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Cap. 184.

An Act for rendering more effectual Two Acts passed for the better regulating the Poor in the Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey; for enclosing the Church-yard thereof; and for other Purposes therein mentioned relating thereto.

[19th June 1809.]

THEREAS by an Act passed in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for ascertaining and collecting the Poors Rates, and for 31 G.2. c. 45. better regulating the Poor in the Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey; and by another Act of Parliament passed in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King George the Third, intituled, An Act for amending and enlarging the Powers of, and 31 G. 3. c. 19. rendering more effectual, an Act made in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, " An Act for ascertaining and collecting the Poors Rates, and for better regulating the Poor in the * Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey;" and for other the Purposes therein mentioned; all the Powers and Authorities given by the said first recited Act to the Churchwardens, Overseers' of the Poor, and Vestrymen of the said Parish, so far as respected the said Loc. & Per. first

first recited Act, were transferred unto certain Persons in the said last recited Act named, together with the Justices of the Peace for the said County of Surrey, resident in the said Parish, who, together with the Rector, Churchwardens, Sidesmen, and Overseers of the Poor of the faid Parish for the Time being, were appointed Governors and Directors of the Poor of the said Parish, with Powers to them, and other the Governors and Directors to be appointed as therein mentioned, to make Rates for the Relief of the Poor in the said Parish, and for the better Management and Employment of fuch Poor; and the said Governors and Directors were and are by the said last recited Act empowered to contract and agree for the Purchase of, or to take Leases, or Assignments of Leases, to them and their Successors, of any Ground or Buildings adjoining or contiguous to the Church-yard of the said Parish, for the Purposes of permitting and suffering the same to be used as an additional Cemetery or Burial Place for the Interment of the Dead therein: And whereas a Cart-way, Horse-way, and Foot-way in, over, and through the said Church-yard, from the High Street, called Bermondsey Street, to certain Dwelling Houses and Tenements at the East End of the said Church-yard, and several other Foot-paths, have been used over the Graves in the said Church-yard: And whereas the Boundary Wall on the South Side of the said Church-yard is in many Places broken down and decayed, and the Person or Persons liable, in respect of their Lands adjoining, to rebuild, repair, or support the same, have neglected so to do, whereby the faid Church-yard is indecently exposed to Inroads and Depredations, and the Graves therein are routed up, trampled upon, and destroyed by Dogs, Swine, and Cattle, in disregard of publick Decency, which might be prevented if the Governors and Directors of the Poor of the said Parish were empowered to divert and alter the said Ways and Paths, and to enclose the said Church-yard with proper Walls and Fences: And whereas it hath been found, that the falutary Purposes by the said recited Acts of Parliament intended, cannot be effectually answered, and the Nuisances above-mentioned prevented; unless the said Acts are amended, and the Powers thereof enlarged: 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 Confent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act, so much and such Part of the said first herein recited Act as author zes and directs the Churchwardens, Overseers, and Vestrymen of the said Parish, to meet annually on the Thursday in Whitsun Week, to ascertain the Money to be assessed for the Relief of the Poor, and within Eight Days afterwards to make a Rate for fuch Relief, shall be, and the same is hereby repealed; and that, instead thereof, the Governors and Directors of the Poor of the said Parish shall, and they are hereby required, from and after the passing of this Act, annually, on the Second Thursday next after the Twenty-fifth Day of March, in the Forenoon of the same Day, and at all other Times in the Year which to them shall seem expedient, to assemble and meet together at the Workhouse of the said Parish; and shall at such Meeting and Meetings ascertain fuch Sum or Sums of Money, and make fuch Rate or Rates as to them shall seem expedient and necessary for the Relief of the Poor of the said Parish, and for other the Purposes in the said former Acts mentioned, and in the Manner thereby directed.

II. And whereas by the said recited Act of the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, it is, amongst other Things, enacted, That the Vestry Clerk of the said Parish for the Time being shall always be Clerk to the said Governors and Directors: And whereas the said Office is become a Place of great Trust, so that it is necessary and expedient that Governors. the Person or Persons filling the same should be appointed by the said Governors and Directors, and under their Controul; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That so much of the said last recited Act as directs and declares that the Vestry Clerk of the said Parish for the Time being shall be Clerk to the said Governors and Directors, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

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III. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, it Governors to shall and may be lawful to and for the said Governors and Directors from appoint their own Clerk. Time to Time to appoint One Person to be their Clerk, for the better carrying into Execution this present and the herein before recited Acts, or so much thereof as remain unrepealed; and likewise to take such Security from such Clerk, and to direct such Allowance to be made to him, as they the said Governors and Directors may think necessary; and also from Time to Time to displace him, in like Manner as the said Governors and Directors are, by the said former Acts, or One of them, authorized and empowered to appoint and remove other Officers by them chosen; and that from and after the said Governors and Directors shall have appointed any fuch Clerk, all Notices, Acts, and Things by the faid former Acts, or either of them, directed to be given, done, or performed by the Veltry Clerk, shall, so far as respects this and the said Two herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, be given, done, and performed by fuch Clerk to the said Governors and Directors.

IV. And whereas divers Houses, Tenements, Gardens, and Heredita-persons letting ments within the said Parish are let to occasional Occupiers, and others Houses in seare let out in Parcels to Under Tenants and to Lodgers, in separate Apartments, both furnished and unfurnished; and other Houses, Tenements, deemed the Gardens, and Hereditaments are let out at small yearly Rents, whereby the Rates made in pursuance of the said Two former Acts are in many Instances evaded and unproductive: And whereas it would tend to the Equalization and Reduction of the Parochial Rates within the said Parish. and to the great Alleviation of many industrious Families, if additional Powers were given to the said Governors and Directors for the assessing, compounding, and collecting of the said Rates; be it therefore enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of all and every House, Tenement, Shop, Warehouse, Garden, or other Hereditament within the faid Parish, which is or shall be let in Parcels or separate Apartments, or in furnished or unfurnished Lodgings, shall be deemed and taken to be the Occupier or Occupiers thereof; and shall be rated to and pay the several Rates and Assessments för the Relief and Maintenance of the Poor, and all other Parochial Rațes of the said Parish made or imposed, or hereafter to be made or imposed thereon.

parate Apartments to be Occupiers.

V. And be it further enacted, That where the yearly Rent or Value of For Recovery any House, Tenement, Garden, or Hereditament within the said Parish Houses let at a shall not exceed Fifteen Pounds, or where any House, Tenement or He-Rents under ... reditament

reditament shall be let to any Weekly or Monthly Tenant, or in separate Apartments, furnished or unfurnished, then and in every such Case it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Governors and Directors, at any Meeting to be by them held, as by the faid former Acts, or either of them, or by this present Act is directed (if they think proper) from Time to Time to compound and agree with the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of all and every or any fuch House or Houses, Tenement or Tenements, Hereditament or Hereditaments, for the Payment of the Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments for the Relief and Maintenance of the Poor, and for all other the Parochial Rates of the said Parish made and imposed thereon, or hereafter so to be, at such a reduced yearly Rental as the said Governors and Directors so assembled shall think reasonable, fo that no fuch House or Houses, Tenement or Tenements, Hereditament or Hereditaments be rated at less than One Half or more than Threefourths of the Rack Rent at which the same shall then be let, or the Annual Value of the same respectively.

Landlords to compound.

VI. And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Landlord or Landlords, Lessee or Lessees, Owner or Owners of each and every such House or Houses, Tenement or Tenements, Hereditament or Hereditaments, as shall not exceed the Yearly Rent or Value of Fifteen Pounds, or as shall be let to any Weekly or Monthly Tenant or Tenants, or in separate Apartments, furnished or unfurnished, are hereby required to enter into such Composition with the said Governors and Directors so assembled as aforesaid; and in case any such Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners, shall neglect or refuse to enter into any such Composition, he, she, or they shall thenceforth be deemed and taken to be the Occupier or Occupiers of such Premises, and shall thereupon be rated to. and shall from Time to Time pay or cause to be paid, the Rates and Assessments charged upon their respective Premises for the Relief of the Poor; and all other the Parochial Rates of the said Parish, according to a fair and equal Assessment to be made by the Governors and Directors so assembled; and on Non-payment thereof, the said Governors and Directors are hereby authorized to cause the same to be levied by Distress of the Goods and Chattels of the respective Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of the respective Premises aforesaid, wheresoever such Goods and Chattels may be found, or by Distress of the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons for the Time being inhabiting or occupying the same respectively.

Persons to whom the Rents are payable to be ceemed the Owners.

VII. Provided always, and to prevent Disputes touching the Designation of the Landlord or Owner intended to be made liable by this Act, be it enacted, That the Person or Persons receiving, claiming, or being entitled to the Rents of every such House or Houses, Tenement or Tenements, immediately payable by the Tenants or Occupiers thereof respectively, shall be deemed and taken to be the Landlord or Owner of the same for the Purposes of this Act, and to be the Person and Persons required to enter into such Composition as aforesaid.

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Governors.

VIII. And be it enacted, That from and after any Composition shall be made with the said Governors and Directors, as herein-before mentioned, the House or Houses, Tenement or Tenements, and Hereditaments therein comprised.

comprised, shall be rated and affessed according to the same reduced Rentalin every future Rate or Assessment to be made by the said Governors and Directors, until the said Governors and Directors shall think proper otherwife to rate and affefs the faid Premises.

IX. Provided always, That no fuch Landlord, Lessor, or Owner shall be charged with or be liable to pay for any increased Rent reserved or made payable to him or her, for or on account of such Landlord, Lessor, Rentsreceived or Owner, having agreed to pay or been charged with the Rates charged of Payment of or chargeable upon the several Occupiers of such Tenements or Here-Taxes. ditaments.

