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Cap. lxxviii.

An Act for repairing, widening, and improving the Lower Road leading from the Town of *Greenwich* to the Town of *Woolwich*, in the County of *Kent*.
[30th May 1818.]

WHEREAS the Road leading from the Town of *Greenwich* to the Town of *Woolwich*, in the County of *Kent*, commonly called the *Lower Road*, is unsafe, narrow, inconvenient, and out of Repair, and in some Places in a ruinous Condition: And whereas it would facilitate the Communication with His Majesty's Dock-Yard and Arsenals at *Woolwich*, and the Conveyance of Navy, Ordnance, and other Public Stores to and from the same, and be otherwise of great Public Utility, and it would also be of great Advantage and Convenience to the Owners and Occupiers of Land, and other Inhabitants in the Neighbourhood of the said Road, if Tolls, Powers, and Authorities were granted for more effectually repairing and improving the same: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That Sir *Edward Knatchbull* Baronet, Sir *William Geary* Baronet, the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor of the Royal Hospital for Seamen at *Greenwich*, the Resident Commissioner of His Majesty's Navy at *Woolwich* or *Deptford*, the Colonel-Commandant of *Woolwich* Garrison, the Deputy-Adjutant General of Artillery, and the Commanding Royal Engineer at *Woolwich*, the Colonel-Commandant of the *Woolwich* Division of Royal Marines, the Governor of the Royal Naval Asylum at *Greenwich*, the Secretary and Clerk of the Cheque of the said Royal Hospital, the Master Shipwright, Clerk of the Cheque, and Storekeeper of His Majesty's Dock Yard, at *Woolwich*, and the Storekeeper, Clerk of the Survey, and Clerk of the Cheque of the Civil Department of the Royal Arsenal at *Woolwich*, severally and respectively for the Time being,
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John Julius Angerstein, John Atkins, Edward Bate, Charles Bicknell, the Reverend Charles Parr Burney M. A., John Budger, the Reverend Alexander Crombie, LL. D., Abraham Constable, Edward Spencer Curling, the Reverend Richard Davis Clerk, Edward William Foreman, the Reverend Hugh Fraser Clerk, the Reverend James Payne, George Clerk, George Trenchard Goodenough, General Samuel Hulse, the Honourable Henry Legge, Martin Lindsay, Major William Lloyd, John Mason, Lieutenant-Colonel William Mudge, the Reverend George Mathew Clerk, Thomas Martyr, William Lewis Newman, Patrick Ogilvie, George Boone Roupell, William Rowe, Robert Smith, John Millegan Seppings, William Stace, Captain Mathew Smith, Henry Hake Seward, Rear Admiral William Taylor, Sir Thomas Maryon Wilson Baronet, the Reverend Samuel Watson, D. D. and their Successors, to be elected in Manner hereinafter mentioned, shall be and they are hereby appointed Trustees, for repairing, widening, and improving the said Road, and for otherwise carrying this Act and all the Matters and Things herein contained into full and complete Execution and Effect.

Election of
new Trustees.

II. And be it further enacted, That upon the Death, Refusal, or Disability to act in the Execution of this Act, of any of the said Trustees or their Successors, (other than such as are to act therein for the Time being, by virtue of their respective Offices,) it shall and may be lawful, to and for any Five or more of the surviving or remaining Trustees, from Time to Time, upon the first *Friday* in the Month of *June* in every Year, to elect and appoint such other Person or Persons to be a Trustee or Trustees in the Room of such Trustee or Trustees so dying, refusing, or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid, as they shall think proper; and every Person so to be elected and appointed, (being qualified in Manner hereinafter mentioned,) shall be and he is hereby empowered to act in the Execution of this Act, in as full and ample Manner, to all Intents and Purposes, as the Trustee in whose room or stead he shall be so elected, could or might have done.

Qualification
of Trustees.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Person shall be capable of acting as a Trustee in the Execution of this Act, unless he shall be in his own Right, or in the Right of his Wife, in the actual Possession or Receipt of Rents and Profits of Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, situate in the said County of *Kent*, of the clear Yearly Value of Fifty Pounds, or be possessed of or entitled to a Personal Estate, of the Value of One thousand Pounds, or shall be Heir Apparent of some Person possessed of some Estate in Lands, to be situate as aforesaid, of the clear Yearly Value of One hundred Pounds; nor shall any such Person be capable of acting in the Execution of this Act, not being such Heir Apparent as aforesaid, (save and except in administering the Oath or Affirmation following to the other Trustees,) until he shall have taken and subscribed the Oath or Affirmation following, before any Two or more of the said Trustees, who are hereby authorized and required to administer the same, that is to say:

‘ I do swear, (or, being one of the People called
‘ Quakers, do solemnly affirm,) that I truly and *bona fide* am, in my
‘ own Right, (or in Right of my Wife, as the Case may be,) in the actual
‘ Possession or Enjoyment of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments,
‘ situate in the County of *Kent*, of the clear Yearly Value of Fifty
‘ Pounds,

‘ Pounds, (or possessed of or entitled to a Personal Estate, of the
 ‘ Amount or Value of One thousand Pounds) or am Heir
 ‘ Apparent of *A. B.*, who, to the best of my Knowledge and Belief,
 ‘ is possessed of such an Estate, of the clear Yearly Value of One
 ‘ hundred Pounds; and that I will truly, faithfully, and impartially
 ‘ act in the Execution of the Trusts and Powers reposed in me, by virtue
 ‘ of an Act passed in the Fifty-eighth Year of the Reign of King *George*
 ‘ the Third, intituled an Act [*here set forth the Title of this Act.*]
 ‘ So help me GOD.’

IV. And if any Person not being so qualified, shall act as a Trustee in the Execution of this Act, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds to any Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, to be recovered in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, or elsewhere, by Action of Debt, or on the Case, or by Bill, Suit, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, or more than one Impar lance shall be allowed; and every such Person so sued or prosecuted, who shall not prove that he is qualified as aforesaid, shall be liable to the said Penalty, without any other Proof on the part of the Plaintiff or Prosecutor, than that such Person hath acted as a Trustee in the Execution of this Act: Provided nevertheless, that all Acts and Proceedings of any Person or Persons acting as a Trustee or Trustees in the Execution of this Act, although not duly qualified as aforesaid, previously to his or their being convicted of the said Offence, shall notwithstanding such Conviction be as good, valid, and effectual as if such Person or Persons had been qualified according to the Direction of this Act.

Penalty of acting, not being qualified.

All Acts of Trustees not qualified, if done before Conviction, valid.

V. And be it further enacted, That no Person or Persons appointed or to be appointed a Trustee or Trustees for putting this Act into Execution, who shall have or accept of any Place or Office of Profit arising out of, or by reason of any Tolls or Duty by this Act granted, or who shall be interested or concerned in any Contract or Contracts, or become or be a Lessee or Lessees, Farmer or Farmers of the Tolls granted by this Act, shall be capable of acting as a Trustee or Trustees in the Execution of this Act, during the Time of his or their Enjoyment of any Place of Profit as aforesaid, or being so interested or concerned in any Contract, or becoming or being such Lessee or Lessees, Farmer or Farmers as aforesaid.

Persons holding any Place of Profit not to act as Trustees.

VI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Person or Persons who shall keep any Victualling House, Alehouse, or other House of Public Entertainment, or who shall sell any Wine, Cyder, Beer, Ale, Spirituous or other strong Liquors by retail, shall be capable of acting as a Trustee, or of taking, holding, or enjoying any Place or Places of Trust or Profit under the said Trustees, or of collecting the Tolls hereby granted and made payable, and to be collected on the said Road, during such Time as he or they shall keep such Victualling House, Alehouse, or other House of Public Entertainment, or shall sell any Wine, Cyder, or Beer, Ale, Spirituous or other strong Liquors by retail; but no such Person shall be precluded from farming such Tolls, provided he or they employ a Person to collect such Tolls who shall not be under any such Incapacity.

Victuallers, &c. incapable of acting.

VII. And

Trustees may act as Justices except where interested.

No Mortgagee or Assignee of the Tolls to be disqualified on that account.

First Meeting of the Trustees.

No Act valid unless at a Meeting.

The Majority may act, the whole Number not being less than Five.

Chairman to be appointed, and to have the casting Vote.

Annual Meeting of the Trustees to be held for auditing the Accounts.

VII. And be it further enacted, That such of the Trustees as are or shall be Justices of the Peace, shall and may in their respective Jurisdictions, and they are hereby empowered to act as Justices of the Peace, in the Execution of this Act, notwithstanding their being Trustees, except only in such Cases where he or they shall be personally interested; and that no Mortgagee or Assignee of any Mortgage or other Security, or any Lender of Money upon the Credit of any of the Tolls granted by this Act, or receiving Interest for the same, shall on that Account be deemed disqualified to act as a Trustee.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall meet and assemble at the *Ship Tavern at Woolwich*, on the *Friday* Fortnight after the passing of this Act, between the Hours of Ten in the Morning and Two in the Afternoon, for the Purpose of carrying this Act into Execution, and shall then and from Time to Time afterwards adjourn themselves to meet at the Place aforesaid, or at any other Place or Places that the said Trustees shall think proper or convenient, and may hold any other Meetings, and in like Manner adjourn the same so often as it shall be necessary for carrying this Act into Execution; and if it shall so happen that there shall not appear at any such Meeting a sufficient Number of Trustees to act in the Execution of this Act, the Trustee or Trustees then present, or the Clerk to the said Trustees, shall from Time to Time as often as the Case shall happen, adjourn such Meeting to some other Day, to be holden at the same Place; and the said Clerk shall cause Notice thereof to be given as hereinafter mentioned; and that the said Trustees shall at their several Meetings pay and defray their own Expences.

IX. And be it further enacted, That no Act of the said Trustees hereby nominated and appointed, or to be elected by virtue of this Act, shall be or be deemed to be good, valid, or effectual, unless the same be made or done at some Meeting to be holden in pursuance of this Act, (except as herein excepted,) and that all the Powers and Authorities by this Act granted to the said Trustees shall and may be exercised from Time to Time by the major Part of them who shall attend at any Meeting to be holden in pursuance of this Act, (the Number of Trustees present at such Meeting not being less than Five, except where otherwise directed,) and all the Orders and Proceedings of the Major Part of such Trustees present at such their several Meetings shall have the same Force and Effect as if the same were made or done by all such Trustees for the Time being, (save and except as herein excepted,) and at every Meeting of the said Trustees a Chairman shall and may be appointed, and when and as often as it shall so happen that there shall be an Equality of Votes at any such Meeting upon any Question, (including the Vote of the Chairman,) then and in every such Case the Chairman shall have, and he is hereby empowered to give the decisive or casting Vote.

X. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That on the *First Friday* in the Month of *June* in every Year a General Meeting of the said Trustees shall be holden at the *Ship Tavern* aforesaid, or at some other Place within the Distance of Two Miles from the Line of the said Road, as the said Trustees may appoint, for the Purpose of examining the Accounts of the Clerk, Treasurer, Surveyor, and Collectors

lectors of Tolls, and other Persons employed in the Receipt or Expenditure of any of the Monies belonging to the Trust of the said Road; and it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees then and there assembled to allow and pass such Accounts, or so much thereof as they shall think proper, and to choose new Trustees in the Room of such as shall be dead, or have refused, or become incapable to act in Manner hereinbefore mentioned, and to do such other Acts, Matters, and Things in the Business of the Trust which shall at any such Meeting occur: Provided also, that nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to prevent the said Trustees from calling for and examining the said Accounts, when and as often as they shall think proper so to do.

XI. And be it further enacted, That no Order, Appointment, or Proceeding made at any Meeting of the Trustees holden in pursuance of this Act shall be revoked or altered at any subsequent Meeting, unless at a Meeting to be holden for that express Purpose, specifying the Revocation or Alteration proposed to be made, at least Fourteen Days before such subsequent Meeting, nor unless a Majority of the Trustees present at such subsequent Meeting (such Majority not being less than Five) shall decide in favour of such Revocation or Alteration.

No Order to be revoked but at a Special Meeting, and by a Majority of the Trustees present.

XII. And be it further enacted, That if after the Adjournment of any Meeting of the said Trustees it shall be thought necessary that an earlier Day of Meeting should be appointed than the Day appointed by any Adjournment; or if for want of a proper Adjournment, or otherwise, it shall be necessary to call a Meeting of the said Trustees, the Clerk or Clerks to the said Trustees, upon an Order in Writing, signed by any Three or more of the said Trustees, mentioning the Time, Place and Purpose of such Meeting, shall forthwith give Notice, in the Manner hereinafter directed, of the Time and Place of holding a Meeting, according to such Order of the said Trustees, (the Time not being less than Three Days after such Notice,) and such Meeting shall and may be held accordingly; and all the Proceedings of the Trustees at any such Meeting shall be as valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes as they would have been in case such Meeting had been held in pursuance of Adjournment.

