid.

Power to borrow on mortgage or debentures.

17. It shall and may be lawful for the directors in pursuance of a resolution to that effect to be passed at special general meetings of the shareholders to be called for the purpose from time to time to borrow upon mortgage of the property of the Corporation or upon debentures chargeable thereon issued under the hands of any two of the directors named in such resolutions any sum or sums of money not exceeding in the whole an amount equal to the paid-up capital of the Company Provided always that the shareholders present at such meeting either in person or by proxy specially given for the occasion shall hold shares representing not less than one-third of the paid-up capital of the Company.

Short title.

18. Whenever this Act is cited it shall be sufficiently described as the "Anvil Creek Coal Mining Company's Incorporation Act of 1874."

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