Landlords not to be charged

X. And, for the more easy Recovery of the said Rates and Assessments, For Recovery be it further enacted, That each and every Tenant or Occupier for the compounded. Time being of any House, Tenement, Garden, or Hereditament, or of any Part thereof, the Rates of which shall have been compounded for in the Manner herein-before mentioned, shall be liable and compellable to pay the said Rates and Assessments, and may deduct the same, with all Charges incident to any Levy or Recovery thereof, out of his, her, or their Rent, in the same Manner as is mentioned and provided in and by the said herein-before recited Act of the Thirty-sirst Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, in the Case of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments let out in Parcels to Under Tenants, and Houses let out to Lodgers in separate Apartments.

XI. Provided also, That no Tenant or Occupier of any House, Tenants of ment, Garden, or Hereditament whatsoever, which shall have been com- compounded pounded for as aforefaid, shall be liable to pay any Rate or Rates, Assest-liable for ment or Assessments made thereupon, or in respect thereof, for any longer Period of Time than his, her, or their Occupancy, and by no Means for any Rate left unpaid by any former Occupier.

XII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Agreements Act contained shall be construed, deemed, or taken to impeach, alter, or between Land, make void any Agreement made between Landlord and Tenant, in any Tenantsnot to Lease now granted or hereaster to be granted pursuant to any Contract or be imprached. Agreement now existing; any Thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That in Default or Failure of Pay- Premises to rement of any Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, which shall be at man charged. any Time made under and by virtue of this or the said recited Acts, or either of them, or which shall hereafter remain due or unpaid, or any Part thereof as aforesaid, the same shall be and remain a Charge upon the Premises, in respect whereof the same shall be so rated or assessed, for the Space of Six Calendar Months after such Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, shall have become due, and shall and may, after Seven Days Notice, under the Hands of Five or more of the said Governors and Directors for the Time being, left upon the Premises in respect whereof such Rate is made, be sued for and recovered of and from such Owner or Owners, Leaseholder or Leaseholders, Landlord or Landlords respectively, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information in any of. [Loc. & Per.] 41 N

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His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster, or in any Court of Requests within the Jurisdiction of which any such Landlord or Leaseholder or Owner shall reside respectively, such Action, Suit, or Information to be commenced and prosecuted in such Name as in the said secondly recited Act mentioned; and if the Plaintiff shall recover in any such Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, he shall have full Costs, to be levied and recovered as other Monies upon Judgement are or may by Law be levied and recovered.

Rates to be demanded

XIV. And be it further enacted, That in order to avoid the Lofs which frequently happens by Tenants or Occupiers of Houses, Tenements, or Before Quarter Hereditaments, quitting and removing from the same before the Quarter Day on which the Rates or Affessments charged by virtue of this or the faid recited Acts, or either of them, on the said Houses, Tenements, or Hereditaments, shall become due and payable, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Governors and Directors, or the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish, or either of them, or the Collector or Collectors of the said Rates appointed or to be appointed, as in the said recited Acts, or one of them, mentioned, Fourteen Days before every fuch Quarter Day, or at any other subsequent Time, to demand and receive the respective Rates and Assessments which would be due and payable on such Quarter Day; and in case of Non-payment thereof, to enforce the Payment of fuch Rates and Affessments, in the same Manner and with the fame Powers, as in case of the Non-payment of such Rates and Assess. ments upon or after the Quarter Day on which the same would have become due and payable. •

Governors may remit Rates on acrecount of Poverty.

XV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful to and for the said Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, and they are hereby empowered, at any Meeting to be held pursuant to this or the said recited Acts, upon the Complaint or Request of any Person or Persons liable to the Payment of any Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments to be made by virtue of this or the said former Acts, who shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved thereby, or incompetent to pay the same, to mitigate or reduce the same, as they in their Discretion shall think just and reasonable, and also to remit or excuse the Payment thereof, on account of the Poverty or Indigence of any Person or Persons liable to pay the same, and so complaining or requesting the Remission or Reduction of such Rates or Assessments, or any Part thereof.

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XVI. And be it further enacted, That for the better enabling the said other Persons Governors and Directors to make fair and equal Assessments for the Relief of the Poor of the said Parish, and for other the Purposes of this and the said recited Acts, it shall and may be lawful for the said Governors and Directors, from Time to Time, as often as they may deem it necessary, to name and appoint any Surveyor or Surveyors, or other competent Person or Persons, to estimate and ascertain the Annual Value of all or any House or Houses, Ground, or other Hereditaments liable to be assessed to the Rates made, or to be made, for the Relief of the Poor in the said Parish, and for other the Purposes aforesaid; and to pay such Surveyor or Surveyors, or Person or Persons so named and employed, by and out of fuch Rate or Rates, such Sum and Sums of Money, for his or their Trouble therein,

therein, as to them, the said Governors and Directors, shall seem just and reasonable.

XVII, Provided always, That before any fuch Surveyor or Surveyors, Persons and or other Person or Persons, shall take upon him or them to make any Esti- pointed to mate or Valuation, for the Purposes aforesaid, he and they shall make and sworn. subscribe an Oath or Affirmation, in Writing, to be administered and taken as herein-after mentioned, and to be filed and kept by the said Governors and Directors; which Oath or Affirmation shall be in the Words, or to the Effect herein-after set forth:

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'partially, and honestly, to the best of my Skill and Judgement, execute the Trust reposed in me by virtue of an Act passed in the Forty-ninth

Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled, &c. [here set out the Title of this Act] without Favour or Affection, Preju-

dice or Malice, to any Person whomsoever.

So help me GOD.

XVIII. And, for the better and more peaceably Election of Governors The Number and Directors of the Poor of the said Parish, in the Stead of those whose of Vacancies Offices shall become vacant by any of the Ways in the said secondly re-tobe published cited Act mentioned, and for amending the Manner of electing the same, be it enacted, That the said Governors and Directors of the Poor shall, and they are hereby required, to cause a Notice to be published in the Church of the said Parish, immediately after Divine Service on Easter Sunday, Yearly, of the Vacancies that shall then be in the Number of Governors and Directors (not being such by virtue of Office) by Death, Removal, or otherwise. in which Notice shall be set forth the Grounds and Causes of fuch Vacancies respectively.

every Easter Sunday,

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the Inhabitants of the said Parish, For deterwho shall be rated to and have paid in his, her, or their own Right, the min ng the Manner of Poors Rates, and other Parochial Rates of the said Parish, up to Easter Elections. Sunday aforesaid, or so many of them as shall think fit, shall and may meet and allemble in the Church of the said Parish, on the Tuesday in Easter Week, Yearly, for the Purpose of electing and appointing Inhabitants, duly qualified, according to the faid secondly recited Act, to fill up the said Vacancies; at which Meeting the Acting Churchwarden of the said Parish, chosen by the Inhabitants, or in case of his Death or Absence, one of his Sidesmen, shall preside; and any Inhabitant, duly qualified, as aforesaid, to vote at the faid Election, may at fuch Meeting nominate one or more Inhabitant or Inhabitants, duly qualified, to take upon him or them the said Office of Governor to fill up the said Vacancy or Vacancies, or any of them, so that the Number by him or her named does not in the Whole exceed the Number of the said Vacancies; and the Perfon and Persons so nominated, who shall appear, either upon a Shew of Hands, or otherwise, to be approved of by a Majority of qualified Inhabitants then present, shall be deemed to be chosen to the said Office of Governor or Governors, unless it shall appear doubtful at the said Meeting which of the Person or Persons, so nominated, is or are duly chosen and appointed by the Majority of qualified Inhabitants then present, or unless a Poll shall be demanded for and on Behalf of any of the Persons so nominated; in all which

which Cases the Election and Appointment shall be finally determined by a Poll of the Inhabitants of the said Parish, who shall then be qualified, or who shall duly qualify themselves previous to voting in the said Election, by paying all and every of the said Rates by them due and owing at the Time of taking the faid Poll; and fuch Poll shall be held and commence before the said Churchwarden, or, in his Absence, before one of his Sidesmen, at the Hour of Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, on the Monday next after the faid Tuesday in Easter-Week, and shall be then duly and regularly kept open and proceeded on from Day to Day, from the Hours of Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, until Three of the Clock in the Afternoon of each Day, unless the same shall be previously closed by the Consent of the Candidates, or by reason that no Person, duly qualified, tenders his or her Vote within the Space of Half an Hour from the Time when the Person' who was last polled appeared and tendered his or her Vote for any of the Candidates: Provided nevertheless, that no fuch Poll shall continue more than Three Days in the Whole, nor on each Day beyond the Hour before mentioned; and that the said Churchwarden or Sidesman shall, immediately after the said Poll shall be finally closed, truly, fairly, and publickly, declare the Name and Names of the Person and Persons who shall have the Majority of Votes on such Poll, and that they are duly elected to such Office and Offices; which Person and Persons shall thereupon have the like Power and Authority, and be subject to the like Regulations and Restrictions as the Person or Persons in whose Stead he or they shall be so elected; and that whenever the Number of Votes shall be equal, the Churchwarden or Sidesman so presiding, shall be considered as having Two Votes.