Meetings on Emergencies.

XIII. And be it enacted, That previously to any Meeting (except such Meetings on Emergencies as last hereinbefore mentioned) being held in pursuance of this Act, Public Notice of such Meeting shall be given in the respective Parish Churches of *Greenwich, Charlton, and Woolwich*, immediately after Divine Service, in the Forenoon of the Lord's Day next before such Meeting, and also in some *London* Newspaper, and affixed on all the Turnpike Gates then standing on the said Road, Seven Days at least before such Meeting.

What Notice shall be given of Meetings.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall cause to be provided and kept a Proper Book or Books, and fair and regular Entries to be made therein, of all their Acts, Orders, and Proceedings, relative to the Execution of this Act, and of the Names of all such Trustees as shall be present at their several Meetings; and all Entries in such Book or Books being signed by the Chairman, who shall have been then present, or by any other of the Trustees present at such Meeting, in case

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the Chairman shall have died or ceased to be a Trustee before the signing of such Entries, shall be deemed Originals, and shall be allowed to be read as Evidence in all Cases, Suits, Actions, Prosecutions, and Proceedings touching or concerning any Thing done in pursuance of this Act, and that such Book or Books shall at all seasonable Times be open to the Inspection of all and every the said Trustees, and the Creditors on the Tolls hereby granted and made payable; and that any of the said Trustees and Creditors shall and may have and take Copies thereof, paying for every Copy not exceeding One hundred Words, the Sum of Sixpence, and so on in Proportion for any greater Number of Words.

Accounts to be kept of Receipts and Disbursements, which shall be open to the Inspection of the Trustees and Creditors.

XV. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall and they are hereby required from Time to Time, and at all Times during the Continuance of this Act, to order and direct a Book or Books to be provided and kept by their Clerk for the Time being, in which Book or Books such Clerk shall enter, or cause to be entered, true and regular Accounts of all Sums of Money received, paid, laid out, and expended, for or on Account of the said Road, and of the several Articles, Matters, and Things for which such Sums of Money shall have been disbursed, laid out, and paid, which Book or Books shall at all seasonable Times be open to the Inspection of the said Trustees, or any Creditor or Creditors on the Tolls hereby granted, without Fee or Reward; and the said Trustees and Creditors, or any of them, shall and may take Copies of, or Extracts from the said Book or Books, or any Part or Parts thereof, without paying any Thing for the same; and in case the said Clerk shall refuse to permit or shall not permit the said Trustees, or such Creditors, or any of them, to inspect the same, or take such Copies or Extracts as aforesaid, such Clerk shall forfeit and pay any Sum of Money not exceeding Five Pounds, to be levied and recovered in Manner hereinafter mentioned.

Trustees not to be concerned in Contracts.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That in case any Trustee shall, directly or indirectly, be concerned in any Contract for any Work or other Thing to be done by virtue of this Act, such Person shall not only be incapable of acting as a Trustee in the Execution of this Act, but shall also forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds to be recovered with full Costs of Suit, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record, by Action of Debt, or on the Case, or by Bill, Plaint, Suit, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, or more than one Impar lance shall be allowed.

Trustees to appoint Officers.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall and may, at their first or any subsequent Meeting, by Writing under their Hands, elect and appoint a Clerk or Clerks, Treasurer or Treasurers, Receiver or Receivers, and Collector or Collectors of the Tolls by this Act granted, and a Surveyor or Surveyors, and such other Officers as they the said Trustees shall think proper, and also that it shall and may be lawful, to and for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, from Time to Time, to remove such Clerks, Treasurers, Receivers, Collectors Surveyors, and other Officers, or any of them, as the said Trustees shall see occasion, and from Time to Time to appoint others in the Room of such of them as shall be so removed, or as shall die, resign, or refuse or neglect to perform, or become incapable of performing

forming their Duty; and that the said Trustees shall and may, out of the Money to be raised and received by virtue of this Act, give such Salaries, or make such Allowances to the Clerks, Treasurers, Receivers, Collectors, Surveyors, and other Officers so appointed, and also to any other Person or Persons who shall be assisting in and about the Execution of this Act, as to them the said Trustees shall seem proper; and all such Officers and other Persons shall from Time to Time, as often as they shall be called upon for that Purpose, produce and give up to such Trustees, full, true, and perfect Accounts in Writing, under their respective Hands, of all Monies which shall have been by them respectively had, received, or collected, and how, to whom, and for what Purposes such Monies, and every Part thereof, shall have been paid, disposed of, or applied, together with proper Receipts and Vouchers for such Payments, and all such Officers and other Persons shall, and they are hereby respectively required to pay all such Monies as shall appear to be in their respective Hands to the said Trustees, or to such Person or Persons, and for such Uses and Purposes as they the said Trustees shall direct and appoint; and if any such Officer or Officers, or other Person (being required so to do as aforesaid,) shall refuse or neglect to produce and give up such Account or Accounts as aforesaid, or to produce and deliver up to the said Trustees the Receipts and Vouchers relating to the same, or to pay as aforesaid, any Sum or Sums of Money which shall appear to remain in his or their Hands, or shall not deliver to the said Trustees within Fourteen Days next after having been thereunto required as aforesaid, all the Books, Papers, and Writings in his or their Custody or Power, relating to the Execution of this Act, then and in any of the said Cases, any One or more of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Kent, shall upon Complaint of the said Trustees, or any One or more of them, or of such Person or Persons as they, or any Five or more of them shall appoint for that Purpose, issue a Summons under his or their Hand or Hands, for such Officer or Person to appear before him or them; and upon such Officer or Person appearing, or having been summoned and not appearing, or in Case it shall appear that such Officer or other Person hath not been found, such Justice or Justices shall make Inquiry concerning such Default, and the Matter of Complaint, and shall hear and determine the same in a summary Way; and if upon the Confession of the Party, or by the Testimony of one or more credible Witness or Witnesses upon Oath, (which Oath such Justice or Justices is and are hereby empowered and required to administer,) it shall appear to such Justice or Justices that any of the Monies which shall have been raised or collected under this Act, shall remain due from such Officer or other Person, such Justice or Justices may, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his or their Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, to cause such Money to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Officer or other Person; and if no Goods or Chattels of such Officer or other Person can be found sufficient to satisfy the said Money, and the Charges of distraining and selling the said Goods and Chattels, or if any such Officer or other Person shall be convicted of any other of the Offences aforesaid, such Justice or Justices is and are hereby empowered to commit such Officer or other Person to the Common Gaol for the County or Place where such Officer or other Person shall live or reside, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize, until such Officer or other Person shall have produced,

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duced, given up, and made a true and perfect Account as aforesaid, and shall have made such Payments as shall appear to be due from him as aforesaid, or until he shall have compounded with the said Trustees for the same, (which Composition the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, are hereby empowered at any Meeting to make and accept,) and shall have paid such Composition Money to the said Trustees, or their Treasurer or Treasurers, or to such other Person as the said Trustees shall appoint, or until such Officer or other Person shall have delivered up all such Books, Papers and Writings as aforesaid, or given Satisfaction in respect thereof to the said Trustees: Provided always, That no such Officer or other Person so committed as aforesaid, shall be confined or detained in Prison for want of such sufficient Distress, by virtue of this Act, for any longer Time than Six Calendar Months.

Treasurer and other Officers to give Security for the faithful Execution of their Duty.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall, and they are hereby required to take such sufficient Security from their Treasurer, or Treasurers, Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors of the Tolls or other Officers to be appointed for the Purposes of this Act, for the due and faithful Execution of their respective Offices, as they the said Trustees shall think proper; and that no such Treasurer, Receiver, Collector, or other Officer, shall be permitted to enter upon such their Offices respectively, until they shall have given such Security.

Clerk not to act as Treasurer, and vice versa.

XIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Trustees, to appoint the Person who may be appointed to act as their Clerk in the Execution of this Act, or the Partner of any such Clerk, the Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act, or to appoint the Person who may be appointed Treasurer, or the Partner of any such Treasurer, the Clerk to the said Trustees; and if any Person shall act in both the Capacities of Clerk and Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act, or if any Person being the Partner of any such Clerk, shall act as Treasurer, or being the Partner of any such Treasurer, shall act as Clerk in the Execution of this Act, every Person so offending shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds to any Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, to be recovered with Costs of Suit in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt, or on the Case, or by Bill, Suit, or Information, wherein no Effoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, nor more than one Imparance shall be allowed.

Trustees may remove Collectors and appoint temporary ones.

XX. And be it further enacted, That when and so often as any Collector or Receiver of the Tolls shall die, or neglect, or refuse to perform, or become incapable of performing his Duty, or shall abscond or absent himself, it shall be lawful for any Five or more of the said Trustees, although not assembled at a Meeting of the said Trustees, to be appointed by virtue of this Act, to discharge such Collector or Receiver so neglecting or refusing to perform, or becoming incapable of performing his Duty, or absconding or absenting himself, and to nominate and appoint some other Person or Persons to be Collector or Receiver of the said Tolls, until the then next Meeting of the said Trustees, in the Stead of such Collector or Receiver who shall so die or be discharged; and such Person or Persons so nominated and appointed, shall have the like Power and Authority, and be answerable and accountable in the like Manner in all Respects, as the

the Collector or Receiver, who shall so die or be discharged, would have had or been subject to: and that if any Collector or Receiver of the said Tolls, who shall be discharged from his Office by virtue of this Act, or the Wife or Widow, or any of the Children, Family, or other Representatives of any Collector or Receiver who shall die or be discharged, or any other Person or Persons who may have the Possession of any Toll-House or Building, or any Appurtenances thereto, to be erected, set up, or used by virtue of this Act, shall neglect or refuse to deliver up the Possession thereof for the Space of Seven Days next after Demand thereof made, by Notice in Writing signed by any Five or more of the said Trustees, (although not assembled at a Meeting,) or by their Clerk or Clerks, Treasurer or Treasurers, for that Purpose given to such Collector or Receiver, or other Person or Persons, or left at any such Toll-House, Building, or Premises; then and in any of the said Cases it shall be lawful for any One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Kent*, by Warrant under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, to order any Constable or other Peace Officer for the said County, with such Assistance as may be necessary, to enter such Toll-House or other Buildings or Premises in the Day-Time, and to remove the Person or Persons who shall be found therein, together with his, her, or their Goods, out of the same, and put the said Trustees, or any Two or more of them, or such new appointed Collector or Receiver as aforesaid, into the Possession thereof.

Collectors refusing to deliver up Toll-houses, &c.

Justices empowered to grant Warrants, and Constable to enter and remove such Collectors, &c.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees may sue and be sued in the Name or Names of their Treasurer or Clerk, or in the Name or Names of any one of the said Trustees, on Behalf of the said Trustees, and no such Action shall abate or be discontinued by the Death or Removal of the Person in whose Name, or against whom the same shall be brought or commenced, nor by the Act of such Person or Persons, done without the Consent of the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a Meeting to be holden in pursuance of this Act; but no Treasurer, Clerk, or Trustee, or any or either of them, shall be subject to the Payment of any Debt, Costs, or Expences, on Account thereof, but all such Debts, Costs, and Expences shall be defrayed out of the Money arising by virtue of this Act, collected or received by the said Trustees.

Actions to be brought in the Name of the Treasurer or Clerk, or of Trustees, who are not to be personally liable to Costs.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Seven or more of them, from Time to Time, to erect and set up, or cause to be erected and set up, such and so many Turnpikes or Toll Gates, in, upon, and across, or on the Side or Sides of any Part or Parts of the said Road, and across any Lane or Way, leading into, from, or out of the same, and also such Toll House or Toll Houses, Weighing Engine or Weighing Engines, to each Gate or Turnpike, or otherwise, as they shall think necessary, with suitable Out-Buildings thereto; and that the following Sums of Money shall and may be demanded and taken as Tolls, before any Horse, Beast, Cattle, or Carriage shall be permitted to pass through any such Turnpike or Toll Gate, Turnpikes or Toll Gates respectively; (that is to say,)

Trustees may erect Toll-houses, &c.

For every Horse, or Beast of Draught, drawing any Coach, Chariot, Berlin, Landau, Hearse, Chaise, or other such Carriage, having more than Two Wheels, the Sum of Three-pence: Tolls.

