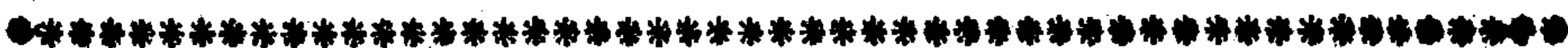




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Cap. 59.

An Act to alter and amend several Acts passed in the Fortieth, Forty-fourth, and Forty-fifth Years of His present Majesty, for making Wet Docks, Basons, Cuts, and other Works, for the greater Accommodation and Security of Shipping, Commerce, and Revenue within the Port of *London*, and for other the Purposes in the said Acts mentioned, and for enlarging the Powers thereby granted to the *London Dock Company*. [9th June 1806.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fortieth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for making Wet Docks, Basons, Cuts, and other Works, for the greater Accommodation and Security of Shipping, Commerce, and Revenue, within the Port of London*: And whereas an Act was passed in the Forty-fourth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for raising a further Sum of Money for carrying into Execution an Act, passed in the Fortieth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for making Wet Docks, Basons, Cuts, and other Works, for the greater Accommodation and Security of Shipping, Commerce, and Revenue, within the Port of London*: And whereas another Act was passed in the Forty-fourth Year of His said present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for warehousing Goods within the Limits of certain Docks, made under an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Year of His present Majesty*,
[Loc. & Per.] 13. R.

40 G. 3. c. 47.

44 G. 3. c. 2.

44 G. 3. c. 100.

*Majesty, intituled 'An Act for making Wet Docks, Basons, Cuts, and other Works, for the greater Accommodation and Security of Shipping, Commerce, and Revenue, within the Port of London,' and to make Regulations relating to the said Docks: And whereas an Act was passed in the Forty-fifth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act to alter and amend an Act passed in the Fortieth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for making Wet Docks, Basons, Cuts, and other Works, for the greater Accommodation and Security of Shipping, Commerce, and Revenue, within the Port of London, and for extending the Powers and Provisions of the said Act: And whereas the said Company have made great Progress in forming the Docks and in executing the other Works by the said Acts, or One of them, authorized and directed to be made; but the Whole of the said intended Works cannot be completed unless the said Company shall be authorized to purchase certain Houses, Lands, and Hereditaments contiguous to the present prescribed Limits of the said Docks, and which are wanted for the Purpose of carrying the said Acts fully into Execution: And whereas the Powers and Provisions of the said Acts, or some of them, have been found in some respects defective and insufficient; and it is therefore necessary that the same should be altered, amended, and enlarged, and some further Powers granted, to such Extent, and in such Manner as is herein-after expressed: 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 so much of the said first recited Act as requires that the Nomination and Appointment of the Directors and Managers of the Concerns of the said Company should be made annually, on the First *Wednesday* in the Month of *July* in every Year, shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and from and after the passing of this Act the annual Nomination and Appointment of the Directors and Managers of the Concerns of the said Company may and shall be made on any Day within the first Twenty Days in the Month of *July* in every Year; and Seven Days Notice of the same shall be given by Publication in the *London Gazette* and Two Daily Newspapers, usually circulated in *London* for the Time being, and by fixing up such Notice at the *Royal Exchange*, and in the *Guildhall* of the City of *London*.*

So much of the said first recited Act as requires the Nomination of the Directors to be on the first *Wednesday* in *July* yearly repealed, and appointing other Times for such Nomination, &c.

For purchasing certain Houses and Premises, &c.

II. And be it further enacted, That at any Time or Times within the Term of Two Years, to be computed from the Expiration of the Term of Five Years, given and limited by the said first recited Act for completing the Purchases thereby authorized to be made, it shall be lawful for the Directors and Managers of the Concerns of the said Company, or any Thirteen or more of them, by themselves or their Agents, to contract and agree for the Purchase, and to take Conveyances of the several Plots of Ground herein-after described, together with the Erections and Buildings thereon, and the Appurtenances thereto belonging respectively; (that is to say) a Plot of Ground on the West Side of *Griffin Street*, and abutting East on the said Street North, on *Leading Place* West, on *Fox's Lane* South, and again West on Premises in the Occupation of Messrs. *Dowding*, and again South on Premises in the Occupation of Messrs. *Fletcher* and Son; and also a Plot of Ground on the South Side of *Wapping Wall*, and abutting North thereon, and South on the River *Thames*, and East on Part of Premises comprized within the present Limits of the *London Docks*, in the Occupation of Messieurs *Taylor* and *Oliver*, and West on Premises in the Occupation of *George*

