

## CHAPTER 37.

An Act to make provision with respect to the disposition and management of His Majesty's Osborne Estate in the Isle of Wight. [18th December 1902.]

WHEREAS the Osborne estate in the Isle of Wight is, under the will of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, vested in His Majesty the King for his life, with remainder to the Prince of Wales for his life, with remainder to his first and other sons according to seniority in tail general, with divers remainders over, and with an ultimate remainder to His Majesty the King, His heirs and assigns for ever:

And whereas His Majesty has, with the concurrence of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, signified His gracious pleasure that, on the occasion of His Coronation, the Osborne estate should be handed over so as to become part of the public property of the Sovereign, and that provision should be made for the use of Osborne House and grounds, as a memorial to Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, in manner provided by this Act:

And whereas duplicate plans describing the Osborne estate (herein-after referred to as "the deposited plans") have been deposited with the Clerk of the Parliaments and with the Clerk of the House of Commons:

Be it therefore 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, as follows:

Osborne  
estate to be  
part of the  
hereditary  
revenues of  
the Crown.

1.—(1) The estate described on the deposited plans, and in this Act referred to as the Osborne estate, shall, by virtue of this Act, become vested in His Majesty in right of the Crown, and shall cease to be part of the private estates of the Sovereign.

(2) Section one of the Civil List Act, 1901 (which relates to the payment of the hereditary revenues to the Exchequer), shall apply to the Osborne estate.

(3) The Crown Lands Acts, 1829 to 1894, shall apply to the Osborne estate, but the part of the estate, coloured blue on the

deposited plans (being Osborne House and grounds adjacent thereto) and the part of the estate coloured yellow on the deposited plan (being Barton House and grounds) shall be under the management of the Commissioners of Works as if it had been committed to their management under section twenty-two of the Crown Lands Act, 1851; and arrangements may at any time be made, with the consent of the Treasury, for placing any part of the Osborne estate under such management, or for withdrawing any part from such management as appears convenient at the time.

(4) As a memorial to Her late Majesty, the Commissioners of Works —

- (a) shall, during His Majesty's pleasure, preserve, so far as may be, in its present condition, and keep open to the public, in such manner and on such terms as the Commissioners, with the approval of His Majesty, determine, such part of Osborne House as appears to have been in the personal occupation of Her late Majesty; and
- (b) shall devote the rest of Osborne House and the grounds under their management to be used for the benefit of officers of His Majesty's naval and military forces or their wives, widows or family.

And the Commissioners of Works shall allow the said part of the estate coloured yellow (being Barton House and grounds) to be used as a residence for such persons as they may determine with the approval of His Majesty.

(5) The provisions of this section shall operate to discharge the Osborne estate from all the limitations, powers and provisions to which it is subject.

2. Nothing in this Act shall affect any of the land coloured Saving.  
red on the deposited plans (being land reserved for the private use of members of the Royal Family), or any grant or lease existing at the commencement of this Act and affecting any part of the Osborne estate.

3. This Act may be cited as the Osborne Estate Act, 1902.

Short title.

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