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Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17 February, 1874. }

STEPHEN W. JONES, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

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An Act to incorporate the "Greta Coal and Shale Mining Company."

HEREAS a joint stock company called the "Greta Coal and Preamble. Shale 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 5 bearing date the first day of December 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 "Greta Coal and Shale Mining Company" and that the objects and business of the Company should be 10 to search for raise and obtain from certain lands mentioned in the said deed of settlement and from any other land that may thereafter be acquired by the said Company all such coal and kerosene shale and other metals and minerals as may be found therein and the manufacture of coal into coke and of clay and other substances into fire or other 15 bricks and also to wash crush smelt refine or otherwise make marketable any coal shale mineral rocks loam earth or soil and to extract distil and refine any oils or other products therefrom and for any of the purposes aforesaid to purchase hire or otherwise obtain machinery and erect construct and establish all such furnaces steam and other 20 engines machinery buildings and other works as may be proper and 351—A necessary

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make or unite with any other persons in making rail or tramroads wharfs and staiths or other conveniences for the transit deposit or shipment of the coal and shale and other property of the Company 5 and to export sell or otherwise dispose of all saleable products which may be obtained by the means aforesaid and generally to make erect construct build and provide all such other works and conveniences as may be deemed necessary for all or any of the purposes aforesaid And whereas it was by the said deed of settlement agreed that the 10 capital of the said Company should until increased as therein provided be fifty thousand pounds and should be divided into five thousand shares of ten pounds each And 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 15 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 20 the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled as follows :--1. Every person who has already become or who shall at any Company incor-time hereafter become holders of shares in the said Company in the porated by the name manner provided by the said deed of settlement and subject to the and Shale Mining 25 provisions therein contained and their several and respective successors Company." executors administrators and assigns shall for the purposes aforesaid be one body corporate by the name and style of the "Greta Coal and Shale Mining Company" and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal and shall and may sue and be sued plead 30 and be impleaded answer and be answered unto defend and be defended in all Courts and places whatsoever. 2. It shall be lawful for the said Company notwithstanding any Company may hold law to the contrary to purchase take hold and enjoy to them and their lands. successors for any estate term of years or interest or under license any 35 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 Company and to sell convey and assign assure lease and otherwise dispose of or act in respect of 40 such coal or other mineral lands houses offices buildings and other lands and hereditaments as occasion may require without incurring any penalties or forfeitures. 3. The several rules regulations clauses provisions and agree- Deed of settlement ments contained in the said deed of settlement or to be made under or confirmed. 45 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 Company 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 50 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.

4. All lands railways mining plant rolling stock and machinery All property belong-now belonging to the mines mentioned in the said deed of settlement to be vested in the 55 or used in connection therewith and all other property belonging to or Company as hereby held by any trustee for the said Company according to the estate and incorporated. interest therein and the nature and quality thereof respectively shall

be and is hereby transferred to and vested in the said Company as hereby incorporated.

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6. The power of the directors to make contracts on behalf of Contracts by direc-25 the Company may lawfully be exercised as follows (that is to say) :- tors how to be entered into.

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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 and not reduced into writing the directors may make such contract on behalf of the Company 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 45 shall be effectual in law and shall be binding upon the Company 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 Company or any other party thereto such action or suit may be brought either by or against the Company 50 as might be brought had the same contracts been made between

private parties only.

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7. Before any person entrusted with the custody or control of Security to be taken moneys belonging to the Company whether treasurer collector or from officers en-trusted with money. other officer of the Company shall enter upon his office the directors 55 shall take sufficient security from him for the faithful execution of his office.

8. Every officer employed by the Company shall from time to Officers to account on time when required by the directors make out and deliver to them or demand. to any person appointed by them for that purpose a true and perfect account in writing under his hand of all moneys received by him on