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For every Horse drawing a Caravan, or other Vehicle, (other than such as are hereinbefore described,) having less than Four Wheels, and carrying Passengers for Hire, the Sum of Sixpence :

For every Horse, or Beast of Draught, drawing any Waggon, Wain, or other such Carriage, having more than Two Wheels, the Fellies and Tire of such Wheels being not less than the Breadth of Six Inches from Side to Side, at the Bottom or Sole thereof, the Sum of One Penny :

For every Horse, or Beast of Draught, drawing any Waggon, Wain, or other such Carriage, having more than Two Wheels, the Fellies and Tire of such Wheels being less than the Breadth of Six Inches from Side to Side, at the Bottom or Sole thereof, the Sum of Two-pence :

For every Horse, or Beast of Draught, drawing any Cart, Wain, or other such Carriage, with Two Wheels, the Fellies and Tire of such Wheels being not less than the Breadth of Six Inches from Side to Side, at the Bottom or Sole thereof, the Sum of Two-pence :

For every Horse, or Beast of Draught, drawing any Cart, Wain, or other such Carriage, with Two Wheels, the Fellies and Tire of such Wheels being less than the Breadth of Six Inches from Side to Side, at the Bottom or Sole thereof, the Sum of Four-pence.

For every Horse, Mule, or Ass, laden or unladen, and not drawing, the Sum of One Penny :

For every Drove of Oxen, or neat Cattle, the Sum of Ten-pence a Score, and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number :

For every Drove of Calves, Swine, Sheep, or Lambs, (except a single Calf, Swine, Sheep, or Lamb, for which the Sum of One Halfpenny shall be paid,) the Sum of Five-pence a Score, and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number :

Recovery
of Tolls.

Which said respective Tolls shall be, and they are hereby vested in the said Trustees ; and if any Person or Persons, subject to the Payment of any of the said Tolls, shall, after Demand thereof made by any Collector or Collectors to be appointed as aforesaid, or his or their Servant or Agent, neglect or refuse to pay the same, or any Part thereof, it shall be lawful for the said respective Collectors of the Tolls, or other Person or Persons whom they or any of them shall take to their Assistance therein, to seize and distrain any Horse, Beast, or other Cattle, upon which, or upon the Coach, Chaise, Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage drawn by them, any such Tolls are by this Act imposed, or the Loading, Harness, or Accoutrements of any such Horses, Beast, or other Cattle, belonging to any Person or Persons so neglecting or refusing, and liable to pay the Tolls as aforesaid, (except the Bridle or Reins of any such Horse or other Beast, separate from such Horse or other Beast ;) and if such Tolls, and the reasonable Charges of such Seizure and Distress, and of detaining and keeping the same, shall not be paid within the Space of Four Days next after such Seizure and Distress made, the Person or Persons so seizing and distraining, shall and may sell the Horse, Beast, or Cattle, and other Property, or any Part thereof so seized and distrained, rendering the Overplus (if any) on Demand to the Owner thereof,

thereof, after such Tolls and all reasonable Charges shall have been deducted.

XXIII. Provided also; and be it further enacted, That no Toll-Gate shall hereafter be erected on the said Road, unless the same shall be ordered by the said Trustees, at a Meeting, of which Seven Days' Notice shall have been given, in Manner hereinbefore mentioned, and unless Seven Trustees at least, shall sign the said Order at such Meeting; nor shall any such Toll-Gate, when erected, be taken down or removed, except by Order of the said Trustees at a Meeting, of which the like Notice shall have been given, and signed by the like Number of such Trustees.

How Toll-Gates are to be erected.

No Turnpike to be removed except by Order made at Meetings.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That upon Payment of the said Tolls, the Collector or Receiver thereof shall, and he is hereby required to deliver *gratis*, to the Person paying such Toll, a Note or Ticket denoting such Payment, and which Note or Ticket shall be provided by the said Trustees, and there shall be printed and specified thereon, the Names of the several and respective Gates freed by such Payment.

Trustees to provide Tickets denoting payment of Tolls, &c.

XXV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, or any Seven or more of them, and they are hereby empowered, at a Meeting to be holden for that Purpose, from Time to Time to lessen or reduce all or any of the said Tolls, either at all, or any one or more of the Toll-Gates for the Time being, at which such Tolls shall be payable, and in such Manner as to them shall seem fit and convenient, and to cause such reduced Tolls to be continued and taken for and during such Time as they, the said Trustees, shall think proper; and afterwards, at any Meeting to be holden and appointed as aforesaid, from Time to Time, if they, the said Trustees, or any Seven or more of them, shall see Occasion, to advance all or any of the Tolls so lessened or reduced, to any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding the several Rates granted by this Act, or made payable by any Act or Acts of Parliament now or hereafter to be in force, with respect to Over-Weights, or otherwise: Provided nevertheless, That until the whole Money borrowed on the Credit of the said Tolls shall have been paid and discharged, such Tolls shall not be lessened or reduced without the Consent of the Person or Persons entitled to Five-sixth Parts of the Money remaining due upon the Credit of the said Tolls.

Trustees may reduce the Tolls,

and afterwards advance them again to any Sum not exceeding the Rates before granted;

provided no Reduction be made without the Consent of the Creditors.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Person shall have paid the Toll hereby authorized to be taken for the passing of any Horse, Cattle, Beast, or Carriage through any of the said Toll Gates erected or set up by virtue of this Act, such Person shall, upon producing a Note or Ticket denoting the Payment thereof, on that Day, (which Note or Ticket the Collector or Collectors of the said Tolls, is and are hereby required to deliver *gratis*, on Demand, to every Person paying the said Tolls,) be permitted to pass Toll free, with the same Horse, Cattle, Beast, and Carriage, through the same, and every other Toll-Gate, on the said Road, at any Time or Times during the Day, (such Day to be computed from Twelve of the Clock at Night to Twelve of the Clock in the next succeeding Night.)

Tolls to be paid but once a Day.

XXVII. Pro-

Carriages laden with Materials for Building to pay a further Toll on passing laden again through the same Gate.

XXVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That all Carts, Waggon, and other Carriages laden with Bricks, Tiles, Stone, Lime, or Timber, which shall have passed through any of the Turnpikes upon the said Road, and shall have paid Toll thereat, and shall afterwards pass through the same again on the same Day laden as aforesaid, shall be liable to pay a further like Toll, for every Time the same Carriage shall pass again so laden on the same Day, through the same Turnpikes at which Toll was before paid as aforesaid, or any of them: Provided always, that only One Payment be made for each such Load, any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

For preventing Toll-Collectors from taking any undue Tolls.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Toll Collector, being Lessee of the said Tolls, or appointed either by the said Trustees, or by any such Lessee or Lessees, to collect the Tolls by this Act granted, shall, and he is hereby required to place his Christian and Surname, painted on a Board in legible Characters, in the Front or some other conspicuous Part of the Toll-House or Toll-Gate, immediately on his coming on Duty, each of the Letters of such Name or Names to be at least Two Inches in Length, and of a Breadth in Proportion, and painted either in White Letters on a Black Ground, or Black Letters on a White Ground, and shall continue the same so placed during the whole Time he shall be upon such Duty; and if any Collector of the said Tolls shall not place such Board as aforesaid, and keep the same there during the Time aforesaid, or shall demand or take a greater or less Toll from any Person than he shall be authorized to do by virtue of this Act, or of the Orders and Resolutions of the Trustees made in pursuance thereof; or shall demand and take a Toll from any Person or Persons who shall be exempt from the Payment thereof, and claim such Exemption; or shall refuse to permit or suffer or shall in anywise hinder any Person or Persons from reading such Christian or Surname, or shall refuse to tell his Christian or Surname to any Person or Persons who shall demand the same, on having paid the said Tolls or any of them, or shall in answer to such Demand, give a false Name or Names; or shall refuse or neglect to give a Ticket, denoting the Payment of the said Toll, or upon the legal Toll being paid or tendered, shall unnecessarily detain or wilfully obstruct, hinder, or prevent any Passenger or Passengers from passing through any Turnpike or Toll-Gate; or shall make use of any scurrilous or abusive Language to any Trustee, Treasurer, Clerk, Surveyor, or other Officer, or any Passenger or Passengers, then and in every such case, every such Toll Collector shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for every such Offence, as the Justice or Justices before whom the Information shall be laid shall adjudge, to be recovered and applied as hereinafter mentioned.

None to collect Tolls but those appointed by the Trustees.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Person not duly authorized and empowered by the said Trustees, shall take, collect, or receive any of the said Tolls, every such Offender shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds as the Justice by and before whom such Offender shall be convicted, shall adjudge proper.

Toll-Gates, &c. vested in the Trustees.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That the Right and Property in all the Toll-Gates, Toll-Houses, Weighing Machines, and the several Conveniences

ences and Appurtenances thereto belonging, which shall be erected or made upon, or on the Sides of the said Road, by virtue of this Act, and the Materials for building and repairing the same, and for repairing the said Road, and all other Materials, Articles, and Things which shall be purchased, collected, or provided for the Purposes of this Act, shall be vested in the said Trustees, and they or any Seven or more of them are hereby authorized and empowered to sell or dispose of the same, as they shall think proper, and to bring or cause to be brought any Action or Actions, and to prefer and prosecute, or cause to be preferred and prosecuted, any Bill or Bills of Indictment, against any Person or Persons who shall steal, take away, break down, or damage any such Toll-Gates, Toll-Houses, Conveniences, Appurtenances, Materials, Articles, or Things, or disturb them or their Agents or Servants in the Possession thereof; in which Bill or Bills of Indictment, it shall be sufficient to state generally such Toll-Gates, Toll-Houses, Conveniences, Appurtenances, Materials, Articles, or Things, to be the Property of the Clerk for the Time being to the said Trustees.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That no Toll shall be demanded or taken at any Toll-Gate or Turnpike, to be erected by virtue of this Act, on the Side or Sides of any Part of the said Road, for any Horse, Cattle, or Carriage, which shall only cross the said Road, or any Part thereof; or shall not pass above One Hundred Yards thereon, unless such crossing shall be with Intent to evade the Payment of Toll at any of the said Turnpikes or Toll-Gates, and the Payment of such Toll shall be thereby evaded.

No Toll for crossing the Road only.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That if any Dispute shall happen about the Amount of the Tolls, or the Charges of making, keeping or selling any Distress, for recovery of the said Tolls, it shall and may be lawful for the Collector, or the Person so distraining, to retain such Distress, or the Money arising from the Sale thereof, (as the Case may happen,) until the Amount of the Tolls due, and the Charges of the Distress and Sale, and of keeping the Distress, be ascertained by some Justice of the Peace for the County of *Kent*, who, upon Application made to him for that Purpose, shall examine the Matter on the Oath of the Parties, or other Witness or Witnesses, (which Oath such Justice is hereby authorized to administer,) and shall determine the Amount of the Tolls due, and shall award such Costs and Charges to either Party, as to the said Justice shall appear right and proper, all which Costs and Charges shall and may be levied and recovered in case of Non-Payment thereof forthwith, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of such Justice, rendering the Overplus (if any) upon Demand, after deducting the Costs and Charges of making such Distress and Sale, to the Person or Persons whose Goods and Chattels shall have been so distrained and sold.

For settling disputes concerning Tolls.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Dispute, Suit, or Litigation shall arise, touching or in anywise relating to the said Tolls; the Person or Persons appointed to collect the same, or any other Person or Persons acting by or under the Authority of the said Trustees, shall not be incompetent to give Evidence in any such Dispute, Suit, or Litigation, by reason of his, her, or their being so appointed or interested under such

Toll-Bar Keepers not to be deemed incompetent Witnesses.

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Appointment, or being paid to collect the Tolls, or acting, or being paid to act, under the Authority of the said Trustees.

Penalty for evading Tolls.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall with any Horse, Cattle, Beast, or Carriage, pass through any Lands or Hereditaments (not being the Owner or Owners, or Occupier or Occupiers thereof, or any of his, her, or their Family or Servants,) lying near any Turnpike or Toll-Gate which shall be erected by virtue of this Act, (the same not being a Public Highway,) or if any Owner or Occupier of such Lands, Grounds or Hereditaments, shall knowingly permit or suffer any Person or Persons, (not being his, her, or their Servant or Servants, or of his, her, or their Family,) with any Horse, Cattle, Beast, or Carriage whatsoever, to pass through the same, with Intent to evade the said Tolls, or any of them; or if any Person or Persons shall give to or receive from any Person or Persons, or forge or counterfeit any Note or Ticket, Notes or Tickets, by this Act directed to be given, with Intention to evade the Payment of the said Tolls, or any Parts thereof; or if any Person or Persons shall fraudulently pass through any such Turnpike or Toll-Gate with any Horse, Beast, or other Cattle, without Payment of Toll, or shall take off, or cause to be taken off any Horse, Beast, or other Cattle from any Carriage, or having passed through any such Turnpike or Toll-Gate, shall afterwards add or put an additional Horse or Horses, Beast or Beasts, to such Carriage, with Intent to evade the Payment of the said Tolls, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Exempting the Royal Family from Toll.

