

III. Glasgow and South-Western Railway Company (Ayr Harbour Transfer), and are now dealt with *infra*.

In December 1918 twelve applications for Provisional Orders were made, viz.—

- I. Arbroath Harbour.
- II. Ardrossan Harbour.
- III. Bridge of Allan Water.
- IV. Clyde Navigation.
- V. Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries.
- VI. Edinburgh and Leith Corporation Gas.
- VII. Fraserburgh Harbour.
- VIII. Glasgow Corporation.
- IX. Greenock Port and Harbours.
- X. Leith Harbour and Docks.
- XI. Peterhead Harbours.
- XII. Standard Life Assurance Company.

Of these the tenth was withdrawn; the first, third, fifth, sixth, seventh, eleventh, and twelfth were either unopposed or had the opposition withdrawn; inquiry was held into the second, fourth, eighth, and ninth.

In April 1919 eleven applications for Provisional Orders were made, viz.—

- I. Clyde Valley Electrical Power.
- II. Edinburgh Corporation.
- III. Forth Conservancy.
- IV. Fraserburgh Harbour (New Works).
- V. Glasgow Corporation Water.
- VI. Granton Harbour.
- VII. Greenock Improvement.
- VIII. Scottish Amicable Life Assurance Society.
- IX. Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society.
- X. Victoria Infirmary of Glasgow Act 1888 (Amendment) Order 1919.
- XI. Wick Harbour.

Of these the first, second, fifth, sixth, eighth, ninth, tenth, and eleventh were either unopposed originally or had the opposition withdrawn; inquiry was held into the fourth and seventh; the third still remained for inquiry.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd October 1918.

COWDENBEATH WATER PROVISIONAL ORDER.

(Before the Earl of Wemyss (*Chairman*), Lord Southwark, Sir Henry Craik, M.P., and Sir John M'Callum, M.P.—at Edinburgh.)

Provisional Order — Water — Fishing — Compensation Water.

Cowdenbeath Town Council promoted this Order with the object of acquiring from the Dunfermline District Committee of Fife

County Council the works of and rights in the Keltie Water Supply—a scheme carried out under a Provisional Order of 1896, but now no longer required by the District Committee in view of their large Glendevon scheme, instituted in 1913. They also sought to get rid of the restriction on the amount of water which might be taken under the 1896 Order, and to fix and regulate the compensation water to be given. Under the 1896 Order only a limited number of gallons of water was allowed to be taken by the local authority, the remainder, presumably in the interests of the riparian and fishing owners, being left in the stream, and it was now proposed to take the whole supply less compensation water.

The Order was opposed by certain mill-owners, and also by Sir Basil Graham Montgomery, the owner of Loch Leven fishing, other objectors having withdrawn or made terms. The opposition was directed against any alteration on the position under the 1896 Order, any further water required being to be got elsewhere, but it came to be practically a question as to the amount and regulation of the compensation water.

The Commissioners found the preamble proved, and directed that the compensation water should be calculated on the basis of an estimated total daily supply of 780,000 gallons; that the compensation water should be given during the months June, July, August, September, and October at double the amount given in the remaining months; that it should be given on Sunday as well as on other days.

Clauses were adjusted.

Counsel for the Promoters—Macmillan, K.C.—Mitchell. Agents—R. T. Milne, Town-Clerk, Cowdenbeath—John Kennedy, W.S., Westminster.

Counsel for the Mill-owners (*Objecting*)—Constable, K.C. Agents—Horne & Lyell, W.S., Edinburgh.

Counsel for Sir Graham Montgomery, Bart. (*Objecting*)—Condie Sandeman, K.C. Agents—Falconer & Marshall, Solicitors, Kinross.

3rd October 1918.

DUNFERMLINE DISTRICT WATER.

(Before the Earl of Wemyss (*Chairman*), Lord Southwark, Sir Henry Craik, M.P., and Sir John M'Callum, M.P.—at Edinburgh.)

Provisional Order — Water — Agreement between Local Authorities Confirmed by Order — Revision thereof in Subsequent Order.

In 1913 the Dunfermline District Committee of Fife County Council, by Provisional Order, obtained power to carry out a water scheme known as the Glendevon Scheme (50 S.L.R. 980). It was now proposed to make certain changes in the powers so conferred. The scheme could not be carried through within the time allowed nor at the estimated figure, and a prolongation of time with power to borrow an additional £50,000