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XX. And be it further enacted, That whenever any poor Person or Perfons, or any Vagrant or Vagrants, shall be ordered to be removed from the faid Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, to the Parish or Place of his, her, or their legal Settlement, it shall be lawful for the said Governors and Directors, or the Churchwardens or Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, to cause such poor Person or Persons, Vagrant or Vagrants, to be respectively removed to the Parish or Place of his, her, or their legal Settlement, by the Beadle of the said Parish of Saint Mary Magaialen Bermondsey, or by such other Person as the faid Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, by Writing under their Hands, shall yearly or otherwise for that Purpose appoint; which Beadle or other Person shall and is hereby authorized to remove and convey fuch poor Person or Persons, Vagrant or Vagrants, as fully and effectually as Churchwardens, Overfeers of the Poor, Constables and other proper Officers of the like Nature and Description are by the present Laws of the Realm directed and empowered to do; and the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor, and other proper Officers of the Parish, Hamlet, or Place, to which any such poor Person or Persons, Vagrant or Vagrants, shall be ordered to be removed, and every of them, is and are hereby required to receive every such poor Person and Persons, Vagrant or Vagrants, in like Manner as he, she, or they, would be bound to do if such poor Person or Persons, Vagrant or Vagrants, had been delivered to him, her, or them, by one of the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, or by the Constable thereof; any Law, Custom, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Vagrants and Persons threatening XXI. And whereas divers Persons belonging to, and who ought, by the Laws now in force, to be relieved by the said Parish of Saint Mary Mag-dalen

to leave their Families to be fent to the Workhouse.

dalen Bermondsey, are found wandering and begging in the said Parish, and committing Acts of Vagrancy, and otherwise misbehaving themselves: And whereas divers Persons, by reason of their idle and disorderly living, do neglect or refuse to maintain, and do desert, their Families, such Families not being able to maintain themselves; and if Powers were given to appre-. hend such Persons, and to send them to the Workhouse of the said Parish, there to be dealt with in Manner herein-after mentioned, it might tend to enure them to a Habit of Industry and make them useful to the Public; be it therefore enacted, That the said Governors and Directors shall, and they hereby have Power and Authority to receive and to order and compel all and every Person found wandering and begging in the said Parish, or committing Acts of Vagrancy; and also all and every idle and disorderly Person or Persons refusing to maintain themselves, and who shall belong to, or ought, by any Law now in force, to be relieved and provided for by the said Parish, to come in to work, dwell, and inhabit the said Workhouse, and to detain, keep, maintain, and employ, all such poor Persons therein respectively, so long as it shall not be made appear to the said Governors and Directors, on the Part of any fuch poor Person or Persons, that he, she, or they, are of Ability or can otherwise be sufficiently maintained and provided for without the Aid and Provision of the said Governors and Directors; and they the said Governors and Directors shall have Power and Authority to eplmoy, set, and compel all such Poor who shall be received or come into and dwell and be in the said Workhouse. during such their Abode and Residence there, and whilst maintained by the said Governors and Directors, to do, execute, and perform, such Work, Labour, Business, and Employ, as the said Governors and Directtors, at any of their Weekly or General Meetings, shall think and judge fuch respective Poor are and shall be able and fit to do and perform for the Use of the said Parish; and to detain and keep all such Persons found wandering and begging in the said Parish, and committing Acts of Vagrancy, and also all such idle and disorderly Persons who shall have so deserted, threatened to leave, or neglected or refused to maintain his, her, or their Families, and to set each of them to work in such Workhouse, during such Time, and until every Person, by his or her Work or Labour there, shall have got and raised so much Money above their Maintenance, as shall be sufficient to repay and reimburse to the said Governors and Directors the Charges and Expences they shall have sustained in the maintaining and providing for every fuch Person, and his or her Family; and in case any such Person shall not, by his or her Work and Labour, have gained so much Money as shall be sufficient to reimburse the said Governors and Directors the Charges and Expences of having maintained him or her, or any of his or her Family, as aforesaid, or who shall neglect or resuse to apply himself or herself to such reasonable Work or Labour as shall be given to him or her by the Master or Mistress of such Workhouse, under the Directions of the said Governors and Directors, then the said Governors and Directors at any of their Weekly or other Meetings, shall have Power to detain and keep such Person within such Workhouse to Hard Labour for the Space of Twenty-eight Days.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Governors and Directors of the Poor, present at any Weekly or General Meeting, to take, accept, and receive, any Bond or Security from any Person or Persons, for indemnifying the Parishioners of the said-Parish against any the Costs, Charges, and Expences of the Lying-in of any Single Bastard Chil-Woman [Loc. & Per.]

Governors may take Bonds to indemni'**y** agarnit pences of

Woman in the said Parish, and the Maintenance and Support of any Bastard Child or Children respectively born or to be born therein.

Former Bonds vested in the Governors...

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That all Bonds and Securities, which have been given to any Churchwarden or Churchwardens, Overfeer or Overfeers of the Poor, or other Officer or Officers of the faid Parish, for indemnifying the faid Parish, or the Parishioners thereof, from any Charges or Expences that may arise from Bastard Children, shall be vested in the said Governors and Directors, who shall and may, and they are hereby authorized, to sue on such Bonds and Securities, in the same Manner as any other Penalty or Forseiture is by the said herein-before secondly-recited Act authorized to be sued for and recovered; any Law, Statute, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

For the levying of Rates on Refusal.

XXIV. And for the better and more effectual raising and levying the several Rates and Assessments by this and the said herein-before recited Acts directed to be made, be it further enacted, That in case any of the Landlords or Occupiers, or any Owner or Owners, Proprietor or Proprietors, Lessee or Lessees, Occupier or Occupiers of any Land, Ground, Dwelling House, Shop, Warehouse, Coach-house, Stable, Cellar, Vault, Building, Tenement, Garden, or Hereditament within the faid Parish, by this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, made liable to pay any Rate or Assessment made, laid, and assessed by virtue of this or the said recited Acts, shail refuse or neglect to pay the Money rated and affessed upon him, her, or them respectively, and all Arrears due thereon, or upon any former Rate or Rates, it shall be lawful to and for any Five of the said Governors and Directors, and they or any Five or more of them are hereby authorized and required to fummon, by Writing under their Hand or Hands, all and every Person and ersons who shall have refused or neglected as aforesaid, (Oath being first made before them, or any Five or more of them by the Collector or Collectors appointed by the faid Governors and Directors, of his or their having attended upon or at the Dwelling-house or last Place of Abode of each and every Person and 'erfons then intended to be summoned, and demanded the Amount of the faid Rate or Rates, and of the same being then unpaid), to appear before any One or more Justice or Justices, acting in and for the said County of Surrey, who shall be sitting upon the Return of such Summon or Summonses, at the Time and Place therein mentioned, to hear and determine the Matters therein contained; and it shall and may be lawful to and for the Collector and Collectors appointed, or to be appointed as aforefaid, or for any of the Constables, Headboroughs or Beadles of the said Parish, to ferve all and every such Summons and Summonses upon all and every Perfon and Persons so refusing or neglecting to pay as aforesaid, either by delivering the same to the Person or Persons thereby intended to be summoned or leaving the same at his, her, or their last or usual Place or Places of Abode, or at the Premises for which the Rates mentioned in such Summons shall remain due and owing; and if any Person or Persons so fummoned shall refuse or neglect to attend at the Time and Place mentioned in fuch Summons, or if he, she, or they shall attend and shall not make it appear to such Justice or Justices, by good and sufficient Cause, that ... he, she, or they, is or are not chargeable with such Rate or Rates, then and in every fuch Case all and every such Person and Persons who shall have been so summoned, shall pay the reasonable Costs and Charges of

such Summons; and in all Cases where the said Rate or Rates, or any of them, shall not be paid upon the Return of such Summons, it shall and may be lawful to and for such Justice or Justices, and he or they is and are hereby authorized and required, upon Oath made before him or them of the due Service of such Summons or Summonses, by the Party who shall have served the same, to grant a Warrant or Warrants under his or their Hand or Hands, Seal or Seals, authorizing and directing the said Collector or Collectors, or any Constable, Headborough, or Beadle of the said Parish, to collect and levy all and every such Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, and all Arrears thereof, and the Expences of the Summons and Warrant, by Distress of the Goods and Chattels of the Party so neglecting or refusing, which shall be found either within the said Parish or elsewhere; and if within Five Days next after any such Distress shall be made, the said Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, with all Arrears due thereon, shall not be paid, together with the reasonable Charges of the faid Summons (if fuch Summons shall not have been before paid for) and Warrant, and of making such Distress, and keeping such Goods and Chattels, the said Collector or Collectors, Constable or Constables, Headborough or Headboroughs, Beadle or Beadles, shall cause the said Goods to be appraised by one or more Appraiser or Appraisers, and the same, or such Part or Parts thereof as shall be sufficient, to be sold to pay the said Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, together with all Arrears due thereon, and the reasonable Charges aforesaid, and the Charges of appraising and selling the same, returning the Overplus (if any) to the Owner or Owners of such Goods and Chattels respectively, upon Demand thereof made by him, her, or them.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That every Warrant of Distress for Form of the Non-payment of any Rate or Assessment to be made by virtue of this or Warrant. the said herein before recited Acts, or either of them, shall be made in the Words or to the Effect following:

- Surrey, TO the Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and Collectors of the wit. To the Poors Rates of the Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen " Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey, and to all Constables and other Peace Officers whomsoever, any or either of them.
- WHEREAS the undermentioned Persons, now or late Inhabitants, Householders, Landlords, Tenants, Occupiers or Enjoyers of Land, "Houses, Shops, Warehouses, Coach Houses, Stables, Cellars, Vaults, or other Buildings, Tenements, Gardens, or Hereditaments, or Part of fome Building or Tenement within the said Parish of Saint Mary Magdae len Bermondsey, were and are liable to pay the Rate or Rates duly made for the Purpose of an Act made in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of "King George the Third, intituled, An Act [fet forth the Title of this Act]: And whereas the said Persons have refused or neglected to pay the several " Sums of Money at and against their Names hereunder respectively set,
- Act mentioned or referred unto; and the faid several Sum and Sums are fill remaining due in arrear and unpaid; and the said several Persons * having been fummoned to appear before

being Money due from them for and towards the Purposes in the said

to answer the Premises, as appeareth to me [or, us] Justice [or, Justices] upon Oath; and they, nor either of them, having

* shewn any sufficient Cause why such Sum or Sums of Money should not

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be paid, These are therefore in His Majesty's Name to will and require you, any or either of you, forthwith to levy the said several Sums due from the said Persons, and hereunder joined to or set against their Names respectively, by Distress and Sale of their respective Goods and Chattels, ' (such Goods and Chattels being kept for the Space of fore the same are sold, rendering to them respectively the Overplus, if any), the reasonable Charges of such Summons, Warrants, Distress, Sale and Keeping, being first deducted; and if no sufficient Distress can be had or taken, that then you certify the same to me, [or, us,] to the end such further Proceedings may be had therein as to the Law doth ape pertain; and I [or, we] do hereby strictly charge and command all and 's singular the Constables and other His Majesty's Peace Officers for the faid County to be aiding and affisting in all Things relating to the Pree mises. Given under my Hand and Seal, sor, under our Hands and in the Year of our Day of Seals, this 4 Lord

L. s. d.

· A. B.

