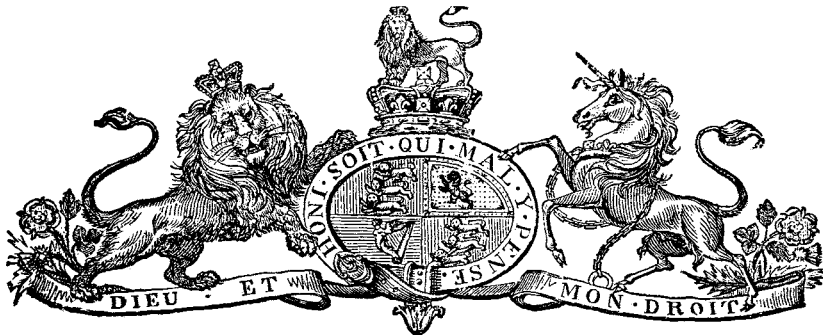


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AN ACT to authorise the Issue of a Grant of certain Lands to the Trustees of the *Douglas River Coal Company*. [22 December, 1857.]

WHEREAS in the year 1849 a Company, called *The Douglas River Coal Company*, was established for the purpose of raising Coal from land on the East Coast of *Tasmania*: And whereas in the year 1851 a Lease of 1800 acres of Land in the County of *Glamorgan* was granted by the Crown to the said Company for certain mining purposes therein mentioned for the term of Twenty-one years from the Fifteenth day of *July* in the year 1851, which term was afterwards extended for the further term of Twenty-one years: And whereas, in the year 1854, a Lease of 296 acres of Land adjoining the said first-mentioned Land was also granted by the Crown to the said Company for similar mining purposes for a term corresponding with the extension of the said first-mentioned term: And whereas a right of way was granted by the said Leases to the said Company over a Railway or Tramroad thereby undertaken to be made by the Local Government of *Tasmania* upon and through the Lands thereby demised, and therefrom to the Shipping-place at *Wabbs Bay* or *Harbour* in the Township of *Bicheno*; and, for the purpose of keeping the same Railway or Tramroad in repair, a right was thereby granted to the said Company to pass and repass for the space of twelve feet along each side of such part of the said Railway or Tramroad as should not be within the limits of the Lands demised: And whereas the said Local Government agreed with the said Company

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Governor empowered to grant certain Land to *The Douglas River Coal Company*.

to make and complete the said Tramroad from the Pits' mouths on the said Lands to *Wabbs Harbour* aforesaid, in consideration of the said Company agreeing to expend the sum of Six thousand Pounds in the works to be executed by them in bringing the said Coal to market for public use : And whereas the said Local Government constructed a part only of the said Tramroad, leaving a considerable portion thereof unfinished, whereby the said Company have sustained a loss exceeding Seven thousand Pounds : And whereas the said Company have performed their part of the Contract entered into with the said Local Government, and in endeavouring to raise Coal from the said Lands leased to them they have expended upwards of Thirty thousand Pounds : And whereas the said Company claim compensation from the Local Government for the said loss sustained by the said Company, and it is expedient that their said claim should be adjusted : And whereas the said Company are willing to accept a Grant from the Crown of the freehold and inheritance of the said Lands leased to them as aforesaid, and of the Land over which the said Railway or Tramroad extends, and of the Land extending along the said Railway or Tramroad for the space of twelve feet on each side thereof, so far as the same Tramroad extends over Crown Land, in full satisfaction of their said claim to compensation : And whereas James Barnard, John Foster, and Robert Officer are the Trustees of the said Company : Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of *Tasmania*, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, that it shall be lawful for the Governor of *Tasmania*, and he is hereby authorised and empowered, to issue Letters Patent in the name and on the behalf of Her Majesty, granting unto the said James Barnard, John Foster, and Robert Officer, and to their heirs and assigns, the said Lands demised to the said Company as aforesaid, and also the said Land over which the said Railway or Tramroad extends, and the Land extending along the said Railway or Tramroad for the space of twelve feet on each side thereof, so far as the same Tramroad extends over Crown Land.