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behalf of the Company and such account shall state 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 5 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.
- 9. If any such officer fail to render such account or to produce summary remedy and deliver up all the vouchers and receipts relating to the same in against parties failing his possession or nower or to pay the balance thereof when the count. 10 his possession 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 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 Com-
- 15 pany 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 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 last
- 20 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 it appear either upon the confession of such officer or upon evidence or upon inspection of the account that any moneys of the Company are in the hands of such officer or owing
- 25 by him to the Company such Justices may order such officer to pay the same and if he fail to pay the amount it shall be lawful for such Justices to grant a warrant to levy the same by distress or in default thereof to commit the offender to gaol for a period not exceeding three months unless the said amount be sooner paid.
- 30 10. If any such officer refuse to make out such account in Officers refusing to writing or to produce and deliver to the Justices the several vouchers deliver up documents 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 Company such Justices may lawfully commit such
- 35 offender to gaol there to remain until he shall have delivered up all the vouchers and receipts (if any) in his possession or 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 Company. 40
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shall be lawful for the Justice before whom the complaint is made if 45 he shall think fit to issue a warrant in the first instance for the bringing such officer before such two Justices as aforesaid but no person executing such warrant shall keep such officer in custody longer than twenty-four hours or such longer period as may be rendered necessary by the distance of the place of apprehension from 50 the residence of the nearest or most convenient Magistrate without

bringing him before some Justice and it shall be lawful for the Justice before whom such officer may be brought either to discharge such officer if he thinks there is no sufficient ground for his detention or to order such officer to be detained in custody so as to be brought 55 before two Justices at a time and place to be named in such order unless such officer give bail to the satisfaction of such Justice for his appearance before such Justice to answer the complaint of the Company Provided nevertheless that no such proceeding against or

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dealing with any such officer as aforesaid shall deprive the Company Sureties not to be of any remedy which they might otherwise have against such officer discharged. or any surety of such officer.

- 12. For the purpose of regulating the conduct of the officers Power to make and 5 and servants of the Company and for providing for the due manage- alter by-laws. ment of the affairs of the Company in all respects whatsoever it shall be lawful for the Company 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 10 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 Company and a copy of such by-laws shall be given to every officer and servant of the Company affected thereby.
- 13. The production of a printed or written copy of the by-laws Evidence of by-laws. 15 of the Company having the common seal of the Company 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 20 issued against the property or effects of the Company and if there thareholders 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
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- 35 office of the Company without fee Provided further that nothing shareholders not herein contained shall extend to charge or make liable any shareholder liable beyond the of the Company or his real or personal estate with or for any debt or scribed shares and on demand whatever due or to become due from or by the Company or an amount equal to in anywise relating to the said undertaking for any of the matters or this cauthorized by the could dead of softlement on this. Act to be
- 40 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 45 have paid any sum of money beyond the amount then due from him reimbursed amount in respect of calls he shall forthwith he reimbursed such additional with reimbursed all due. in respect of calls he shall forthwith be reimbursed such additional sum by the directors out of the funds of the Company.

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 scal.

- 50 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 Company and under such seal to authorize and empower any person without such seal to execute any deed and do all or any other such matters and things as may be
- 55 required to be executed and done on behalf of the Company but it shall not be necessary to use the corporate seal in respect of any of the ordinary business of the Company 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 Company and such seal 351-B may

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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 5 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 Company 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 10 with the receipts of moneys on behalf of the Company shall have certified under his hand at the foot thereof that such consideration money has been duly paid.

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SCHEDULE of the Amendments referred to in Message of 4th March, 1874.

JOHN J. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.

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2. It shall be lawful for the said Company notwithstanding any Company may hold law to the contrary to purchase take hold and enjoy to them and their lands. successors for any estate term of years or interest or under license any

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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

An Act to incorporate the "Greta Coal and Shale Mining Company." [Assented to, 16th April, 1874.]

W HEREAS a joint stock company called the "Greta Coal and Presmble. Shale 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 first day of December 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 "Greta Coal and Shale Mining Company" and that the objects and business of the Company should be to search for raise and obtain from certain lands mentioned in the said deed of settlement and from any other land that may thereafter be acquired by the said Company all such coal and kerosene shale and other metals and minerals as may be found therein and the manufacture of coal into coke and of clay and other substances into fire or other bricks and also to wash crush smelt refine or otherwise make marketable any coal shale mineral rocks loam earth or soil and to extract distil and refine any oils or other products therefrom and for any of the purposes aforesaid to purchase hire or otherwise obtain machinery and

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and erect construct and establish all such furnaces steam and other engines machinery buildings and other works as may be proper and necessary for such purposes Also to purchase or hire vessels and to make or unite with any other persons in making rail or tramroads wharfs and staiths or other conveniences for the transit deposit or shipment of the coal and shale and other property of the Company and to export sell or otherwise dispose of all saleable products which may be obtained by the means aforesaid and generally to make erect construct build and provide all such other works and conveniences as may be deemed necessary for all or any of the purposes aforesaid And whereas it was by the said deed of settlement agreed that the capital of the said Company should until increased as therein provided be fifty thousand pounds and should be divided into five thousand shares of ten pounds each And 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 :-

and Shale Company.