XXXV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That this Act shall not extend, or be construed to extend to charge with Toll any Horses or Carriages belonging to their Majesties, or any of the Royal Family, or any of the Horses of His Majesty's Guards, or any Horses or Carriages conveying Persons regularly attending their Majesties, or any of the Royal Family.

Exemptions from Tolls.

XXXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted and declared, That no Person shall be charged with any of the said Tolls for or in respect of the Horses or Cattle drawing any Carriage laden with Stones, Gravel, or other Materials for repairing any Roads or Highways within any of the Parishes of *Greenwich, Charlton, and Woolwich*, in which the said Road doth lie, or laden only with Dung, Mould, or Compost of any Nature or Kind whatsoever for manuring of Land, or with any Hay or Corn in the Straw, not bought, sold, or disposed of, or passing to be sold or disposed of, but to be laid in the Houses or Barns of the respective Inhabitants of the said several Parishes, or carrying or conveying any Ploughs, Harrows or other Implements of Husbandry, belonging to any such Inhabitants; or for or in respect of the Horses or Cattle drawing any Carriage going empty for such Lading as aforesaid, or returning empty, having been so laden; or from any Person or Persons going to or returning from his, her, or their proper Parochial Church or Chapel, or other Place of Religious Worship tolerated by Law, on *Sundays*, or any other Day in which Divine Service is ordered by Authority to be celebrated, or going to or returning from attending the Funeral of any Person who shall die and be buried in any of the Parishes in which the said Road lies;

or from any Clergyman going to visit, or returning from visiting any sick Person, or other his Parochial or Ministerial Duty; or for or in respect of any Horses or other Cattle going to or returning from Pasture or Watering Places, or going to be or returning from being shod, or farried; or any Horses or Carriages of whatsoever Description, employed or to be employed in conveying the Mails of Letters and Expresses under the Authority of His Majesty's Postmaster-General, either when employed in conveying, fetching, or guarding such Mails or Expresses, or in returning back from conveying or guarding the same; or any Horse used only to ride on by the Owner or Driver of any Waggon, Cart, or Carriage, provided such Horse do pass through the Toll-Gates or Turnpikes with such Waggon, Cart, or Carriage; or for or in respect of any Horses or Carriages employed only in the Conveyance of Vagrants sent by legal Passes; or for any Waggon, Wain, Cart or other Carriage whatsoever; or the Horse or Horses; or other Cattle drawing the same, which shall be employed in carrying or conveying any Naval Ordnance, Barrack, or Commissariat, or other Public Stores of or belonging to His Majesty, or for the use of His Majesty's Forces, or returning after having been so employed, or for any Horses belonging to Officers or Soldiers upon their March or upon Duty; or for any Horses, Cattle, or Carriages employed in carrying or conveying the Arms or Baggage of any such Officers or Soldiers, or in carrying any sick, wounded, or disabled Officers or Soldiers, or returning empty, having been so employed; or for the Horses or Carriages of any Persons going to or returning from any Election of a Knight or Knights of the Shire to serve in Parliament for the said County of *Kent* during the Time of such Election, or on the Day before or Day after such Election shall begin or be concluded; nor shall any Toll be demanded or taken by virtue of this Act for any Horse furnished by or for any Person belonging to any Corps of Yeomanry or Volunteer Cavalry, and rode by him in going to or returning from the Place appointed for and on the Days of Exercise, provided such Persons be in the Uniform of their respective Corps, and have their Arms, Furniture, and Accoutrements according to the Regulations provided for such Corps respectively at the Time of claiming such Exemption; and if any Person shall claim or take the Benefit of such Exemptions aforesaid, or any of them, not being entitled to the same, every Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Pounds.

XXXVII. And be it further enacted, That no Person or Persons driving, or causing to be driven, any Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage provided for the Service of His Majesty's Forces, or conveying any Navy, Ordnance, or other Public Stores of or belonging to His Majesty, or for the Use of His Majesty's Forces, shall be subject to any Penalty or Forfeiture for Over-Weight; nor shall any such Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage be stopt or detained by reason of any Weight in any such Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, or of being drawn by any Number of Horses or Oxen; but it shall be lawful for any Owner or Driver of any such Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, to put any Number of Horses or Oxen to such Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage; any Thing in any Act or Acts of Parliament relating to Highways or Turnpike Roads, or in this Act, contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Carriages conveying Military Stores not to be subject to Penalties, &c. for Over-Weight, &c.

XXXVIII. And

Trustees may
let Tolls.

XXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Seven or more of them, at any Meeting, from Time to Time, by Writing under their Hands and Seals, to let or demise the Tolls arising by virtue of this Act, or any Part or Parts thereof, for any Term not exceeding Three Years, upon public Bidding, to the highest Bidder, and for the best Price that can be gotten for the same, payable at such Time, and to such Persons, and under such Conditions and Agreements, and with such Sureties, for the Payment thereof as the said Trustees shall think fit, and the Money arising thereby, shall be applied in such Manner, as the Tolls so leased are directed to be applied.

Lessees of
Tolls may
appoint Per-
sons to re-
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same.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That during such Time as the said Tolls, or any Part or Parts thereof shall be leased, demised, or in farm to any Person or Persons, it shall and may be lawful, to and for the Lessee or Lessees, Farmer or Farmers thereof, or such other Person or Persons, as he or they shall authorize or appoint, to demand and take the said Tolls so leased, demised, or farmed, with the like Powers for the Recovery thereof to all Intents and Purposes, as any Collector of the said Tolls appointed by the said Trustees, is hereby authorized and empowered to demand, take, and recover the same; and such Lessee or Lessees, Farmer or Farmers, or other Person or Persons as aforesaid, so demanding and taking the said Tolls, shall be subject to the like Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures, and shall be liable to the like Actions and Prosecutions, and to such Rules and Regulations as any Collector of the said Tolls appointed by the said Trustees, is hereby made subject or liable to.

Power to
borrow
Money.

XL. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Seven or more of them, from Time to Time, to borrow and take up at Interest, such Sum or Sums of Money as they shall think fit upon the Credit of the Tolls, arising by virtue of this Act, or any Part or Parts thereof, and by Writing under their Hands and Seals to assign over the said Tolls, or any Part or Parts thereof, and the Turnpike Gates, and Toll Houses, for collecting the same, and all other Buildings erected in pursuance of this Act, (the Charges of such Mortgages or Assignments to be paid out of the said Tolls,) to any Person or Persons, for any Term during the Continuance of this Act, as a Security or Securities for the Payment of the several Sums that shall be borrowed with the Interest thereof, which Assignments or Mortgages, shall be in the Words or to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

Form of
Assignment.

‘ BY virtue of an Act passed in the Fifty-eighth Year of the Reign of
 ‘ King George the Third, intituled, *An Act [here set forth the Title*
 ‘ *of this Act,]* We, Seven of the Trustees acting in the Execution of
 ‘ the said Act, in Consideration of the Sum of
 ‘ to the Treasurer of the said Road in Hand paid, by
 ‘ do hereby grant, bargain, sell, and demise unto the said
 ‘ Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, such Proportion of the
 ‘ Tolls arising by virtue of the said Act as the Sum of
 ‘ doth or shall bear to the whole Sum advanced or to be advanced
 ‘ on the Credit of the said Tolls, to be had and holden from the
 ‘ Day of _____ for and during the Continuance of the said Act,
 ‘ unless the said Sum of _____ with Interest for the
 ‘ same, at the Rate of _____ *per Centum per Annum*, shall be sooner re-
 ‘ paid

paid and satisfied. Given under our Hands and Seals, this
 Day of _____ in the Year of our Lord

And Copies of all such Mortgages and Assignments shall be entered in a Book to be provided and kept for that Purpose, by the Clerk to the said Trustees; and all Mortgages or Assignments which shall be made in the Manner and Form aforesaid shall be good, valid, and effectual in Law, to all Intents and Purposes; and all Persons to whom any such Mortgages or Assignments shall be made as aforesaid, or who shall be entitled to the Money thereby secured, may from Time to Time, by Writing under their respective Hands, and Seals, transfer their Right, Title, Interest, and Benefit in and to the said Security, and the Principal and Interest thereby secured, to any Persons or Person whomsoever, by Indorsement on such Security, to be executed in the Presence of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses; which Transfer shall be in the Words or to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

I, _____ do transfer the within Mortgage, and all the Principal Money and Interest now due thereon, unto
 Executors, Administrators, and Assigns. Witness my Hand and Seal,
 this _____ Day of _____

Form of Transfer.

All which Transfers shall be produced and notified to the Clerk to the said Trustees, who shall cause an Entry or Memorial to be made thereof, containing the Dates, Names of the Parties, and Sums of Money, in a Book to be kept for that Purpose, for which the said Clerk shall receive the Sum of Five Shillings and no more; and after such Entry made, every such Transfer shall entitle the respective Assignees or Persons to whom the same shall be made, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to the full and entire Benefit thereof; and every such Assignee shall and may in like Manner assign and transfer again, and so *toties quoties*; and it shall not be in the Power of any Person, who shall have made such Assignment or Transfer, afterwards to make void, release, or discharge the same Security, or any Monies thereon due, or any Part thereof; and all Persons to whom such Mortgages, Assignments, or Transfers shall be made as aforesaid, shall be, in Proportion to the Sums therein respectively mentioned, Creditors on such Tolls, Turnpikes, Toll Houses, and other Buildings, in equal Degree one with another; and no Person shall have any Preference in respect to the Priority of advancing any such Monies, or to the Dates of such Mortgages or Assignments.

XLI. And be it further enacted, That all the Tolls and other Monies arising by virtue of this Act, shall be applied and disposed of by the said Trustees in Manner following; (that is to say,) in repairing, widening, and improving the said Road, and in erecting Turnpikes, Toll Houses, and other necessary Buildings thereupon, and for other Purposes, from Time to Time, relating to and attending the Execution of this Act, and in paying and keeping down the Interest of the Principal Monies to be borrowed on the Credit of the Tolls hereby granted, and afterwards in paying off and discharging such Principal Monies, and to and for no other Purpose whatsoever.