· C. D.

E. F. the Landlord for divided Premises.

Contracts for Land to be in Writing. XXVI. And be it enacted, That all Contracts, Agreements, Sales, Deeds, Conveyances, and Assurances for any Land, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased for the Purposes of this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, shall be made at the Expence of the said Governors and Directors; and that all Conveyances of any such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to the said Governors and Directors for the Purposes of this or the said recited Acts, or either of them, shall and may be made in the Form or to the Effect following:

Form of Grant.

BE it remembered, That I, A. B. of in confideration to me paid by the Governors and of the Sum of Directors of the Poor of the Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey, (or in Consideration of an Annuity, as the Case may be) do hereby grant and release (or assign, as the Case may be) to the said Governors and Directors, all shere describe the Premises to be conveyed] and all my Right, Title, and Interest to and in the same, and every Part thereof, to hold the same to the said Governors and Directors, and their Successors, for ever, (or for the Interest assigned, as the Case may be) by virtue and according to the true Intent and Meaning of an Act made in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled, An Act [here insert the Title of the Act.] In Witness whereof I the said A.B. have hereunto set my Hand and in the Year of our Day of Seal, this • Lord

And every such Conveyance so made, in the Form and Manner or to the Effect aforesaid, shall afterwards be enrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, and shall be valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, any Law, Statute, Usage or Custom, to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Governors to purchase a Carriage and

XXVII. And be it further ellicted, That in case the several Persons having a Right to the Cart Way, Horse Way, and Foot Ways from the High Street to the Tenements at the East End of the said Church Yard, Footway. shall at any Time hereafter consent and agree to relinquish the same to the said Governors and Directors, (such Consent to be signissed in Writing) then and in such Case it shall be lawful for the said Governors and Directors, and they are hereby required to purchase of and from the Owners and Proprietors of a certain private Street or Way on the South Side of the faid Church Yard, or of any Ground adjoining thereto, a Right of a Carriage Way, Horse Way, and Foot Way to and for the said several Persons so entitled as aforesaid, in lieu of the Ways and Privileges so consented to be relinquished.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Body Politic, In case Pro-Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Executor, Ad- prietors can-not agree with ministrator, Trustee, Feossee in Trust, Husband, Guardian, Committee the Governors of any Lunatic or Idiot, Commissioners appointed under or by virtue of a Jury to be any Act of Parliament, or other Person or Persons whomsoever, seized, possessed, entitled or interested in or to the Land, Ground, Tenement or Hereditaments, by this or the faid former Acts, or either of them, authorized to be purchased for the Purposes of enlarging the Workhouse and Church Yard of the said Parish as therein or herein-before mentioned, shall neglect or refuse to treat, or shall not agree with the said Governors and Directors for the Sale of, or the taking, using, passing over or damaging any the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments mentioned or specified in the Schedule hereunto annexed, or any Part or Parts thereof, or for their Interest therein, or by reason of Absence or other Inability shall be prevented from treating with the said Governors and Directors, or shall not or cannot produce and make out a clear Title to the Hereditaments and Premises required to be purchased, taken, or used as aforesaid, and of which he, she, or they are or may be in Possession, or to the Interest he, the, or they do or may claim therein, to the Satisfaction of the faid Governors and Directors, at a Meeting to be by them the faid Governors and Directors appointed for that Purpose, of which Meeting Eight Days Notice at least, signed by the Clerk to the said Governors and Directors, shall be given or left at the Dwelling House or Place of Abode of the Mayor, Bailiff, or other Head Officer of any fuch Corporation, or of the Owner, Trustee, or other Person interested in such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or at the House of the Tenant or Occupier thereof, or where the same shall be unoccupied, by affixing such Notice on the Door or some other conspicuous Part of the said Premises, then and in every such Case it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Governors and Directors to cause a Notice in Writing, figned by their Clerk, to be given, left, or affixed as aforesaid of the Sum of Money in gross, or the Annuity or Rent Charge they are willing to pay or grant for the Purchase of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Right or Rights of Way over the fame, or for the joint or separate Interests of the said Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporation, Executor, Administrator, Trustee or Trustees, Feossees, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, Commissioners, Owners, Occupiers, or other Person or Persons interested in the same, or for any Part or Parts thereof, Interest or Interests therein, concerning the Sale and Purchase whereof there shall be any Dispute or Difficulty; in which Notice a Time and Place shall be appointed for a Meeting with [Loc. & Per.] 41Pthe

the Parties interested in the same, which Time shall be at the Distance of Fourteen Days at the least from the Delivery of such Notice; and in case fuch Mayor, Bailiff, or other Head Officer, Owner, Occupier, Trustee, or other Person so interested as aforesaid, or some Person duly authorized in their Behalf, shall resuse or neglect to attend at the Time and Place in fuch Notice mentioned, or shall refuse to accept the Sum or Sums, Annuity or Rent Charge so offered, or shall not then produce and make out, to the Satisfaction of the said Governors and Directors, a clear Title to the Hereditaments and Premises, or to the particular Interest claimed therein, or shall, upon being required by the said Governors and Directors, refuse to enter into a written Contract or Agreement to convey the same to the faid Governors and Directors, or to fuch Person or Persons, and in such Way or Ways as they shall direct, then the said Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, shall cause to be enquired into, ascertained, and affessed, by and upon the Oath of a Jury of Twelve indifferent Men of the County of Surrey, what Recompence or Satisfaction shall be made to the Owners, Proprietors, Occupiers of, or other Persons interested as af esaid, for or upon account of the taking, using, passing over, or damaging such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or of the respective Interests of the said several Parties therein; which Jury shall and may, according as the said Governors and Directors shall deem it adviseable, inquire into and ascertain either the total Recompence to be made to the Owner or Owners, and all other Persons interested in the Premises collectively, or only so much and such Part or Parts thereof, or for such Interest or Interests therein, as the said Governors and Directors shall deem it necessary, at such Time to have inquired into and ascertained; and in order thereto, the faid Governors and Directors shall, and they are hereby required to give a Notice in Writing Ten Days at the least previous to the Day on which the Jury shall be summoned, to meet in Manner herein-after mentioned, to the Person or Persons interested in the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or so many of them as are at that Time known to the said Governors and Directors, which Notice shall specify the Time and Place at which the Governors and Directors and Jury are to meet, for the Purposes of assessing and ascertaining the Amount of the said Recompence and Satisfaction for the Premises, or where they deem it adviseable, of the particular Interest or Interests, the Value of which is to be then assessed and ascertained, and whether the same is to be done by a gross Sum or by Way of Annuity or Rent Charge; which Notice shall be signed and served in the same Manner as the Notice last herein-before by this Act required is directed to be given, served, or affixed; and the said Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, are hereby empowered and required from Time to Time, as Occasion shall require, to issue their Warrant to the Sheriff of the faid County of Surrey, thereby commanding him to impanel, fummon, and return Twenty-four disinterested reputable Persons of the said County, qualified to serve on Juries, and not being Land Owners, Tenants, or Occupiers of Land or Tenements within, or Inhabitants of, the said Parish, to appear before the said Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, at such Time and Place as in such Warrant shall be appointed; and the said Sheriff, or his Deputy, is hereby required to impanel, summon, and return such Number accordingly; and the Persons so impannelled, summoned, and returned, are hereby required to appear before the said Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, at such Time and Place as in and by such Warrant and Summons shall be directed

rected and appointed, and to attend there, or at any other Place or Places within the said Parish to which the said Inquiry shall, by the said Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, be adjourned from Day to Day, until they shall be discharged by the said. Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them; and out of the Persons so impanelled, summoned, and returned, or out of such of them as shall appear upon such Summons, the Clerk to the said Governors and Directors shall, draw or cause to be drawn by Ballot, Twelve out of the said Twenty-sour, and shall administer the Oath herein-after set forth to every Person so drawn upon such Jury, and against whom no Cause of Challenge shall be allowed, in manner herein-after mentioned, such Oath to be administered as hereinafter is by this Act directed; and in default of the Attendance of a sufficient: Number of Persons so summoned and impanelled, or if their Number shall. be reduced to less than Twelve, by the setting aside of some for Cause of Challenge, allowed in Manner as is herein-after provided, then, and in every such Case, the said Sheriff or his Deputy, if the Majority of the Governors and Directors then present shall direct him so to do, shall impannel other honest and indisferent Men of the Standers-bye, or that can be speedily procured, to attend thereon, who shall be sworn in like Manner, until the Number of Twelve shall be completed, which Twelve Persons so sworn, shall be the Jury for the Purposes aforesaid; and the said Governors and Directors, and all other Persons interested or concerned, shall have their lawful Challenges against any of the said Jurymen when they come to be sworn: Provided always, that all Persons interested and concerned in the Matter of the said Inquiry, other than the said Governors and Directors, shall join in their Challenges of the said Jurymen, or otherwife the same shall not be allowed, and shall not be permitted to challenge. the Array, or more than Fifteen of the said Persons so impannelled or called; and the said Governors and Directors, or any Five of them, are also hereby empowered and required, at any Time after they shall have issued their Warrant to the Sheriss, directing him to impannel a Jury, and as often, from Time to Time thereafter, as Occasion shall be or require, to issue their Precept or Summons, thereby commanding any Person or Persons whomsoever to appear and be examined before the said Jury upon Oath, touching the Matters in question (such Oath to be administered as herein-after is directed); and the said Governors and Directors shall and may order and cause the Jury so impannelled and sworn, to view the Premises in question if there be Occasion, and shall use all other Ways and Means for the Information of the said Jury in the Premises, which to them the said Governors and Directors shall seem fit and expedient; and the said Governors and Directors shall have full Power to adjourn every such Meeting or Hearing from Day to Day, and to such Hour and Place or Places within the said Parish as Occasion shall require; and all Persons fummoned on such Jury, and the said Jury when sworn, and all Witnesses and Parties shall and are hereby required to attend thereupon until they shall be discharged by the said Governors and Directors; and the said Governors and Directors, or any Five of them, shall have full Power from Time to Time, and at all Times, to impose any reasonable Fine or Fines on such Sheriff, his Under Sheriff or Deputy, Bailiff or Bailiffs Agent or Agents making Default in the Premises; and on any Person or Persons who, being summoned and returned on such Jury, shall not appear and attend at each and every Meeting and Meetings and Adjournments thereof, until they shall be discharged in Manner aforesaid; and on any Person or Persons who.