George Farbridge; also a Plot of Ground on the North Side of *Wapping Wall*, and abutting South and East thereof from the West Boundary of Premises in the Occupation of Messrs. *Dowding*, and North and East on Ground the Property of the *London Dock Company*, and again North on the Lower Turning, and West on *Sconce's Alley*, and on a proposed Line to be drawn from the said Alley to the said Lower Turning, and again South on Premises on the North Side of *Wapping Wall*, to the afore-mentioned West Boundary of Messieurs *Dowding's* Premises; and also Two Plots of Ground on the West Side of *Old Gravel Lane*, and abutting East thereon, and abutting North on *Worcester Street*, West on *Broad Street*, and South on *Johnson Street*; and also a Plot of Ground on the South Side of *Wapping Street*, and abutting North thereon, South on the River *Thames*, West on Premises in the Occupation of *Charles Laing*, and East on Ground the Property of the *London Dock Company*; and likewise a Plot of Ground on the East Side of *Nightingale Lane*, and abutting South-west thereon, and South-east on the *Mulberry Gardens*, and North-east and North-west on Premises the Property of the *London Dock Company*: All which said Plots of Ground are respectively situate in the several Parishes, Hamlets, Divisions, Districts, Precincts, Liberties, or Places following; (that is to say) the Parish of *Saint Paul's Shadwell* otherwise called *Saint Paul Shadwell* alias *Chadswell*, *Saint George Middlesex*, commonly called *Saint George in the East*, and *Saint John of Wapping*, all within the Tower Hamlets, in the County of *Middlesex*; and also all that Piece or Parcel of Ground, together with Eleven Houses and other Buildings now thereon, situate, on the West Side of *Russel's Buildings*, in the Parish of *Saint George in the East*, abutting North on *Great Hermitage Street*, and abutting West on the House No. 61, in the said Street, in the Occupation of *Britain*, and on the Back of Houses the East Side of *Smith's Buildings*, and on Premises No. 70, *Wapping Street*, in the Occupation of *James Green*, and abutting South on the said *Wapping Street*, all which Premises last mentioned are also within the Tower Hamlets, in the said County of *Middlesex*.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for all Persons and Parties having, or who shall or may have any Estate, Title, Property, Trust, Interest, Claim, or Demand whatsoever, in, to, or out of, or who shall be in the Possession or Occupation of the said herein-before described Premises, or any Part or Parts thereof respectively, to make such Conveyances respectively as aforesaid, and to convey to and vest in the said Directors and Managers, or any Thirteen or more of them, for the Purposes of the said recited Acts and of this Act; all and singular such Estate, Title, Property, Trust, Interest, Claim, or Demand as aforesaid, at and for such Price or Prices as shall be in that Behalf agreed upon, or at such other Price or Prices as shall be in that Behalf ascertained by the Verdict or Verdicts of any Jury or Juries in conformity to the Provisions and Directions contained in the said first recited Act, in relation to the Purchases thereby authorized to be made, and in like Manner, in all respects, as if the Purchases hereby authorized to be made had been authorized to be made in and by the said first recited Act.

Power of conveying the Premises to the Company.

IV. And whereas by the said first recited Act it is (among other Things) enacted, that if the said Dock Company should at any Time make an Entrance from the River across *Wapping Street* at or near *Bell Dock* into a Basin or Basins within the same, they should be compellable to make,

Bridge Clause in Act 39 and 40 G. 3. recited.

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set up, and maintain in perpetual Repair, a Bridge, Draw Bridge, or Swing Bridge, in the Line of *Wapping Street*, and also on the Wharf or Space between the said intended Basin or Basins and Dock or Docks, at or nearly adjoining on the Line of Direction from *King Street Sampson's Gardens*, towards *Tench Street* and *Old Gravel Lane*, so as to preserve the Certainty of constantly passing at all Times to and through *Wapping* by one of the Bridges being shut at the Time that the other may be open: And whereas, in pursuance of the said Act, a Bridge hath been erected in the Line of *Wapping Street*; but it is found that the building of a Bridge at or near the Line of Direction from *King Street Sampson's Gardens* towards *Tench Street* and *Old Gravel Lane*, would be attended with Inconvenience and Detriment to the Public, and would also materially lessen the Security of the Revenue, without answering the Purposes for which the said last-mentioned Bridge was originally designed and intended to be constructed; be it therefore enacted, That so much of the said first recited Act as requires the Erection of such Bridge at or nearly adjoining the Line of Direction from *King Street Sampson's Gardens* towards *Tench Street* and *Old Gravel Lane*, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

A Foot Bridge to be erected at the inner Part of the Entrance Lock.