Application of the Tolls and Money borrowed.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, and for their Surveyor or Surveyors, [Local.] _____ 20 O _____ veyors, Power to enter Lands and stake out

Ground for
widening the
Road.

veyors, and Workmen, with or without Carriages and Cattle, from Time to Time to enter upon the Lands and Grounds through or adjoining to which, or whereupon the said Road, hereby authorized to be widened, is intended to pass, and to stake out and make the same of such Width, (not exceeding Sixty Feet,) and in such Manner as the said Trustees shall think necessary or proper, without being deemed a Trespasser or Trespassers, and without being subject or liable to any Fine, Penalty, or Punishment for entering or continuing upon any Part or Parts of such Lands or Grounds respectively, for any of the Purposes of this Act, making Satisfaction to the Occupiers of such Lands and Grounds for the Damage that shall be done to the Lands or Grounds on the Sides of the said Road, whilst the same shall be making; and if any Person shall wilfully pull up, remove, or destroy any of the Stakes or other Marks used in laying out or making any Part of such Road, every Person so offending shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Trustees may
widen and di-
vert the
Road, and
treat for
Ground for
that Purpose.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, and they are hereby fully authorized and empowered to repair, improve, and from Time to Time to widen, divert, shorten, vary, and alter, within the Distance hereinafter mentioned, the Course or Path of any Part or Parts of the said Road through any Private Grounds or Hereditaments, first making Satisfaction to the Owners thereof and Persons interested therein, for the Damage they shall sustain thereby; and for that Purpose it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, to treat, contract, and agree with the Owners of, and Persons interested in any Lands or Hereditaments which the said Trustees shall judge necessary for the Purposes aforesaid, for the Purchase thereof, or for the Loss or Damage such Owners or Persons may sustain by the widening, diverting, turning, or altering the Course or Path of any Parts of the said Road through such Lands or Hereditaments; and it shall be lawful for all Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations aggregate or sole, Tenants for Life or in Fee Tail, general or special, or for Years determinable on any Life or Lives, Husbands, Guardians, Trustees, or Feoffees in Trust, Committees, Executors, Administrators, and all other Trustees and Persons whomsoever, not only for and on Behalf of themselves, their Heirs and Successors, but also for and on Behalf of their *Cestuique* Trusts, whether Femes Covert, Infants, or Issue Unborn, Lunatics, Idiots, or other Person or Persons whomsoever, and to and for all Femes Covert who are or shall be seized of, or interested in their own Right, and to and for all and every Person and Persons whomsoever, who are or shall be seized, possessed of, or interested in any such Lands or Hereditaments, to contract and agree with the said Trustees, for Recompence and Satisfaction, to be made for such Damages as aforesaid, or to sell and convey unto them all or any such Lands or Hereditaments, or any Part thereof for the Purposes aforesaid, and all Contracts, Sales, and Conveyances which shall be so made, shall be valid to all Intents and Purposes, any Law, Statute, Usage, or other Matter to the contrary notwithstanding; and all such Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations aggregate or sole, Tenants for Life or in Fee Tail, general or special, or Lessees for Years determinable on any Life or Lives, Husbands, Guardians, Trustees, Feoffees, Committees, Execu-
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tors, Administrators, and all other Persons, shall be and are hereby indemnified for what they or any of them shall lawfully do, by virtue or in pursuance of this Act: Provided always, that it shall not be lawful for the said Trustees, in widening, diverting, shortening, varying, and altering any Part of the said Road to deviate more than One Hundred Yards from the present Line or Course of the said Road, without the Consent in Writing of the Owners, or reputed Owners and Occupiers for the Time being, of the Lands which may be affected by such Deviation.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Bodies Politic, Corporate or Collegiate, Corporations aggregate or sole, Tenants for Life, or in Fee Tail, general or special, or for Years determinable on any Life or Lives, Husbands, Guardians, Trustees, Feoffees, Committees, Executors, or any other Person or Persons interested in any such Lands or Hereditaments as aforesaid, upon Notice to him, her, or them given, or left in Writing at the Dwelling-House or Dwelling-Houses, Place or Places of Abode of such Person or Persons, or of the Principal Officer or Officers of any such Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations aggregate or sole, or at the House of the Tenant in Possession of Lands or Hereditaments, through which any Part of the said Road is intended to be widened, diverted, or altered, shall, for the Space of Twenty-one Days next after such Notice given or left as aforesaid, neglect or refuse to treat, or shall not agree in the Premises, or by reason of Absence shall be prevented from treating, then, and in every such Case, the said Trustees shall cause such Damage or Recompence as aforesaid, to be enquired into and ascertained by a Jury of Twelve indifferent Men of the County in which the Land shall be situated, from the Neighbourhood of the Place where such Lands and Hereditaments do lie; and in Order thereto the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, are hereby empowered and required, from Time to Time as Occasion shall require, to summon and call before such Jury, and examine upon Oath all and every Person and Persons whomsoever, who shall be thought necessary and proper to be examined concerning the Premises, (which Oath any One or more of the said Trustees is and are hereby empowered to administer,) and such Trustees shall, by ordering a View or otherwise, use all lawful Ways and Means, as well for their own as for the Jury's Information in the Premises; and after the said Jury shall have enquired of and assessed such Damages and Recompence, they the said Trustees shall thereupon order, adjudge, and determine the Sum or Sums of Money so assessed by the said Jury, to be paid to the said Owners or other Persons interested in the said Land or Hereditaments according to the Verdict or Inquisition of such Jury; and such Verdict and Inquisition, Order or Determination thereon, shall be final, binding, and conclusive, to all Intents and Purposes against all Parties and Persons whomsoever claiming, or to claim any Estate in Possession, Reversion, or Remainder in Fee or in Fee Tail general or special, or for Life or Lives, or for Years determinable on any Life or Lives, or otherwise, their Heirs and Successors, as well absent as present, Infants, Females Covert, Lunatics, Idiots, and Persons under any other Disability whatsoever, Bodies Politic, Corporate, and Collegiate, Corporations aggregate or sole, as well as all and every other Person or Persons whomsoever: and for summoning and returning such Juries, the said Trustees are hereby empowered to issue their

Where Persons interested neglect or refuse to treat.

Trustees to
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their Warrant to the Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, requiring him to impanel, summon, and return an indifferent Jury of Twenty-four Persons, from the Neighbourhood of the Place where such Lands and Hereditaments lie, qualified to serve upon Juries, to appear before the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at such Time and Place as in such Warrant or Warrants shall be appointed; and such Sheriff, or his Deputy or Deputies, is and are hereby required to impanel, summon, and return such Number of Persons accordingly; and out of the Persons so impanelled, summoned, and returned, or out of such of them as shall appear upon such Summons, the said Trustees shall, and they are hereby empowered and required to swear, or cause to be sworn Twelve Men who shall be a Jury for the Purposes aforesaid; and in Default of a sufficient Number of Jurymen, the said Sheriff, or his Deputy or Deputies, shall return other honest and indifferent Men of the Standers by, or that can speedily be procured to attend that Service, to the Number of Twelve; and all Persons concerned shall have their lawful Challenges against the said Jurymen, when they come to be sworn; and the said Trustees acting in the Premises, shall have Power from Time to Time to impose any reasonable Fine or Fines upon such Sheriff, his Deputy or Deputies, Bailiff or Bailiffs, Agent or Agents making Default in the Premises, and on any of the Persons that shall be summoned and returned on such Jury, who shall not appear, or appearing shall refuse to be sworn on the said Jury, or being sworn shall refuse to give, or shall not give their Verdict, or in any other Manner wilfully neglect their Duty therein, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, and on any of the Persons who, being required to give Evidence before the said Jury, shall refuse or neglect to appear, after having been paid or tendered a reasonable Sum for his, her, or their Costs, Charges, and Expences, or appearing shall refuse to be sworn and examined, or to give Evidence, or shall otherwise wilfully misconduct themselves in giving their Evidence, so that no One Fine be more than Five Pounds on any one Person, for any one Offence.

Trustees may
impose Fines
on Sheriff,
Jurymen, or
Witnesses,
making De-
fault, &c.

Expenses of
the Jury and
Witnesses
how to be
paid.

XLV. And be it further enacted, That in case any Jury or Juries to be summoned and sworn pursuant to the Direction or Authority of this Act, shall give in and deliver a Verdict or Assessment for more Money, as a Recompence or Satisfaction for the Right, Interest, or Property of any Person or Persons in any such Lands or Hereditaments, or for any Loss or Damage to be by him or them sustained, than what shall have been agreed to and offered by the said Trustees, before the summoning and returning of the said Jury or Juries, as a Recompence or Satisfaction for any such Right, Interest or Property, or for any Loss or Damage as aforesaid, then and in such Case, the Costs and Expences of summoning and maintaining the said Jury and Witnesses, and all other Expences attending the hearing and determining of such Differences, shall be borne and paid by the Treasurer to the said Trustees out of any Money which shall then be in his Hands, or out of any Money to be received by virtue of this Act; but if any Jury or Juries so summoned and sworn as aforesaid, shall give in and deliver a Verdict or Assessment for no more or less Money than shall have been agreed to and offered by the said Trustees before the summoning or returning of the said Jury or Juries, as a Recompence and Satisfaction for any such Right, Interest, or Property in such Lands or Hereditaments, or Loss or Damage as aforesaid, then the Costs and Expences of summoning

ing and maintaining the said Jury and Witneses as aforesaid, shall be borne and paid by the Person or Persons with whom the said Trustees shall have such Controversy or Dispute, which said Costs and Expences, having been ascertained and settled by some one Justice of the Peace for the said County, not interested in the Matter in Question, (who is hereby required to examine and settle the same,) shall and may be deducted out of the Money so assessed and adjudged, as so much Money advanced to and for the Use of such Person or Persons, and the Payment or Tender of the Remainder of such Monies, shall be deemed and taken to all Intents and Purposes to be a Payment or Tender of the whole Sum or Sums so assessed and adjudged; or otherwise such Costs and Expences, in Case the same be not paid upon Demand, after being so ascertained and settled as aforesaid, may be recovered by the Clerk or Clerks to the said Trustees, by the Ways and Means hereinafter mentioned or provided for the Recovery of Penalties and Forfeitures: Provided always, that in all Cases where any Person or Persons shall, by reason of Absence, have been prevented from treating about such Recompence or Satisfaction as aforesaid, such Costs and Expences shall be borne and paid by the said Trustees in Manner aforesaid.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That every Sum of Money or Recompence to be agreed for or assessed as aforesaid, shall be paid out of the Tolls by this Act granted, or out of the Monies to be borrowed on the Credit thereof, to the Party or Parties respectively entitled thereto or to their Agents; and upon Payment thereof, or depositing the same in the Bank of *England*, as hereinafter directed, (as the Case may be,) and after Fourteen Days' Notice thereof given to such Parties or Persons, or to their Agents, or left at their or any of their respective usual Places of Abode, or with the Tenant or Tenants in Possession of such Lands or Hereditaments, then such Lands or Hereditaments shall be laid into and made Part of the said Road, in such Manner as the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall direct, and shall be by them, or such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, sufficiently drained, ditched, fenced, and set out for that Purpose, and shall to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, become and be deemed and taken to be a Common Highway, and be from thenceforth Part of the said Road for ever thereafter.

Money allowed for Lands to be paid to the Party entitled, or deposited in the Bank.

XLVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Power or Authority by this Act given to the said Trustees, shall not extend to the taking down or injuring any Dwelling-House or other Building, or to the taking in of any Garden, Orchard, Yard, Park, Paddock, Planted Walk, or Avenue to a House or Plantation, or Nursery of Trees, or of any Part or Parts thereof, without the Consent in Writing of the Owners or Proprietors thereof, and other Persons interested therein, first had and obtained.

Trustees not to take down Houses, &c.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Money shall be agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchased, taken, or used, by virtue of the Powers of this Act, for the Purposes thereof, which shall belong to any Corporation, Feme Covert, Lunatic, or Person or Persons under any Disability or Incapacity, such Money shall, in case the same shall amount to or exceed the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, with all convenient speed be paid into the Bank of

Application of Compensation Money when amounting to or exceeding 200l.

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England, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant-General of the High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account, *ex parte* the Trustees for executing this Act, or any Five or more of them, to the Intent such Money shall be applied under the Direction and with the Approbation of the said Court, to be signified by an Order made upon a Petition to be preferred in a summary Way by the Person or Persons who would have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the Purchase or Redemption of the Land Tax, or towards the Discharge of any Debt or Debts, or other Incumbrances or Part thereof, as the said Court shall authorize to be paid, affecting the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or affecting other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments standing settled therewith, to the same or the like Uses, Intents and Purposes; or where such Money shall not be so applied, then the same shall be laid out and invested under the like Direction and Approbation of the said Court in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which shall be conveyed or settled to, for, and upon such and the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes, and in the same Manner as the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments which shall be so purchased, taken, or used as aforesaid, stood settled or limited, or such of them as at the Time of making such Conveyance and Settlement shall be existing undetermined and capable of taking Effect; and in the mean Time, and until such Purchase shall be made, the said Money shall, by Order of the said Court of Chancery, upon Application thereto, be invested by the said Accountant-General, in his Name, in the Purchase of Three Pounds per *Centum* Consolidated, or Three Pounds per *Centum* Reduced Bank Annuities; and in the mean Time, and until the said Bank Annuities shall be ordered by the said Court to be sold for the Purposes aforesaid, the Dividends and Annual Produce of the said Consolidated or Reduced Bank Annuities shall from Time to Time be paid, by Order of the said Court, to the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments so hereby directed to be purchased, in case no such Purchase or Settlement had been made.

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XLIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Money so agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes aforesaid, and belonging to any Corporation, or to any Person or Persons under Disability or Incapacity as aforesaid, shall be less than the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, and shall amount to or exceed the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then and in all such Cases, the same shall, at the option of the Person or Persons for the Time being entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands or Tenements so purchased, taken, or used, or of his or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, in Case of Infancy or Lunacy, to be signified in Writing under their respective Hands, be paid into the Bank, in the Name and with the Privity of the said Accountant-General of the High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account as aforesaid, in order to be applied in Manner herein-before directed; or otherwise the same shall be paid at the like Option to Two Trustees, to be nominated by the Person or Persons making such Option, and approved by Five or more of the said Trustees for executing this Act, (such Nomination and Approbation to be signified in Writing under the Hands of the nominating and approving Parties,) in order that such Principal Money, and
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the Dividends arising thereon, may be applied in Manner herein-before directed, so far as the Case shall be applicable, without obtaining or being required to obtain the Direction or Approbation of the said Court of Chancery.

L. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where such Money so agreed or awarded to be paid as next herein-before mentioned, shall be less than Twenty Pounds, then and in such Cases the same shall be applied to the Use of the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used as aforesaid, in such Manner as the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall think fit, or in Case of Infancy or Lunacy, then to his or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, to and for the Use and Benefit of such Person or Persons so entitled respectively.

When amounting to less than 20l.

LI. And be it further enacted, That in case the Person or Persons to whom any Sum or Sums of Money shall be so ordered to be paid as aforesaid, shall not be able to make a good Title to the Premises, to the Satisfaction of the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, or shall refuse to execute such Conveyance or Conveyances, or in case such Person or Persons to whom such Sum or Sums of Money shall be so ordered to be paid as aforesaid cannot be found, or if the Person or Persons entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, be not known or discovered, then and in every such Case it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, to order the said Sum or Sums of Money so awarded, to be paid into the Bank of *England*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant-General of the said Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account, to the Credit of the Parties interested in the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, (describing them,) subject to the Order, Controul, and Disposition of the said Court of Chancery, which said Court, on the Application of any Person or Persons making Claim to such Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, by Motion or Petition, shall be and is hereby empowered, in a summary Way of Proceeding or otherwise, as to the same Court shall seem meet, to order the same to be laid out and invested in the Public Funds, or to order Distribution thereof, according to the respective Estate or Estates, Title or Interest of the Person or Persons making Claim thereunto, and to make such other Order in the Premises as to the said Court shall seem just and reasonable; and the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank of *England*, who shall receive such Sum or Sums of Money, is and are hereby required to give a Receipt or Receipts for such Sum or Sums of Money, mentioning and specifying for what, and for whose Use the same is or are received; to such Person or Persons as shall pay any such Sum or Sums of Money into the Bank as aforesaid.

In case of not making out Titles;

or if Persons cannot be found, the Purchase Money to be paid into the Bank,

subject to the Order of the Court of Chancery on Motion or Petition.

LII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where any Question shall arise touching the Title of any Person to any Money to be paid into the Bank of *England* in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant-General of the Court of Chancery, in pursuance of this Act, for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or of any Estate, Right, or Interest in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be purchased in pursuance thereof, or to any Bank Annuities to be purchased with

Persons in Possession to be deemed presumptively entitled, &c.

with any such Money, or to the Dividends or Interest of any such Bank Annuities, the Person or Persons who shall have been in Possession of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, at the Time of such Purchase, and all Persons claiming under the Possession of such Person or Persons, shall be deemed and taken to have been lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments according to such Possession, until the contrary shall be shewn to the Satisfaction of the said Court of Chancery, and the Dividends or Interest of the Bank Annuities shall be paid, applied, and disposed of accordingly, unless it shall be made appear to the said Court that such Possession was a wrongful Possession, and that some other Person or Persons was or were lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or to some Estate or Interest therein.

The Court of Chancery may direct the Payment of Expences,

LIII. Provided also, That where by reason of any Disability or Incapacity of the Person or Persons, or Corporation entitled to any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased under the Authority of this Act, the Purchase Money for the same shall be required to be paid into the said Court, and to be applied in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be settled to the like Uses in pursuance of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Court to Order the Expences of all Purchases from Time to Time to be made in pursuance of this Act, or so much of such Expences as the said Court shall deem reasonable, together with the necessary Costs and Charges of obtaining such Order to be paid by the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, who shall from Time to Time pay such Sums of Money for such Purposes as the said Court shall direct.

Trustees empowered to sell Ground not wanted for the Purposes of this Act; Persons of whom it was bought, or whose Lands adjoin, to have the first Offer.

LIV. And whereas, by reason of the Purchases which the said Trustees are empowered and required to make by virtue of this Act, or by reason of the widening, diverting, and altering of some Part or Parts of the said Road in Manner hereinbefore mentioned, they may happen to be seized of some Piece or Pieces of Ground, or Hereditaments over and above what shall be necessary for effecting the Purposes of this Act; be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, to sell and dispose of such Pieces or Parcels of Ground and Hereditaments, either together or in Parcels as they shall find most convenient and advantageous to such Person or Persons as shall be willing to contract for, and purchase the same: Provided always, that the said Trustees before they shall sell and dispose of any such Piece or Pieces of Ground as aforesaid, shall first offer the same for Sale to the Person or Persons of whom the same shall have been purchased; and in case the same shall be Part of an old Road, the same shall be offered to the Person or Persons having the Lands adjoining thereto; and if such Person or Persons shall not then and thereupon agree, (except with respect to and on account of the Price thereof as hereinafter mentioned,) or shall refuse (except with respect to and on account of the Price thereof,) to Purchase the same, an Affidavit to be made and sworn before a Master or Masters Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery, or before One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Kent*, (who are hereby respectively empowered to take the same,) by some Person or Persons no way interested in the said Piece or Pieces of Ground, stating that such offer was made by and on the Behalf of the said Trustees, and that such Offer was not then and thereupon agreed to,

or

or was refused by the Person or Persons to whom the same was so offered, shall in all Courts whatsoever, be sufficient Evidence and Proof that such Offer was made, and was not agreed to, or was refused by the Person or Persons to whom such offer was made, (as the Case may be,) and in case such Person or Persons shall be desirous of purchasing the same, and he, she, or they and the said Trustees shall differ and not agree with respect to the Price thereof, then the Price or Prices thereof shall be ascertained by a Jury in Manner hereinbefore directed, with respect to the disputed Value of the Premises to be purchased by the said Trustees in pursuance of this Act, and the Expence of hearing and determining such Difference, shall be borne and paid in like Manner as hereinbefore directed, with respect to such Purchases made by the said Trustees *mutatis mutandis*, and the Money to arise by the Sale or Sales which may be made by the said Trustees of such Piece or Parcel of Ground as aforesaid shall be applied to the Purposes of this Act; but the Purchaser or Purchasers thereof shall not be answerable or accountable for any Misapplication or Non-application of such Money.

LV. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees, or such Person or Persons as they shall for that Purpose appoint, are hereby authorized and empowered to contract with any Person or Persons for widening, improving, or repairing the said Road or any Part or Parts thereof, or any Arches or Bridges over the same, and for doing any other Work by this Act authorized to be done, in such Manner and for such Sum or Sums of Money as the said Trustees shall think proper.

Trustees may contract for Work, &c.

LVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Surveyor or Surveyors of the said Road, and to and for all such Person or Persons as he or they respectively shall appoint, to search for, cut, dig, get, gather, and take away any Furze, Heath, Stones, Gravel, Sand, or other Materials for amending and repairing the said Road, out of and from any Commons or Waste Grounds, Common River, Brook, or Pit, in any Parish, Township, Hamlet, Division, District, or Place in which any Part of the Road hereby directed to be amended, widened, and repaired shall lie, or in any adjoining Parish, Township, Hamlet, Division, District, or Place, without paying any Thing for the same, the said Surveyor or Surveyors, or other Person or Persons acting by his or their Appointment, filling up the Pits or Quarries, levelling the Ground, or sloping down the Banks where such Materials shall be taken, and railing or fencing off such Pits or Quarries so that the same may not be dangerous to Passengers or Cattle; and also that such Surveyor or Surveyors, or other Person or Persons as aforesaid, may, by Order of any Two or more Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Kent*, search for, cut, dig, gather, and take away any such materials as aforesaid, in, off, from, and out of the private Lands, Fields, or Grounds, of any Person or Persons, where the same may be had or found, such Lands, Fields, or Grounds not being a Garden or Orchard, Yard, Paddock, Walk or Walks, or Avenue to a House, or any Piece of Ground planted and set apart as a Nursery for Trees, making or tendering such Satisfaction for the same, and for any Damages done thereby to the Owners and Occupiers of the Grounds and Premises where and from whence the same shall be cut, dug, gotten, gathered, and carried away, or over which the same or any other Materials for repairing the said Road shall be carried, according

For getting Materials to make and repair the Road.

to their respective Rights and Interests in such Ground and Premises, as the said Trustees shall deem reasonable; and in case of any Difference between the said Trustees, Surveyor or Surveyors, or other Persons employed as aforesaid, and the said Owners or Occupiers or any of them, concerning the Value of such Materials and Damages, it shall and may be lawful to and for any Two Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Kent*, on Ten Days' Notice thereof in Writing being given by either Party to the other, or left at their respective Places of Abode, to hear, settle, and determine the Matters of such Payment and Damages; and the Judgment or Order of the said Justices therein shall be final and conclusive to all Parties.

Notice to be given to the Owners and Occupiers of Lands before Materials are taken for making and repairing the Road.

LVII. Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for any Surveyor or Surveyors, or other Person or Persons, under the authority of this Act, to dig, gather, get, take, or carry away any Materials for repairing and improving such Road, out of, or from any inclosed Lands or Grounds, until Notice in Writing, signed by the Surveyor or Surveyors, shall have been given to the Owner and Occupier of the Premises, or the known Agent of any such Owner from which such Materials are intended to be taken; or left for such Owner or Occupier at their respective usual Places of Residence, to appear before Two or more Justices of the Peace acting for the said County of *Kent*, to shew cause why such Materials should not be had from such Lands or Grounds; and in case such Owner and Occupier, or one of them, or their or his Agent, shall attend pursuant to such Notice, but shall not shew sufficient Cause to the contrary, then, and in such Case, such Justices shall or may authorize such Surveyor or Surveyors, or other Person or Persons, to dig, get, gather, and carry away such Materials, at such Time or Times as to such Justices shall seem proper; and if such Owner or Occupier shall neglect or refuse to appear, by himself or his Agent, without sufficient excuse, such Justices shall and may make such Order therein as they respectively shall think fit, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if such Owner or Occupier, or his Agent, had attended.

Penalty on taking away Materials, &c. got by Order of the Surveyor.

LVIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons whomsoever shall take away any Stone or other Materials which shall have been dug, gathered, or taken for the Purpose of widening or repairing the said Road, or other the Purposes by this Act authorized or directed, or any Part or Parts thereof, or shall get or take away any Stone, Gravel, or other Materials out of any Pit or Quarry which shall have been made, for the Purpose of getting such Stone, Gravel, or other Materials, before the said Surveyor or Surveyors, or his or their Workmen, shall have discontinued working therein for the Space of Three Weeks, (except the Owner or Occupier of any Private Ground wherein such Pit or Quarry shall have been so made, and Persons authorized by such Owner or Occupier to get Materials therein for his own private Use only, and not for Sale, such Owner or Occupier or other Person not taking any of the Stone, Gravel, or other Materials which may have been dug or gathered for the Purposes aforesaid, and which may remain in such Pit or Quarry,) without the Consent of the Surveyor or Surveyors of the said Road; every Person so offending shall forfeit and pay, for every such Offence, any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

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LIX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Surveyor or Surveyors, and to and for any Person or Persons whom he or they shall appoint, by Order of the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, to cut and make any Causeways or Footpaths upon the Sides of the said Road, or to cut Drains or Ditches through or into any Lands or Grounds (not being a Garden, Orchard, Yard, Park, Paddock, planted Walk, or Avenue to any House or Ground planted and set apart as a Nursery for Trees,) adjoining or lying contiguous to any Part of the said Road, and to erect Bridges and Arches over any Drains or Watercourses, in such Manner as such Surveyor or Surveyors shall deem and judge necessary and proper, for amending and keeping in Repair any Part of the said Road; and also to make a Way or Ways through the Lands and Grounds adjoining to any narrow or ruinous Part or Parts of the said Road, not being a Garden, Orchard, Park, Yard, Paddock, planted Walk or Avenue, to any House, or any inclosed Ground planted or set apart as a Nursery for Trees, to be made use of as a public Highway, whilst the narrow or ruinous Parts of the said Road are widening or repairing, and until the same shall be convenient and safe for the Passage of Travellers, and Carriages; and also to make Watercourses, and to carry and divert the Water in, through, and under any Lands adjoining or lying near to the said Road, for the Convenience of the Owners or Occupiers of such Lands, or of any other Lands lying near to the said Road, making such reasonable Satisfaction to the Owners and Occupiers of the Lands respectively through and into which any such Drains or Watercourses shall be cut, or on or over which any such temporary Road shall be made, for the Damages which such Owners or Occupiers respectively shall or may thereby sustain, as shall be adjudged reasonable by the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them; and in case any Difference shall happen to arise between such Owners or Occupiers, and such Trustees, touching such Damage, then and in such Case the Justices of the Peace at the first General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the said County of *Kent* next after the Expiration of Twenty-one Days from the Time of doing such Damage, shall and are hereby authorized and required to hear and determine the same, and their Determination therein shall be final and conclusive.