who shall refuse to be sworn on such Jury, or who being so sworn shall refuse or shall not give their Verdict therein, or who shall in any other Manner wilfully neglect his, her, or their Duty, for which he or they shall have been so summoned or returned or impannelled; or upon any Person or Persons who being summoned to give Evidence before the said Jury, shall neglect or refuse to appear, or appearing shall refuse to be fworn and give Evidence therein, and from Time to Time to recover, levy, and apply all fuch Fine or Fines hereby authorized to be by them the faid Governors and Directors, or any Five of them, imposed in the same Manner as any other Forfeiture or Penalty is, by the said recited Acts or either of them, directed to be recovered, levied, and applied, so as that no fuch Fine shall exceed the Sum of Twenty Pounds upon the Sheriff, his Under Sheriff, or Deputy, or of Ten Pounds upon any other Person for one Offence; and the Jury so sworn shall inquire into and assess the Value of, and the Recompence and Satisfaction to be paid or made to the Owners, Proprietors, Occupiers of, or Persons otherwise interested in the Premises, all or any of them, as the Case may be, and shall give in their Verdict accordingly to the said Governors and Directors.

Verdict of jury to be final.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That after the faid Jury shall have enquired of, ascertained, and assessed such Recompence and Satisfaction as aforefaid, the faid Governors and Directors shall thereupon (unless a new Trial shall be granted in the Manner herein-after mentioned) adjudge and determine the Sum or Sums of Money, Annuity or Annuities so assessed by the faid Jury, to be paid or granted to the Corporation, Owner, Proprietor, Occupier, Trustee or Trustees, or other Person or Persons aforesaid, according to such Verdict or Inquisition, and the Judgement, Order, or Determination so had and made shall be final, binding, and conclusive, to all Intents and Purposes, as well against the King's Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, as against all Parties and Persons whomsoever, claiming in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, or otherwise, their Heirs and Successors (as well absent as present), Infants, Femes Covert, Idiots, Lunatics, Cestuique Trusts, and Persons under any other Disability whatsoever, Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Ecclesiastical or Civil, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, as well as all other Persons whomsoever; and all and every fuch Owners, Proprietors, and Occupiers, and other Persons interested in such Lands, Tenements, Ground, or Hereditaments, shall, upon Payment or Tender of the Money so assessed as aforesaid, or upon Payment or depositing thereof in Manner herein after directed, or upon such Annuity or Annuities, Rent Charge or Rent Charges being so secured as aforesaid, be from thenceforth to all Intents and Purposes divested of all Right, Title, Claim, Interest, and Property of, in, and to the same; and thereupon the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or the Right or Interest so purchased, shall vest in the said Governors and Directors, and they shall be deemed in Law to be in the actual Possession thereof to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, save and except such Right or Rights of Way as may be purchased under the Provisions of this Act, for the said Tenants or Occupiers of the said Messuages, Tenements, and Premises at the East End of the said Church Yard (which Right and Rights of Way so to be purchased) shall thenceforth for ever be used and enjoyed by such Occupiers and Possessors thereof in the same Manner as the present Tenants and Occupiers are now entitled to use and enjoy the Ways intended to be relinquished.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That the said Jury and Juries shall not Value of Lands in any Shape, or upon any Account whatever, in affesting or ascertaining to be ascerthe Value of any Premises, or of any Interest or Interests therein, or of Reference to any Right or Rights to be purchased over the same, take into their Consideration any Increase in Worth or Value which such Premises thall or may receive by any of the Works hereby, or by the said former Acts, or either of them, authorized to be done and performed; but the Recompence to be made for such Ground or Premises, Right or Rights, shall be inquired into, ascertained, and assessed by the said Jury, according to the Value of the same, without Reference to any such Works.

XXXI. Provided nevertheless, That such Jury and Juries shall, and Jury to make they are hereby required, in, afcertaining the Value of any Land on the the Liability of South Side of the said Church Yard, or of any Interest therein, to take Owners to into their Consideration any decreased Worth or Value thereof, for or on Account of the Costs or Expences which the Owner or Owners, Lesse or Lessees of such Ground, is or are by Law subject or liable to pay or expend in the maintaining and supporting a proper Fence between such Ground fo to be purchased and the faid Church Yard, and in the Assestment to be by them made to deduct and make a reasonable Allowance for the same out of the Sum to be by the said Governors and Directors paid for the Purchase of the said Land, and to return their Verdict accordingly.

Allowancesfor repair Walls.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That each and every of the said Jury to be Jury shall be sworn to ascertain and affess such Recompence and Satisfac-sworn. tion as aforesaid, in the Form following, except so far as it may be necesfary to change the same for the Purpose of describing the Matter or Thing, Matters or Things for which the faid Recompence or Satisfaction is to be ascertained or given:

A. B. do swear, That I will well and truly assess and enquire, with Form of Oath. out any Favour, Partiality, or Affection whatfoever, the Sum [or, Annuity, as the Case may be which ought to be paid [or, granted, as the Case may be for and in Recompence of [describing the Premises only, if the total Value thereof is to be the Matter of Inquiry, or if any separate Interest or 'Interests, then say, the Estate and Interest of A. B., or, the several and respective Estates and Interests of A.B. C.D. and E.F. each and every of 'them] in the [describe the Premises to be purchased] or in the Right or Rights of Way over [describe the Premises over which the same is to be.] under and by virtue of an Act passed [here recite the Title of this Act] 'and that I will a true Verdict give according to the Evidence. ' So help me GOD.'

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Body or Bodies Politic, Owners not compelled to fell Part in one

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the Whole.

Corporate or Collegiate, Ecclesiastical or Civil, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, or any other Person or Persons whomsoever, Owner or Owners of, or interested in any Part or Parts of any Houses, Buildings, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased by virtue of this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, which shall be in the actual Possession of one Tenant or several Tenants, shall by Notice in Writing, to be left at the Dwelling House or Office of the Clerk to the said Go-

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vernors and Directors, within Ten Days next after Application for the Purchase thereof, signify his, her, or their Desire to sell and convey the Whole of fuch Houses, Buildings, Lands, or Hereditaments, then and in every such Case the Whole of every such House, Building, Land, or Premises shall be deemed and held to be necessary to be purchased for effecting the Purposes of this and the before-recited Acts; and in case fuch Owners or Persons interested as aforesaid shall neglect to give such Notice, or being willing to sell such Part and Parts of the Premises aforesaid, cannot agree with the said Governors and Directors as to the Sum of Money to be paid for the Part which the faid Governors and Directors shall think necessary to be purchased, then and in every such Case a Jury fummoned as is herein-before provided, shall ascertain the Value of the Premiles according to the Condition in which they are at the Time of such Inquiry, and also the Value of such Part of the same as will remain after the said Governors and Directors shall have taken away so much as they think necessary in and for the Purposes of this and the herein-before recited Acts, or either of them.

Memorial of Verdicts to be inrolled.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That a Memorial of all such Verdicts and Judgements shall be inrolled with the proper Officer for inrolling of Deeds and Conveyances in the High Court of Chancery, who is hereby required to receive and inrol the same within Six Calendar Months next after such Verdict and Judgement shall be made and given, which Memorial shall and may be in the Form or to the Effect following; that is to say,

Form of Memorial.

BE it remembered, That pursuant to a Warrant directed to the Sheriff of the County of Surrey, dated the under the Hands and Seals in the Year of our Lord of Five or more of the Governors and Directors of the Poor of the ' Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey, appointed to carry into Execution an Act of Parliament made and passed in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the 'Third, intituled, An Act [here insert the Title of this Act] the following, among others, to wit [here insert the Names of the Jury ' sworn were returned and summoned by the said Sheriff to assess and ascertain what Recompence should be made to the Owners of and other * Persons interested in [or, if for a separate Interest, state same as in the Warrant all that [describing the Premises] for or upon account of the faid Premises [or, of the Estate or Interest of the said G.D. as the Case 'may be or for a Right of Way over [here describe the Premises] being taken or used by the Governors and Directors of the Poor of the said ' Parish, for the Purposes of the said Act and other the Acts therein mentioned; and the said Persons being assembled at • the Parish of in the faid County of Surrey, and fworn to affels and ascertain, according to the Evidence then to be produced before them, the just and true Value of the said Premises, For, of the said * Estate and Interest of the said C.D. or of the said Right of Way, as 'the Case may be and what Recompence ought to be made as afore-' said; and after Enquiry had and Evidence given touching the same, the faid Persons did find that the just and true Value of the said Pre-'mises, for, of the said Estate and Interest of the said C.D. or of the Right * of Way, as the Case may be,] and the Recompence to be made as afore.

- faid, was and should be the Sum of or, a certain An-
- nuity, as the Case may be: Whereupon we, whose Names are hereunto 's subscribed and Seals affixed, being Five or more of the Governors and
- Directors of the Poor of the said Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Ber
 - s mondsey, assembled at the Time and Place before-mentioned, do hereby s adjudge and determine the faid Sum of
 - to be paid, | or, 'the said Annuity to be secured] to the Person or Persons interested in
- the said Premises, [or, to the said C. D. as the Case may be,] as the Re
 - compence or Satisfaction of or for his, her, or their several Rights
 - and Interests in the same [or, for the same]. Given under our Hands
 - Day of and Seals this in the Year of our Lord

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That in case the Sum or Sums of By whom Ex-Money, or other Recompence so assessed and awarded by any Jury in &c. are to be consequence of any Refusal to treat and agree for any such Purchase or paid. Purchases as herein-before mentioned, shall be less by one Fourth Part in the Whole than the Sum or Sums of Money, or other Satisfaction, which the faid Governors and Directors shall have previously offered to allow as and for such Purchase and Satisfaction, then and in every such Case all the reasonable Costs, Charges, and Expences of causing and procuring such Recompence as aforesaid to be so assessed and awarded by a Jury as aforesaid, and of the assessing and awarding the same, and in consequence thereof shall be borne and paid by the Body Politic, Corporate or Collegiate, or other Person or Persons so claiming and refusing to treat and agree as before-mentioned respectively; and the said Governors and Directors are hereby authorized and empowered to receive and retain, or cause to be received and retained the Amount of the said Costs, Charges, and Expences out of the Sum or Sums of Money, Annuity or Annuities so to be assessed or awarded, or out of any Part Payment or Payments thereof, and to cause the same to be applied in Discharge of fuch Costs, Charges, and Expences.