Company may hold lands.

Deed of settlement confirmed.

1. Every person who has already become or who shall at any Company incorporated by the name time hereafter become holders of shares in the said Company in the of the "Greta Coal means an any ideal by the said dead of settlement and subject to the Mining manner provided by the said deed of settlement and subject to the provisions therein contained and their several and respective successors executors administrators and assigns shall for the purposes aforesaid be one body corporate by the name and style of the "Greta Coal and Shale Mining Company" and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal and shall and may sue and be sued plead and be impleaded answer and be answered unto defend and be defended in all Courts and places whatsoever.

2. It shall be lawful for the said Company to purchase take hold and enjoy to them and their successors for any estate term of 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 Company 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.

3. 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 Company 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 belong-ing to the Company now belonging to the mines mentioned in the said deed of settlement to be vested in the now belonging to the mines mentioned in the said deed of settlement Company as hereby or used in connection therewith and all other property belonging to or the said company according to the estate and 4. All lands railways mining plant rolling stock and machinery 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 Company as hereby incorporated.

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5. 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 Company 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 that Declaration in suits 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 Matter to be proved, to the Company and on the trial or hearing of such action or suit it in action for calls. shall be sufficient to prove that the defendant at the time of making such call was a holder of so many shares in the Company and that such call was in fact made by persons acting as directors of the Company and such notice thereof 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 Company 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 primá facie evidence of such defendant being a shareholder and of the number and amount of his shares.

6. The power of the directors to make contracts on behalf of Contracts by direc-the Company may lawfully be exercised as follows (that is to say) :— tors how to be entered into.

- 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 Company in writing and under the common seal of the Company 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 Company 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 Company 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 Company 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 Company or any other party thereto such action or suit may be brought either by or against the Company as might be brought had the same contracts been made between private parties only.

7. Before any person entrusted with the custody or control of Security to be taken moneys belonging to the Company whether treasurer collector or from officers en-other officer of the Company shall onten upon his office the director in trusted with money. other officer of the Company shall enter upon his office the directors shall take sufficient security from him for the faithful execution of his office.

8. Every officer employed by the Company shall from time to Officers to account on time when required by the directors make out and deliver to them or demand. to any person appointed by them for that purpose a true and perfect account in writing under his hand of all moneys received by him on behalf

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behalf of the Company and such account shall state 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.

Summary remedy

9. If any such officer fail to render such account or to produce against parties failing and deliver up all the vouchers and receipts relating to the same in his possession 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 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 Company 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 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 last 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 it appear either upon the confession of such officer or upon evidence or upon inspection of the account that any moneys of the Company are in the hands of such officer or owing by him to the Company such Justices may order such officer to pay the same and if he fail to pay the amount it shall be lawful for such Justices to grant a warrant to levy the same by distress or in default thereof to commit the offender to gaol for a period not exceeding three months unless the said amount be sooner paid.

> 10. If any such officer refuse to make out such account in writing or to produce and deliver to the Justices the several 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 Company 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 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 Company.

> 11. For the purpose of regulating the conduct of the officers and servants of the Company and for providing for the due management of the affairs of the Company in all respects whatsoever it shall be lawful for the Company 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 Company and a copy of such by-laws shall be given to every officer and servant of the Company affected thereby.

> 12. The production of a printed or written copy of the by-laws of the Company having the common seal of the Company affixed thereto shall be sufficient evidence of such by-laws in all proceedings under the same.

> 13. If any execution either at law or in equity shall have been issued against the property or effects of the Company and if there 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

Officers refusing to deliver up documents &c. to be imprisoned.

Power to make and alter by-laws

Evidence of by-laws.

Execution against shareholders

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Company in addition to the amount of the said shares Provided always that no such 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 Company without fee Provided further that nothing Shareholders not herein contained shall extend to charge or make liable any shareholder amount of their subof the Company or his real or personal estate with or for any debt or scribed shares and on demand whatever due or to become due from or by the Company or such shares. in anywise 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. 14. 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 sum by the directors out of the funds of the Company.

15. 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 Company and under such seal to authorize and empower any person without such seal to execute any deed and do all or any other such matters and things as may be required to be executed and done on behalf of the Company but it shall not be necessary to use the corporate seal in respect of any of the ordinary business of the Company 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 Company 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 Company 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 Company shall have certified under his hand at the foot thereof that such consideration money has been duly paid.

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