Surveyors
may make
Drains, &c.

on making
Satisfaction
for Damages
done thereby.

And in case
of Difference
concerning
the same, Jus-
tices in Session
to determine.

LX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Surveyor or Surveyors, and such Person or Persons as he or they shall appoint, by Direction, and under the Hands of any Five or more of the said Trustees, from Time to Time, to remove and prevent all Nuisances, or Annoyances, on any Part or Parts of the said Road, by Rails, Steps, Sign-Posts, Walls, or otherwise, and to turn or stop any Watercourses, Sinks, or Drains, running into, along, and out of any Part of the said Road, to the Prejudice or Injury thereof, and to make the same as large and deep as he or they shall think proper; and to cleanse any Ditch or Watercourse next adjoining to or leading into or out of any Part or Parts of the said Road, and at proper Seasons of the Year to cut down, lop, or top any Trees, or Bushes, growing in any Part of the said Road, or in the Hedges or Banks adjoining thereto, not being Trees or Bushes planted as a Shelter or Ornament to a House or other Building, or not standing on any Garden, Orchard, Yard, Paddock, planted Walk, or Avenue to a House, in case the Person or Persons occasioning such Annoyances, or who ought to remove the same, or to cleanse such

Surveyors
may remove
Annoyances.

Ditch

Ditch or Watercourse, or to cut down, lop, or top such Trees or Bushes, shall refuse or neglect so to do, for the Space of Twenty-one Days next after Notice in Writing given for that Purpose, signed by any Five or more of the said Trustees, or by their Surveyor or Surveyors for the Time being, the reasonable Charges whereof shall be reimbursed to the said Surveyor or Surveyors by the Person or Persons refusing or neglecting as aforesaid; and in case any such Person shall not upon demand pay and reimburse to such Surveyor or Surveyors such Charges as aforesaid, the same shall and may be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Person or Persons, in like manner as is herein authorized or directed for the Recovery of any other Penalty inflicted by this Act; and if after the Removal of any of the said Annoyances any Person shall again offend in like Manner, every such Person shall for every such Offence, over and above such Charges as aforesaid, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, One Moiety whereof to be paid to the Informer, and the other Moiety to be applied to the Purposes of this Act.

Gates not to swing into the Road.

LXI. And be it further enacted, That all Gates hereafter to be made and placed in any Field or Ground adjoining any Part of the said Road shall be made and hung to open and swing inwards towards such Field or Ground, and not towards the said Road; and that it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to order all such Gates as are now erected, or may hereafter be erected, and open and swing outwards towards the said Road, to be altered and made to open and swing inwards, as they the said Trustees shall think proper; and if any Occupier or Occupiers of the Lands upon which any Gate or Gates is or are, or shall be constructed so as to open and swing outwards towards the said Road, shall (after Ten Days' Notice from the Surveyor of the said Road, requiring him, her, or them to alter any such Gate or Gates, and to make the same to open and swing inwards,) refuse or neglect to make such Alterations, or, after such Alterations shall have been once made, shall again alter the same, every such Occupier or Occupiers shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings.

Proprietors of the Water-Works to repair the Damages occasioned to the Roads on Account of the Water-Pipes.

LXII. And whereas the Proprietors of Works for supplying Places on or near the Line of the said Road with Water, may frequently have occasion to break up the Ground in some Part of the said Road, for the Purpose of altering, laying, or repairing Pipes belonging to the said Water-Works; be it therefore enacted, That when and so often as the Proprietors of the said Water-Works shall break up the Ground in any Part of the said Road, for the Purpose of laying, altering, or repairing any of the Pipes belonging to such Works, the Proprietors of such Works shall and they are hereby required, at their own proper Costs and Charges, to lay, alter, or repair such Pipes without Delay, and forthwith, after such Pipes shall have been so laid, altered, or repaired, to amend and repair the Road so broke up in a good and substantial Manner; and in case of Default herein, the Surveyor of the said Trustees shall give Notice to the Proprietors of such Works, or their Agent or Agents, at the Office of the said Water-works' Company, situate in *Mill-Lane*, in the Parish of *Saint Paul, Deptford*, or at any other Office used for carrying on the business of the said Waterworks' Company, of such Default, and in case the said Pipes shall not have been laid, altered, or repaired, and the Road

Road which shall have been so broken up, made good within Twenty-four Hours after such Notice, it shall be lawful for the Surveyor of the said Trustees (whether such Pipes shall have been so laid, altered, or repaired, or not,) to repair, amend, and make good the Road so broken up as aforesaid; and the Charges thereof (to be settled by any Two Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Kent* not interested) shall be reimbursed to such Surveyor by the said Proprietors; and in Default of Payment thereof upon Demand, the same shall and may be recovered and levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the said Proprietors, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Kent*, rendering the Overplus (if any) to the Owner or Owners of such Goods and Chattels, after deducting the reasonable Charges of such Distress and Sale.

LXIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in case any Damage shall be done to any of the Mains or Pipes belonging to the said Works, by the said Trustees, or their Surveyor, Agents, or Servants, in the Performance of any Work authorized by this Act to be done, (save and except any Damage which shall be accidentally done in repairing, or altering any Part of the said Road, which shall have been left unrepaired or neglected by the said Company, after any Injury shall have been done to the said Road by the laying down, relaying, or bursting of any of the Mains, or Pipes, of the said Water-works' Company,) such Damage shall be forthwith repaired, by and at the Expence of the said Trustees; and in Case of Default herein, it shall be lawful for the Proprietors of the said Works to repair, amend, and make good the said Damage, and the Charges thereof, (to be settled by any Two Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Kent*, not interested) shall be reimbursed to the Proprietors of the said Works; and in Default of Payment, shall and may be recovered by Action at Law, wherein the said Trustees may be sued in the Manner hereinafter directed.

Repairing
Damage
done to Pipes.

LXIV. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to alter, abridge, or take away the Right of the Company of Proprietors of the *Kent* Water Works, to enter and break up any Ground under which any of their Mains or Pipes are now laid, for the Purpose of repairing or making good any of such Mains or Pipes, notwithstanding such ground may not by reason of the widening, diverting, or altering of any Part or Parts of the said Road, continue to be a Public Road; or to alter, abridge, or take away the Rights, Powers, Authorities and Provisions granted by an Act passed in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of His Present Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled, "*An Act for supplying with Water the Inhabitants of Deptford, Greenwich, and several other Parishes and Places in the Counties of Kent and Surrey,*" or the Rights, Powers, Authorities, and Provisions granted by another Act of Parliament passed in the Fifty-first Year of the Reign of His said Majesty, intituled, "*An Act to enable the Company of Proprietors of the Kent Water-Works, to raise a further Sum of Money, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of an Act of His Present Majesty, for making the said Water-Works, and to extend the same;*" and that the said Company of Proprietors shall have such and the same Authority with respect to the Road hereby authorized to be widened, diverted and altered, as if the same and every Part thereof had been a

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Public Road or Way at the Time of the passing of the said Acts, or either of them: Provided that all Repairs or Alterations to be made by the said Company of Proprietors to the said Pipes or Mains, shall be done with as little Injury and Obstruction as possible to the said Road; and that after such Repairs or Alterations shall have been commenced, the same shall be proceeded in from Day to Day, with as much Dispatch as possible, until the same are completed; and that the said Water-Works' Company, shall, during the whole of the Time, in which any such Repairs or Alterations shall be making to the said Pipes or Mains, upon the said Turnpike Road, at their own Expence erect and continue a proper Rail or Fence, to prevent any Danger or Injury to Carriages and Passengers travelling along the said Turnpike Road.

Road to be measured, and Mile-Stones and Guide-Posts to be erected.

LXV. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall and may cause the said Road to be measured, and Mile-Stones to be set up at or near the Sides thereof, at the Distance of One Mile from each other, with Inscriptions thereon, denoting the Number of Miles and Distances of Places, as they the said Trustees shall think fit; and also cause to be erected Guide-Posts upon such Parts of the said Road where the same are crossed and joined by other Roads, as they shall judge proper; and if any Person or Persons shall wilfully break, throw down, injure, destroy, obliterate, or deface any Table of Tolls, Mile-Stones, or Posts erected on any Part of the said Road, or any of the Letters, Figures, or Marks inserted or inscribed thereon, or shall wilfully break, throw down, or injure any Stone or Stones, or Parapet Wall or Walls on the Side or Sides of any Bridge or Bridges, Arch or Arches on any Part or Parts of the said Road, every such Person so offending shall forfeit and pay for such Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for each Table of Tolls, Stone, Post, Parapet Wall, or Arch so broken, thrown down, injured or destroyed, or on which any Letters, Figures, or Marks shall be so obliterated or defaced; One Moiety whereof to be paid to the Informer, and the other Moiety to be applied for the Purposes of this Act.

Penalty on riding on Footpaths, &c.

LXVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall wilfully or negligently injure, destroy, break down or otherwise damage, or shall ride on, or drive or lead any Horse, Ass, Beast, Cattle, Carriage, Wheel-barrow or Truck, over or upon any Footpath or Causeway made or to be made on the Side or Sides of the said Road, or any Part thereof, or shall wilfully or negligently damage or destroy any of the Fences, Walls, or Gates on the Sides of the said Road, and belonging thereto; or if any Driver of any Waggon or other Carriage shall wilfully or carelessly break or damage any of the Posts or Stones which may be erected for the Security of the said Footpaths or Causeways; or if any Person or Persons shall scrape off any Mud, Soil, or other Matter or Thing which shall be or lie upon any Part of the said Road, so as wilfully to damage the said Road, or any Part thereof; or if any Person shall hawl or draw, or cause to be hawled or drawn upon any Part of the said Road, any Tree or Piece of Timber, or any Stone, (otherwise than upon Wheeled Carriages,) or shall suffer any Part of any Tree, or Piece of Timber or Stone which shall be carried upon a Wheeled Carriage, to drag upon any Part of the said Road, to the Prejudice or Injury thereof, or if any Person driving any Pigs or Swine upon the said Road shall suffer the same to root up or damage the
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faid Road, or any Part thereof, or the Fences, Hedges, Walls, Backings, or Cople on either Side thereof; or if any Person or Persons shall leave or suffer any Cattle, Sheep, Beast or Pigs to be and remain loose on the faid Road; or if any Person driving any Coach, Chaise, or Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage upon the faid Road, and meeting another Coach, Chaise, Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage, shall not keep his Carriage on the Left or near Side of the faid Road; or if any Person shall in any Manner wilfully prevent any other Person from passing him, her, or them upon the faid Road, or the Coach, Chaise, Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage under his, her, or their Care; or if any Person shall make, or assist in making any Fire or Fires whatsoever, or shall set Fire to, or let off or throw any Squib, Rocket, Serpent, or Firework whatsoever, or play at Football on any Part of the faid Road, or if any Person or Persons shall leave any Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, or any Plough, Harrow, or other Implement of Husbandry, (without some reasonable Cause, to be allowed by the Justice of the Peace before whom the Person so offending shall be summoned or conveyed, in order to his or her Conviction, and save and except with regard to such Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, during such reasonable Time as the same shall be loading or unloading, and standing as near to the Side of the faid Road as conveniently may be,) in, upon, or on the Side of the faid Road, either with or without any Horse or Beast of Draught harnessed or yoked thereto; or if any Person shall shew forth or expose to Sale, or put or place any Goods upon any Part of the faid Road, or on the Sides thereof, for Sale or for any other Purpose, or shall lay any Piece of Timber, or any Stones, Bricks, Hay, Lime, Coal, Manure, Dung, Soil, Rubbish, or other Matter or Thing whatsoever, on any Part of the faid Road, or on the Side or Sides thereof, to the Prejudice or Injury thereof, or to the Annoyance, Hinderance, or Prejudice of any Person or Persons travelling thereon, or shall do any other Damage or Injury to the faid Road, or any Part thereof, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

LXVII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall assault, interrupt, or hinder, or cause to be assaulted, interrupted, or hindered, any Collector of the Tolls employed in the Execution of this Act, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Penalty on obstructing the Execution of this Act.