XXXVI. Provided always, That before any fuch Costs and Expences BywhomCosts shall be so retained or deducted by the said Governors and Directors, the are to be ascertained, same shall be ascertained and allowed by the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Surrey, or by his Deputy, in all Cases in which such Clerk of the Peace or his Deputy are not interested; but in case such Clerk of the Peace and his Deputy shall be interested in the Matters in Question, then and in every such Case such Costs and Expences shall be ascertained by One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace acting in and for the said County of Surrey, not interested therein; which said Clerk of the Peace, his Deputy or Justice, are hereby authorized and required to ascertain the same for the Purposes aforesaid.

XXXVII. Provided also, That in all Cases wherein any Person or Persons shall, by reason of Absence from or being out of Great Britain, be deducted if prevented from treating with the said Governors and Directors; then the Costs and Expences of summoning and maintaining the said Jury, and all other the Expences of the said Governors and Directors in obtaining treat. such Assessment, shall be paid and discharged by the said Governors and Directors, or their Treasurer, out of the Monies to be raised by virtue of this or the said recited Acts.

No Cofts to be Claimant prevented by Inability to

XXXVIII. Pro-

Allowance to Sheriff and Jury.

XXXVIII. Provided always, and be it enacted. That each and every Juryman who shall be sworn for the Purposes of this or the said recited Acts, shall for his Trouble and Expences in the Premises be allowed the Sum of Ten Shillings and Sixpence for each Day's Attendance, and no more, notwithstanding such Juryman shall be sworn on several Inquiries and Assessments on the same Day; and that the Sheriss for impanelling, fummoning and returning of each Jury shall be allowed the Sum of One Pound One Shilling, and no more; and for attending by himself, his Under Sheriff, or Deputy, upon each Inquiry, and upon every Adjournment thereof, the additional Sum of One Pound One Shilling, and no more; and the said Clerk of the Peace or his Deputy, for ascertaining the faid Costs and Expences, when required so to do, the Sum of Two-Pounds Two Shillings, and no more.

Unless the Rocompense awarded paid or fecured within Six Months, Vering.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That in case the Sum or Sums of Money, Annuity or Annuities so assessed or awarded by any such Jury, and ordered and adjudged by the said Governors and Directors to be paid or granted to the Owners or Occupiers and others, for their respective dict not bind- Rights and Interests in the Premises the Subjects of such Inquiry, shall not be paid, tendered, deposited, or granted as herein-before directed, within Six Calendar Months after the same shall have been so assessed, ordered, and adjudged, then and in such Case the Verdict of the said Jury, and the Order and Adjudication thereon, shall not be binding upon the said Parties, but the same shall be null and void, to all Intents and Purposes whatfoever, any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding; and thereupon the said Parties shall be entitled to the Costs and Expences by them sustained by reason of such Inquiry, which Costs and Expences, to be ascertained in such Manner as Costs and Expences are by this Act directed to be ascertained, shall be paid by the said Governors and Directors within Fourteen Days next after the same shall be demanded of their Clerk for the Time being.

Lands to vest in the Governors on Payment or Secu-· lue or Amount thereof.

XL. And be it further enacted, That upon Payment or legal Tender of such Sum or Sums of Money, or good and sufficient Security being given by the faid Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, for rity for the Va- Payment of any such Annuity or Annual Rent as shall have been contracted or agreed for between the Parties, or adjusted and determined by any Jury or Juries for the Purchase of any such Lands or other Hereditaments, or as a Recompence for any yearly Produce or Profits thereof, or as a Compensation for Damages, or any Right or Rights of Way so to be purchased as herein-before mentioned, to the Proprietor or Proprietors of fuch Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or to such other Person or Persons as shall be interested therein, or entitled to receive such Purchase Money, Rent, or Compensation respectively, or to his, her, or their Agent or Agents, at any Time after the same shall have been actually so agreed for, determined, or assessed, or the depositing the same in the Bank of England, in Manner as by this Act is directed, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Governors and Directors, and their Agents, Workmen, and Servants, immediately to enter upon fuch Lands, Tenements, or other Hereditaments respectively; and then and thereupon such Lands, Tenements, and other Hereditaments, together with the yearly Profits thereof, and all the Estate, Use, Trust, and Interest of any Person or Persons therein, shall from thenceforth be vested in and become the sole Property of the said Governors and Directors, to and for the Purposes of this and the said hereinbefore recited Acts, for ever; and such Tender, Payment, or Deposit, shall not only bar all Right, Title, Claim, and Demand of the Person or Persons to whom the same is or ought to have been made, but also shall extend to and be deemed and construed to bar the Dower of the Wife of every such Person, and all Estates Tail and other Estates in Reversion, Remainder, Expectancy, or otherwise, and his, her, or their Issue, and of all and every other Person or Persons interested therein.

XII. And whereas Questions of Doubt and Difficulty may arise, as Points of Law well in respect of the Title of Parties applying for such Recompence or or other Dif-Satisfaction, as in respect of the Amount of the Compensation or Satist referred to the faction to be recovered, be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Person who shall sum up the Case to the Jury, to reserve Satisfaction of any Point of Law arising from such Inquiry, for the Consideration of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, upon Motion to be made in the same Court, in the same Manner as if such Point had been reserved by the Lord Chief Justice of the same Court, sitting at Nisi Prius; or in case either the Parties claiming such Recompence or Satisfaction as aforesaid, or the said Governors and Directors shall be dissatisfied with any Verdict given (except in the Case of a Verdict given upon a new Trial, had in Manner herein-after mentioned), and the Person who summed up the Case to the Jury shall certify under his Hand that it is a fit Case to move for a new Trial, it shall and may be lawful either for such Parties, or for the said Governors and Directors, upon producing such Certificate, verified by Affidavit, within the first Four Days of the Term next after such Trial, to move the faid Court of King's Bench for a new Trial in such Case; and thereupon it shall and may be lawful for the said Court, in either of such Cases, upon the Report of such Person, to hear and determine the same Point or Points; and the Determination that the said Court shall. make thereupon shall be specified and contained in a Rule of the same Court, and shall be transmitted to the said Governors and Directors, who shall give Judgement thereon accordingly; or it shall and may be lawful for the said Court to order and direct a new Trial to be had upon the Premises, either before the said Governors and Directors, or before the Lord Chief Justice or some other Judge of the same Court, in case the said Court shall think fit so to allow such Trial to be had at the Sittings for London or Middlesex, as the same Court shall think fit to order, subject to fuch Directions concerning the Costs of the First Trial, and the subfequent Proceedings, as the same Court shall think fit to give in that Behalf.

ference may be Court of King's Bench.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That in case such new Trial shall Directions for be ordered and directed to be had, then that all Matters and Things, Proceedings Clauses and Provisoes herein-before contained respecting the Proceedings previous to, upon, and after the faid First Trial, (except so far as the same may be altered by the Direction and Order of the said Court of King's Bench, and the Judgement to be given thereon), shall apply and extend to the Second Trial, to be had by the Direction and Order of the same Court, and the Proceedings previous to, upon, and after the same, as fully as if the same had been herein repeated and re-enacted.

whenever it shall amount to or exceed the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, with all convenient Speed, be paid into the Bank of England, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery to be placed to his Account there, exparte the Governors and Directors of the Poor of the Parish of Bermondsey, and the Person or Persons to whom such Lands or Hereditaments shall lielong; for by whom the same shall be claimed night the Intentitiat 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 faid Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, in the Redemption and Purchase of the Land Tax, or towards the Discharge of any Debt or Debts, or other Incumbrance or Part thereof, as the Court shall authorize to be paid affecting the same Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or affecting other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments settled therewith; to the like Uses, Intents, or Purposes; or where such Money shall not be so applied, then the same shall be said out and invested, under the like Directions and Approhation of the said Court, in the Purchase of other Lands. Tenements, and Hereditaments, and conveyed and settled to, for, and upon such and the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes, and in the same Manner as the Lands, Tenements, or 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 any such Conveyance and Settlement shall be existing, undetermined, and capable of taking Effect; and in the mean Time, and until such Purchase shall be so made, the faid Money shall, by Order of the said Court of Chancery, upon Application thereto by any of the Persons interested therein, be invested by the faid Accountant General in his Name, in the Purchase of Three Pounds per Centum Consolidated Annuities, or Three Pounds per Centum Reduced Annuities, payable at the Bank of England; and in the mean Time, and until the same shall be ordered by the said Court to be sold for the Purposes aforesaid, the Dividends and Annual Produce of the said Consolidated Annuities or Reduced Annuities, shall from Time to Time be paid by the Order of the faid Court to the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments so hereby and by the said herein-before recited Acts authorized or permitted to be purchased, in case such Purchase or Settlements were made.

If less than 2001, and equal to 201.

XLVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Money fo agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes aforesaid, and belonging to any Body or Bodies Politick, Corporation or Corporations, or other Person or Persons under any Disability or Incapacity as aforesaid, shall be less than the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, and shall exceed or be equal to the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then and in such Case the same shall, at the Option of the Person or Persons entitled for the Time being to the Rents and Prosits of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used, in respect whereof the same shall be paid, or of his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, in case of Infancy or Lunacy (such Option to be signified to the said Governors and Directors in Writing, under the respective Hands of the Persons claiming the same), be paid into the Bank of England, in the Name

Name and with the Privity of the said Accountant General of the said Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account there as herein-before mentioned, and be applied in Manner herein-before directed; or otherwise the same shall and may be paid at the like Option to Two Trustees, to be nominated by the Person or Persons making such Option, and approved of by the faid Governors and Directors, or any Five of them, (fuch Nomination and Approbation to be fignified in Writing under the Hands of the nominating and approving Parties), in order that such Principal Money, and the Dividends arising therefrom, may from Time to Time be applied in any Manner herein-before directed, so far as the Case may be applicable, without obtaining or being required to obtain the Direction or Approbation of the said Court of Chan-.cery.

XLIX. Provided also, and be it enacted, That where any Money so If under 201. agreed or awarded to be paid as aforesaid, shall be less than Twenty Pounds, then and in all fuch 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 Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes of this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, in such Manner as the said Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, shall think fit; or in case of Infancy or Lunacy, then to his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, Trustee or Trustees, or other Person or Persons acting as fuch, to and for the Use and Benefit of such Person or Persons so entitled respectively; and the Receipt and Receipts of the Person or Persons to whom the said Governors and Directors shall direct the same to be paid, shall be sufficient Discharges for the same.

L. And be it further enacted, That in case the Person or Persons to In case of whom any Sum or Sums of Money shall be awarded for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchased or taken by virtue of awarded, or this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, shall refuse to accept the same, or shall not be able to make a good Title to the Premises Titles, or if to the Satisfaction of the said Governors and Directors; or in case the Person or Persons intitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments be not known or discovered, then and in every or any such Case, it shall and may be lawful to and for the faid Governors and Directors, or any Five or paid into the more of them, to order the said Sum of Money so awarded as aforesaid, to be paid into the Bánk of England, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the faid High Court of Chancery, to the Credit of the Parties interested in the said Lands, Tenements, or 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 fummary Way of proceeding or otherwise, as to the same Court shall seem meet, to order and direct the same to be laid out and invested in the Public. Funds, and to order the faid Sum or Sums to be distributed, or the Dividends thereof to be paid to the Person or Persons making claim thereto, according to their respective Estate or Estates, Titles or Interest therein; and to make such further or other Order in the Premises as to the said Court shall seem just and reasonable; and the Cashier or Cashiers of the [Loc. & Per.] Bank

Refusal to accept Money not making out fusicient Owners cannot be found, the Eurchase Money to be

Bank of England, who shall receive such Sum or Sums of Money, is and are hereby required to give to the said Governors and Directors, or other Person or Persons paying the same on their Behalf, a Receipt or Receipts for the Amount thereof, mentioning and specifying therein to and upon what Account the same is so paid.

The Court may o der reasonable Expences to be paid by the Governors of

LI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That where, by reason of any Disability or Incapacity of the Person or Persons or Corporation entitled to any Lands, Tenements, or other Hereditaments to be purchased under the Authority of this or the said herein-before recited Acts, the Pur-Purchase vo. chase Money for the same shall be required to be paid into the said Court other Lands. of Chancery, and to be applied in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, other Lands. or Hereditaments, to be settled to the like Uses in pursuance of this Act, it shall and may be lawful to and 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 Governors and Directors, or their Treasurer, who shall, from Time to Time, pay such Sum and Sums of Money for such Purposes as the faid Court shall order and direct.

If any Question shall arise *touching the Title, the Ferfon in Posses. fion to be deemed intitled till the contrary Thewn.

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 said Court of Chancery, in pursuance of this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, for the Furchase of any Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, or of any Estate, Right or Interest in the same, to be purchased or taken in pursuance thereof, or to any Bank Annuities or other Securities to be purchased with any such Money, or to the Dividends or Interest arising therefrom, then and in such Case the Person or Persons who shall have been in Possession of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments at the Time of such Purchase, and all Per-Ions claiming under him, her, or them, or under his, her, or their Possession, shall be deemed and taken to have been lawfully intitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, according to such Possession, until the contrary shall be shewn to the Satisfaction of the said Court; and the Dividends or Interest of the Government Securities, by this Act or the said former Acts, directed to be purchased with such Money, and also the Capital Stock thereof, shall be paid, applied, and disposed of accordingly, unless it shall be made appear to the said Court that some other Person or Persons was or were lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or to some Estate or Interest therein.

Part of the Ground to be pur hafed to be la d into the S. éet.

IIII. And be it further enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Governors and Directors shall, and they are hereby required, so soon as the said Piece of Ground on the East Side of Bermondsey Street, in . the said Schedule mentioned, shall be in them vested, to throw into such Street not less than Twelve, Feet in Width of the West Side of the said Ground, the whole Length thereof from North to South, and not less than Six Feet in Width from East to West thereof, for the Purpose of making a commodious Foot Path on the Outside of the said Church-Yard, for such Lengths thereof as the same abuts on the said Street or Ways.

LIV. And

LIV. And be it further enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That from Old Paths to and after the said Path Way on the Outside of the said Church-Yard shall tinued. be widened and compleated in Manner aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for the said Governors and Directors to shut up and discontinue the Foot Path now leading through the said Church Yard from the North Side to the Street on the South Side thereof, and all other Paths leading through or over the said Church-Yard to any other Place whatsoever, to the end that each and every of fuch Paths shall no longer be used as such by any Person or Persons whomsoever: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or taken, or shall extend to prevent the Person and Persons now entitled to fuch Cart Way and Foot Ways to the Tenements at the East End of the said Church-Yard from the Use and Exercise of such Right and Rights until he, she, and they shall have relinquished the same to the faid Governors and Directors as herein-before mentioned.

LV. And whereas, by reason of the Purchases which the said Governors and Directors are hereby empowered to make, they may become possessed wanted for the of some Pieces of Land or Ground, or of some Messuage or Messuages, Tenements and Premises, over and above what may be necessary to be laid into the said Church-Yard, be it therefore further enacted, That in case the said Governors and Directors shall at any Time become possessed of any Ground, Messuage or Tenement, Messuages or Tenements, more than shall be necessary to be laid into the said Church-Yard, or such Ways thereto as therein-before mentioned, then and in every fuch Case, it shall and may be lawful for the said Governors and Directors, or any Five or more of them, to fell and dispose of any such Piece or Pieces of Land or Ground, Messuage or Messuages, Tenements and Premises, for such Term or Estate which they may have therein, to any Person or Persons whomsoever who shall be willing to contract for or purchase the same, and to execute any Conveyance or Conveyances thereof to the Purchaser or Purchasers; which Conveyance and Conveyances shall be adjudged sufficient to vest such Pieces or Parcels of Land or Ground, Messuage or Messuages, Tenements and Premises in the Purchaser or Purchasers thereof; and the Purchase Monies shall be applied by the said Governors and Directors for the Purposes of this and the faid recited Acts.

Pieces of Land not Church Yard to be refold.

LVI. Provided always, That the said Governors and Directors, before The Persons they sell and dispose of any such Land or Tenements, or any Part thereof, from whom purchased to shall first offer to resell the same to the Person or Persons from whom they be preserred. shall have purchased the same; and in case any Difference shall arise as to the Price at which the same shall be resold, then such Price shall be settled and adjusted by a Jury, to be summoned as in Cases of Purchases made by the faid Governors and Directors; and in case such Person or Persons shall not then and thereupon agree, or shall refuse and neglect to repurchase the same, or shall not signify his, her, or their Intention of repurchasing the same within Twenty-one Days after such Offer of Resale, then, and in every such Case, (an Affidavit being sworn before a Master or Master extraordinary of the High Court of Chancery, or before One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County of Surrey, by some competent Person or Persons, stating that such Offer was made by or on Behalf of the said Governors and Directors, and was not then and thereupon agreed to, or was refused by the Person or Persons to whom the same was so made)

shall in all Courts 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 it was made, as the Case may be.

To inclose the Church Yard.

LVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Governors and Directors shall and they are hereby required, as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act, to cause the present Church-Yard, with such additional Ground as shall or may be obtained for the Enlargement thereof, or so much thereof as may be necessary to be enclosed, with a good and fubflantial Brick Wall, or Brick Wall and Iron Railing, or other Fence, and to erect in such Manner as they shall think proper, either within or without the said Wall, or so as to make Part thereof a Building for receiving One or more Engines for the extinguishing of Fo build an Engine House, Fires; and also a small Dwelling House for the Residence of a Person or Persons to be by them appointed to keep the said Engine or Engines in good Order and Repair, and to take Care of and protect the said Burial Ground; and that the faid Governors and Directors shall and may by and with the Confent of the Rector of the said Parish for the Time being, make and build fuch Vaults, or other Conveniencies for the Interment of the Dead, within the faid Church-Yard and additional Ground, as they shall from Time to Time think necessary and proper; and when such additional Ground shall have been fenced in as aforefaid, and shall have been consecrated in like Manner as is in the said former Act mentioned, it shall and may be used for the Interment of the Dead; subject nevertheless to such Orders and Regulations respecting the Management thereof, as shall from Time to Time be made by the said Governors and Directors, so that such Orders and Regulations do not interfere with or lessen the settled Fees payable to the Rector of the faid Parilli, or to any other Person entitled to Fees for or on any Interment in fuch Church-Yard.

Fo build Vaults.

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-displace such

LVIII. Provided always, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Governors and Directors, whenever they shall think proper so to do, to displace and remove every or any fuch Person or Persons by them appointed for the Care of such Engine and Protection of such Burial Ground; and thereupon immediately, and without Process of Law, to put out and expel Tuch Person or Persons, and every of them, from and out of such Dwelling or Place of Residence; any Law or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

The Expences cout o' the Poors Rates.