V. And, in order to make other Provision for the Accommodation of the Public, in passing to and through *Wapping*; be it further enacted, That the said Company shall and they are hereby required, within Nine Calendar Months after the passing of this Act, to erect and set up a Foot Bridge at the inner Part of the Entrance Lock; and which shall be for ever thereafter kept up and maintained by the said Company, together with the said Bridge already erected as aforesaid, for the Use and Convenience of all Persons passing and re-passing to and through *Wapping*.

For altering the Hours of opening and shutting the Dock Gates.

VI. And whereas by the said recited Act of the Forty-fourth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, Provision was made for the opening and shutting of the Gates of the said Docks at certain Hours daily throughout the Year: And whereas it is expedient that the Hours so appointed for the opening and shutting of the said Dock Gates should be altered and other Times appointed in that Behalf; be it therefore enacted, That so much of the said last-mentioned Act as regulates and appoints, or in any Manner relates to or depends upon the Hours of opening and shutting of the said Dock Gates, shall, from and after the First Day of *July* next after the passing of this Act, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Directing at what Time the said Dock Gates shall be opened and shut in future.

VII. And be it further enacted, That on and from the said First Day of *July* in this present Year, to the Tenth Day of *November* also in this present Year, both Days inclusive; and from the said Tenth Day of *November* to the Ninth Day of *May* then next, both inclusive, and in like Manner from the Tenth Day of *November* to the Ninth Day of *May*, both inclusive, in all succeeding Years, at the Hour of Nine in every Morning, and from that Hour to the Hour of Four in every Afternoon; and from the Tenth Day of *May* to the Ninth Day of *November*, both inclusive, in every Year after this present Year, at the Hour of Eight in the Morning, and from that Hour to the Hour of Four in the Afternoon (excepting only *Sundays*, *Christmas Days*, and *Good Fridays*, and also any Days which shall be appointed by His Majesty's Proclamation for the Purpose of a General Fast or Thanksgiving), the Gates of the said Docks, and the Gates of such of the said Quays or Wharfs as have been, or shall be provided for

for the landing or lading of any Goods or Merchandize, according to the Directions of any Act or Acts of Parliament heretofore passed, or hereafter to be passed, shall be opened, and shall continue open for the Purposes of Business, and at and during all other Hours and Times the said Gates respectively shall be shut and locked; and during the several Periods of such Gates being shut and locked as aforesaid, no Person shall be allowed to come into or go out of the said Docks, except through the Wicket described in the said last-mentioned Act, and subject to the Regulations in that Behalf thereby or by Authority thereof established, or to be established from Time to Time: Provided also, that it shall not be lawful for the said Company to permit any Ships to come into or go out of the said Docks at any other Time than during the Hours and Times hereby appointed for the Gates of the said Docks being kept open for the Purposes of Business as aforesaid, nor to permit any Ship or Vessel to pass or be removed from the Basons of the said Docks into the River before Daylight in the Morning, or after it shall be dark in the Afternoon; any thing in the said last-recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company, and they are hereby empowered to erect, make, put up, and keep at the Boundary Wall, near the Entrance Lock at *Bell Dock*, a Wicket Gate of the like Breadth and Height, and to be opened and shut, and kept subject to the same Regulations and Restrictions, as are specified and contained in the said recited Act of the Forty-fourth Year aforesaid, for the Wicket Gate therein allowed.

To erect a Wicket Gate at the Boundary Wall near the Entrance Lock at Bell Dock.

IX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no such Gate shall be erected or made without the previous Approbation of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, signified by their Warrant, which Warrant shall be published at least Three Times in the *London Gazette*.

Such Gate not to be made without the Consent of the Lords of the Treasury.

X. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said *London Dock Company*, and they are hereby empowered to prefer any Indictment or Indictments against any Person or Persons feloniously taking, stealing, or embezzling any Goods, Chattels, or Property of or belonging to the said Company, or any Goods, Chattels, or Property in their Custody or Possession, or in the Custody or Possession of any Officer or Servant of the said Company, or Officer of Customs or Excise, for and on behalf of the said Company, or of any other Person having deposited such Goods, Chattels, or Property, in the Care or Custody of the said Company, or their Officers or Servants, or in or on any of the Docks, Wharfs, Warehouses, or Premises belonging to the said Company; and in all such Indictments such Goods, Chattels, and Property may be laid and stated to be the Goods, Chattels, and Property of the said *London Dock Company*, and that the same were feloniously stolen or embezzled from the said *London Dock Company*; and it shall be sufficient on any such Indictment to prove that such Goods, Chattels, and Property were at the Time of the feloniously taking or stealing or embezzling thereof, in or on any of the Docks, Wharfs, Warehouses, or Premises belonging to the said Company, or in the Custody or Possession of any Officer or Servant of the said Company, or Officer of Customs

The *London Dock Company* to prosecute as a Company Felons stealing their Goods, or Goods in their Custody

or Excise, for or on behalf of the said Company, or of any Person or Persons, or Body Corporate or Politic, having deposited the same with the said Company, without any other Proof of Property.

So much of the Act of 44 G. 3. as requires Goods not duly entered at the Customs and Excise to be sold within 30 Days, repealed.

XI. And whereas by the said Act, passed in the Forty-fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, it is enacted, That if any Goods or Merchandize, which should be brought into the said Dock, on board of any Ship or Vessel, should not be duly entered with the Customs and Excise respectively within a Time therein limited, then and in every such Case it should be lawful in Manner therein mentioned, to cause such Goods or Merchandize to be forthwith landed and warehoused in the Manner therein expressed; and in case the Duties on such Goods and Merchandize should not be paid and discharged within a certain Period of Thirty Days therein limited, it should be lawful for the Commissioners of Customs, or the proper Officers of Excise, and they were thereby respectively authorized and empowered, to sell and dispose of such Goods or Merchandize, or any Part thereof, for the Purposes and subject to the Regulations therein expressed: And whereas it is expedient that the said recited Provision of the said last-mentioned Act should be repealed, in so far as relates to the said Period of Thirty Days, and that another Period should be appointed in that Behalf; be it therefore enacted, That so much of the said recited Act as requires the Payment of the Duties on any Goods and Merchandize hereafter brought into the said Docks to be made within the said Period of Thirty Days, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

Altering the Time for selling of such Goods.

XII. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passing of this Act, the Period of Three Calendar Months shall be allowed for Payment of the said Duties, such Period of Three Months to be computed from the Time prescribed by the said Act for the Commencement of the said other Period of Thirty Days; and in case the Duties on such Goods and Merchandize shall not be paid and discharged within the said Period of Three Months, to be computed as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of Customs, or the proper Officer of Excise, and they are hereby respectively authorized and empowered to sell and dispose of such Goods and Merchandize, or any Part thereof, to answer and satisfy the Duties thereon, rendering the Overplus, if any, of Monies arising by the said Sale, after Payment of any Rates, Charges, or Expences which may be due to the said Company, to the Proprietor or Proprietors, Consignee or Consignees of such Goods or Merchandize: Provided always, that if a Price cannot be obtained for such Goods or Merchandize equal to the full Amount of the Duties of Customs and Excise thereon respectively, and the Charges of the Sale thereof, then and in such Cases all such Goods and Merchandize shall be effectually or otherwise sold and disposed of in such Manner and for such Purposes, and under such Rules, Regulations, and Restrictions, as the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury shall from Time to Time direct.

Extending the Powers of the said Acts to this Act.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That all the Powers, Authorities, Provisions, Regulations, and Privileges, Penalties, Forfeitures, Clauses, Matters, and Things contained in the said several recited Acts (except so far as the same were respectively repealed, varied, or altered before the passing of this Act, and also except so far as the same respectively are hereby

hereby repealed, varied, or altered) shall extend and be construed to extend to this Act, and to the said Directors and others carrying this Act into Execution, and also to all Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, and Corporations Aggregate or Sole, possessed of or interested in all or any of the Hereditaments hereby authorized to be purchased, and also to the Conveyance of such Hereditaments to and vesting the same in the said Company, and to all other the Matters and Things herein-before comprised, or having relation thereto, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as if the same were severally and particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act, and made Parts thereof, and that the said several recited Acts (except as aforesaid) and this Act shall, as to all Matters and Things whatsoever, be construed as one Act.

XIV. 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. Public Act.

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