LXVIII. And be it further enacted, That all the Inhabitants of the several Parishes, Townships, Districts, or Places, through which the faid Road shall pass, shall be liable to the Repair of such Parts of the faid Road as are within their respective Parishes, Townships, Districts, or Places, in such and the same Manner as they are liable to the Repair of any other Highways within the same.

Parishes to be liable to Repair.

LXIX. And be it further enacted, That all Persons who by Law are liable to do Statute-Work on any of the Roads within the Parishes, Townships, or Places through which the faid Road, or any Part thereof, passes, shall be liable to do the same on the faid Road; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for Two or more Justices of the Peace for the faid County of *Kent*, and they are hereby empowered and required upon Application made to them by the faid Trustees, or by their Clerk or Surveyor

Persons chargeable to Statute-Work to continue so. Justices to determine Differences.

veyor by their Order, yearly to adjudge and determine what Part or Proportion of the Statute-Work shall every Year be done upon the said Road by the Inhabitants of the respective Parishes or Places in which the said Road lies, and also what Proportion of the Money received by the Surveyor or Surveyors of the Highways of every such Parish or Place, in lieu of or as a Composition for such Statute-Work as aforesaid, shall be by them paid to the said Trustees, or their Treasurer or Treasurers, and in Order thereunto it shall and may be lawful to and for such Justices from Time to Time to summon the Surveyor or Surveyors of the Highways for every such Parish or Place to bring in Lists before such Justices at some Place to be expressed in such Summons, within Ten Days after the serving of such Summons, of the Names of the several Persons who within such Parish, Township, or Place, are by Law subject and liable to do Statute-Work for that Year, or to the Payment of any Money in lieu of or as a Composition for such Statute-Work, distinguishing the Nature of the Work to be done, whether with Teams or Draughts or otherwise, and also the Amount of the respective Sums to be paid, which Lists of Names shall be made in Manner and under such Regulations and Restrictions as is or may be directed by any Law or Statute in force and Effect, for the Repairs of the Public Highways, and out of such Lists the said Justices shall and may allot, appoint, and order such and so many of the Persons who shall appear to be subject and liable to do Statute-Work as aforesaid, to do such Number of Days Statute-Work in every Year upon the said Road as the said Justices shall think reasonable; and the same shall be done on such Days and at such Times, (not being Hay-Time or Harvest,) and in such Parts of the said Road as the said Trustees or their Surveyor or Surveyors shall from Time to Time order, direct, and appoint, and the said Justices shall and may also order and direct the Persons who by such Lists shall appear to be subject and liable to the Payment of any Money, in lieu of or as a Composition for Statute-Work as aforesaid, to pay such Proportion thereof as the said Justices shall think proper, to the Surveyor or Surveyors of every such Parish, Township, or Place, to be by him paid to the said Trustees or their Treasurer, at such Time or Times as they the said Justices shall direct; and in Default of Payment thereof the same shall and may be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the respective Persons liable to the Payment thereof, in like Manner as any Penalty is in and by this Act authorized or directed to be recovered; and each and every Person who shall neglect or refuse to do such Statute Work as aforesaid, after Notice in Writing given to or left for him, her, or them at his, her, or their last or usual Place or Places of Abode for that Purpose, by any Surveyor to the said Trustees, shall for every Day of his, her, or their Default, or the Default of any Labourer or Labourers, Team or Teams, Draught or Draughts, Horse or Horses, Beast or Beasts to be provided by him or them, be subject and liable to such Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures, as such Person or Persons may be subject or liable to by any Law or Statute in force and effect, for the Repair of the Public Highways; and if any Person who shall come to work as a Labourer, or shall be sent with any Team or Draught to work on the said Road, shall be found negligent or idle by any Surveyor or Surveyors of the said Trustees, such Surveyor or Surveyors is and are hereby empowered to remove and turn off the Person who shall be found
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idle or negligent as aforesaid, and in that Case every such Person sending such Labourer, Team, or Draught, shall be subject and liable to the respective Forfeitures and Payments aforesaid, as if such Team or Draught had not been sent to work on any Part of the said Road, all which Forfeitures shall be paid to the Treasurer to the said Trustees, and applied towards the amending the said Road; and in case the said Surveyor or Surveyors of the Highways for any of the said Parishes, Townships, or Places, shall refuse or neglect to give in such Lists as aforesaid, or shall knowingly or wilfully give in false or imperfect Lists, every such Surveyor or Surveyors shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

LXX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, to compound and agree with any Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, for the Repairs or Statute Work to be by them done on the said Road, or any Part thereof, and also with the Inhabitants and Occupiers of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments of and in all or any of the said Parishes, Townships, or Places duly authorized for that Purpose at a Public Vestry, for a certain Sum of Money by the Year or otherwise, as the said Trustees shall think reasonable, in lieu of the Whole or any Part of the Statute or other Work to be by all or any of the said Inhabitants and Occupiers done on the said Road, which Composition Money shall always be paid by the Surveyor or Surveyors of the Highways, or other Officer of the Parish, or by the Person or Persons so compounding to the Treasurer or Treasurers of the said Trustees, in Advance, on or before the First Day of *May* in each and every Year, or otherwise the Inhabitants and Occupiers of such Parish, Township, or Place, shall not be permitted to compound for that Year.

Trustees may compound for Statute-Work.

LXXI. And whereas Offences may be committed against this Act by Persons unknown to the Collectors, Surveyors, or other Officers appointed to put this Act into Execution; be it therefore enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for any of the said Trustees, or their Clerk or Clerks, or the Collectors, Surveyors, or other Officers respectively, and such Person or Persons as he or they shall call to his or their Assistance, without any Warrant or other authority than this Act, to seize and detain any such unknown Person or Persons, who shall commit any such Offence or Offences, and take him, her, or them, before any Justice of the Peace for the County or Place where the Offence or Offences shall be committed, and such Justice is hereby empowered, directed, and required to proceed to the hearing and determining of the Complaint.

For securing transient Offenders.

LXXII. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures by virtue of this Act imposed, (the Manner of levying and recovering whereof is not hereby otherwise particularly directed,) shall be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Offender, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of any Justice of the Peace for the County in which he Offence shall be committed, (which Warrant such Justice is hereby empowered to grant, upon the Confession of the Party, or upon the Evidence of any credible Witness upon Oath, and which Oath such Justice is hereby empowered to administer); and the Overplus, if any, of the Money arising by such Distress and Sale shall be returned upon Demand

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to the Owner of such Goods and Chattels, after deducting the Costs and Charges of making, keeping, and selling the Distress; and such Penalties and Forfeitures, when recovered, (if not hereinbefore directed to be otherwise applied,) shall be paid to the Treasurer to the said Trustees, to be applied towards the Purposes of this Act; and in case sufficient Distress shall not be found, or such Penalties and Forfeitures shall not be paid forthwith, it shall and may be lawful to and for such Justice, and he is hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to cause the Offender to be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction of such County or Place where the Offence shall have been committed, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize, for any Time not exceeding Six Calendar Months, unless such Penalties and Forfeitures shall be sooner fully paid and satisfied.

Directing the
Form of Con-
viction.

LXXIII. And be it further enacted, That for the more speedy Conviction of Offenders against this Act, all and every the Justices and Justice of the Peace before whom any Person or Persons shall be convicted of any Offence against this Act, shall and may cause the Conviction to be drawn up in the Form or to the Effect following:

‘ Kent, } BE it remembered, that on the Day of
‘ to wit. } in the Year of our Lord
‘ A. B. is convicted before me, [or, us,] of His Majesty’s
‘ Justices of the Peace for the County of Kent, by virtue of an Act of
‘ Parliament made and passed in the Fifty-eighth Year of the Reign of His
‘ Majesty King George the Third, intituled, *An Act [here set forth the*
‘ *Title of this Act, and specify the Offence, and the Time and Place when*
‘ *and where the same was committed.]* Given under my hand and Seal,
‘ [or, our Hands and Seals,] the Day and Year first above-written.’

Limitation of
Actions.

LXXIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Action or Suit shall be commenced or brought against any Person or Persons for any Thing done in pursuance of this Act after Twelve Calendar Months next after the Fact committed, and every such Action and Suit shall be brought and tried in the County or Place where the Cause of Action shall arise, and not elsewhere; and the Defendant or Defendants in every such Action or Suit shall and may plead at his and their Election specially, or the General Issue, and give this Act and the Special Matter in Evidence at any Trial to be had thereupon, and that the same was done in pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if the same shall appear to have been so done, or if any Action or Suit shall be brought before Twenty-one Days’ Notice thereof shall have been given, or after a sufficient Satisfaction made or tendered as hereinafter mentioned, or after the Time limited for bringing the same, or shall be brought in any other County than as aforesaid, then, and in every such Case, the Jury shall find a Verdict for the Defendant or Defendants, and upon such Verdict, or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall be Non-suited, or discontinue his, her, or their Action or Suit after the Defendant or Defendants shall have appeared; or if upon Demurrer Judgment shall be given against the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, then, and in every such Case, the Defendant or Defendants shall recover Treble Costs, and shall have such Remedy for recovering the same as any Defendant hath for Costs of Suit in any other Cases by Law

LXXV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Thing done in pursuance of this Act, such Person or Persons may appeal to the Justices of the Peace at the First General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the County or Place in which such Cause of Appeal shall arise, next after the Expiration of Four Calendar Months from the Time such Matter of Appeal shall have arisen, the Person or Persons appealing having first given Fourteen Days' Notice at least of his, her, or their Intention to bring such Appeal, and of the Matter thereof, to the Treasurer or Treasurers, or Clerk of the said Trustees, and within Seven Days after such Notice, entering into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace for the County where the Cause of Appeal shall arise, with Two sufficient Sureties conditioned to try such Appeal and abide the Order thereof, and to pay such Costs as shall be awarded by the Justices at such Quarter Sessions; and the said Justices in such Sessions, upon due Proof of such Notice and Recognizance having been given and entered into, are hereby authorized and required to hear and determine the Matter of such Appeal in a summary Way, and to make such Determination therein, and to award such Costs to either of the Parties, or otherwise as they shall judge proper; and the said Justices may, if they see Cause, mitigate any Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture, and may also order such further Satisfaction to be made to the Party injured, as they shall judge reasonable; and all such Determinations of the said Justices shall be final, binding, and conclusive upon all Parties, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

Appeal.

LXXVI. And be it further enacted, That where any Distress shall be made for any Sum of Money to be levied by virtue of this Act, the Distress itself shall not be deemed unlawful, nor the Party or Parties making the same be deemed a Trespasser or Trespassers, on account of any Defect or want of Form in the Notice, Information, Summons, Conviction, Warrant of Distress, or other Proceedings relating thereto; nor shall the Party or Parties distraining be deemed a Trespasser or Trespassers, *ab initio*, on account of any Irregularity which shall be afterwards done by the Party or Parties so distraining, but the Person or Persons aggrieved by such Irregularity shall and may recover full Satisfaction for the Special Damage in an Action upon the Case.

Distress not to be unlawful for want of Form.

LXXVII. And be it further enacted, That no Order, Verdict, Assessment, Judgment, or other Proceeding made touching or concerning any of the Matters aforesaid, or touching or concerning the Conviction of any Offender or Offenders against this Act, shall be quashed or vacated for want of Form only, or be removed or removable by *Certiorari*, or by any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, any Law or Statute to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Proceedings not to be quashed for want of Form.

LXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That no Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall recover in any Action to be commenced against any Person or Persons for any Thing done in pursuance of this Act, unless Notice in Writing shall have been given to the Defendant or Defendants Twenty-one Days before such Action shall be commenced, of such intended Action, signed by the Attorney for the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, specifying the Cause of such Action,

Notice of Action to be given, and the Plaintiff not to recover, after Tender of Amends.

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Action, nor shall the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs recover in any such Action, if Tender of sufficient amends hath been made to him, her, or them, or to his, her, or their Attorney, by or on Behalf of the Defendant or Defendants before such Action brought; and in case no such Tender shall have been made, it shall and may be lawful for the Defendant or Defendants in any such Action, by leave of the Court wherein such Action shall have been brought, at any Time before Issue joined, to pay into Court such Sum of Money as he, she, or they shall think fit, whereupon such Proceedings, Order, and Judgment shall be made and given in and by such Court as in other Actions where the Defendant is allowed to pay Money into Court.

Public Act.

LXXIX. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others, without being specially pleaded.

Commence-
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LXXX. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take place on the passing thereof, and from thence shall be in Force and have Continuance for and during the Term of Twenty-one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

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