LIX. And whereas it would tend to the saving of a considerable Expence, church Yard, if the Governors and Directors were empowered to apply a Part of the &c. to be paid Money collected or to be collected by virtue of the Rates or Assessments made or to be made for the Purposes of the said herein-before recited Acts, for and towards the Purposes of this Act; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the said Governors and Directors, and they are hereby required from Time to Time, to pay and apply out of the Rates or Assessments made or to be made for the Relief of the Poor of the said Parish, and other the Purposes in the said herein-before recited Acts mentioned, all such Sum and Sums of Money as shall or may from Time to Time be necessary for carrying into Execution this Act; any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary notwichstanding.

LX. Provided

LX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Go- A separate vernors and Directors shall, and they are hereby required from Time kept of the to Time, and at all Times to keep or cause to be kept a distinct and Expenditure. separate Account of all Sum and Sums of Money by them paid, applied, and expended under or by virtue of this Act; which Account shall and may at all Times be inspected by any Inhabitant or Inhabitants paying to the Church and Poor, without Fee or Reward; and that all future Repairs of the faid Church and Church-Yard, shall after Leave or Permission of the Lord Bishop of Winchester, for that Purpose first obtained, be performed under the Direction and subject to the Controul of the said Governors and Directors.

LXI. And be it further enacted, That in case any Rate or Assess inment, Rates or Assessments by the said herein-before recited Acts, or power tomake either of them, directed to be made, shall at any Time be found in a separate sufficient for carrying into Execution the Purposes of this and the said Kate. herein-before recited Acts, then it shall be lawful for the said Governors and Directors, and they are hereby required, to make a separate, distinct and special Rate for the Purposes of this Act; which Rate shall be made and allowed according to the like Rules and Regulations as, in the said herein-before recited Acts mentioned, respecting the Rates thereby directed to be made, and shall and may be collected, levied, and recovered by fuch and the like Powers, and with the like Remedies as in this or the faid herein-before recited Acts are given or mentioned for Recovery of the Rates by the faid recited Acts, or either of them, directed to be made, and subject to the like Remedies by Appeal.

LXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Go- The Proporvernors and Directors shall, and they are hereby required, at the Time and respective Times of making each and every Rate for the Relief of the Poor Purposes of of the said Parish, and for other the Purposes in this or the said herein-before recited Acts mentioned, to specify and declare in the Title of the Rates, the the Title. Sum or Proportion of the Assessments made therein for or on account of the Church and Church Yard.

tion of the Rates for the this Act, to be expressed in

LXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for To raise the faid Governors and Directors, and they are hereby empowered, to bor-Money on Bonds or row and take up at Interest, or by way of Annuity or Annuities for Lives, Annuities. for the Purposes of enclosing the said Church-Yard, and the compleating the Improvements by this Act directed to be made, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the Whole the Sum of Five thousand Pounds; and that in case the same shall be advanced otherwise than by way of Annuity or Annuities, then that each Bond, Warrant, or other Security shall be Bonds to be made fo the Sum of One hundred Pounds and Interest, and no more; for 1001. each, and that the Principal Money so secured by Bonds or Warrant, shall be paid and discharged by the said Governors and Directors by Yearly Instalments, or Payments of Five Pounds each, together with the Interest due on the Money so advanced, or such Part thereof as shall from Time to Tobe dif-Time remain unpaid, such Instalments and Interest to be made on the 29th scharged by Day of September yearly, and without any Preference whatsoever; which said Bonds or Warrants shall and may be in the Form or to the Effect following; that is to fay,

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rant.

- Bond or War. WE, whose Hands and Seals are hereunto subscribed and set, being Five or more of the Governors and Directors of the Poor of the
 - ⁶ Parish of Saint Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey, in f pursuance of an Act of Parliament made in the
 - Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the Third, inti-
 - 'tuled, An Act [here set forth the Title of this Act,] in Consideration of the Sum of One hundred Pounds advanced and lent by A. B. of to the Governors and Directors of the Poor
 - of the said Parish upon the Credit and for the Purposes of the said Act,
 - do hereby charge and make liable the Rates or Assessments made or to
 - be made for the Purposes of the said Act, or any the Acts therein recited,
 - with the Repayment of the said Sum of One hundred Pounds with law-
 - 'ful Interest for the same, to be paid to the said A. B.
 - * Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, by Instalments or Annual Pay-
 - e ments of Five Pounds, together with Interest at the Rate of
 - e per Centum per Annum on the said Principal Sum of One hundred Founds, or so much thereof as shall from Time to Time remain due on
 - 'the Twenty-ninth Day of September yearly; the First Payment to be made
 - on the Twenty-ninth Day of September next enfuing. In Witness
 - whereof we have hereunto set our Hands and Seals, the
 - in the Year of our Lord • Day of

And every such Bond or Warrant shall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law, for the Purposes thereby intended.

Or to raise the Money by Annuities.

LXIV. Provided always, That in case the said Governors and Directors shall think it adviseable to raise all or any Part of the Money necessary for the Purposes of this A&t, by the granting of Annuities for Lives, then it shall be lawful for the said Governors and Directors, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to raife, by Way of Annuity or Annuities, in the Manner by the said herein-before recited Act of the Thirty first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty directed, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the Whole the Sum of Five thousand Pounds, to be secured on and payable out of the Rates to be made in pursuance of this or the said recited Acts, in such and the like Manner as the Annuities by the said last herein-before recited Act are thereby permitted or directed to be made, or as near thereto as Circumstances will permit, and with such and the like Remedies for the Recovery thereof.

Fees to the Rector and Churchwardens on Interments.

LXV. And be it further enacted, That the Rector of the Church of the said Parish, and the Churchwardens, Sexton, and other Officers for the Time being, belonging to the said Church, shall respectively, from Time to Time have, take, and enjoy the like Funeral Rates, Dues, Fees, Rights, Privileges, and Profits from or in respect of the Burials within such additional Burial Ground, by this or the said herein-before recited Acts directed to be obtained, as now are due and payable, or belong to such Rector, Churchwardens, Sexton, and other Officers, for or in respect of Burials within the ancient Burial Ground of the said Parish, and also to such other Rates, Dues, Fees, Rights, Privileges, and Profits, as may at any lime hereafter be ordered and settled by the said Rector and Governors and Directors, and allowed by the Lord-Bishop of Winchester for the Time being, to be taken, due, and payable, or to be taken and exercised in respect thereof. LXVI. And

- LXVI. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of Directors to this Act, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Governors and Di- sees. rectors, by and with the Assent of the Rector of the said Parish Church for the Time being, to ascertain and settle a Table of Rates, Dues, and Fees to be from Time to Time taken and paid to the Rector, Churchwardens, and other Officers, in respect of any Burials in the said Church Yard, or any Ground to be added thereto by virtue of this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, which said Fees and Dues being allowed by the Lord Bishop of Winchester, shall and may be recovered by the said Governors and Directors in such Manner as any other Fines, Penalties, Sum or Sums of Money, are by this or the faid recited Acts, or either of them, directed to be recovered.

LXVII. And be it further enacted, That all Fees and Dues payable Application to the Rector of the said Parish Church for the Time being, shall be, of Fees. and the same are to him hereby reserved; and that all Fees and Dues payable to the Churchwarden of the said Parish, in respect of the Ground and Bells used on the Death or Burial of the Dead, or for the erecting or placing any Tomb or Monument within the said Church or Church-yard, or upon any Ground to be added thereto, shall be paid to such Churchwarden for the Time being, and shall be by him applied in Discharge of the reasonable Salaries to be allowed to the Sexton, Organist, and other Servants of the said Church and Church-yard, as heretofore accustomed, and the Residue (if any) shall yearly be paid to the said Gowernors and Directors, for the Purposes of this and the said herein-before recited Acts.

LXVIII. And be it further enacted, That neither the faid Governors and Inhabitants to Directors, or any of them, or any Inhabitant of the said Parish, shall, in be Witnesses. any Action, Profecution, Information, Cause, Hearing, Examination, or other Proceeding whatfoever, relating to or concerning the Execution of this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, or concerning the said Parish, be deemed an incompetent Witness, by reason of his or their being such Governor and Director, or his, her, or their being such Inhabitant as aforesaid, or his or her being charged with or liable to pay any Rate or Assessment to be raised, levied, and collected by virtue of this or the faid recited Acts.

LXIX. And be it further enacted, That all and every Churchwarden Churchwarand Churchwardens of the said Parish for the Time being shall Yearly and dens to acevery Year, within Three Calendar Months next after the Expiration of Governors for or Discharge from his or their Office or Offices, make up and deliver to Fees, &c. the said Governors and Directors a true, faithful, and perfect Account in Writing, under his or their Hand or Hands, upon Oath, if so required, (such Oath to be administered as in the said secondly herein-before recited Act is directed) of all Sum or Sums of Money collected or received by fuch Churchwarden or Churchwardens, or any Person or Persons by them appointed for or on Account of any Rate or Rates, Dues, Fees, Donations, or otherwise, as such Churchwarden or Churchwardens, or on their Account, and of all Monies by such Churchwarden or Churchwardens disbursed or expended in the Execution of such Office, and shall deliver up all Books and Papers relating thereto to the said Governors and Directors, and shall duly pay to the said Governors and Directors, or their Treasurer,

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Treaturer, all Sum and Sums of Money remaining in the Hands of Juch Churchwardens after such Disbursements or Payments thereout as aforefaid; and that the said Governors and Directors shall, on the Audit of fuch Accounts, allow unto fuch Churchwarden and Churchwardens all fair and reasonable Expences in the Execution of such Office, and any Balance or Balances found due by or from the said Churchwarden or Churchwardens, and every of them, shall be paid and recoverable in like Manner and with the like Forfeiture and Punishment as is by the said herein-before recited Acts or either of them declared and provided.

Wault or Grav s o be remained by Gover re,

LXX. And whereas many Vaults, Graves, and Grave Stones in the faid Parish have, from the Neglect, Poverty, or Inattention of the Person or Persons at whose Expence the same were made, built or set up, or of to general Ule. their Kindred or Representatives, been suffered to go into great Decay, and to be in a very ruinous Condition, and other Vaults or Graves may hereafter be suffered to run into a like State of Decay, for Remedy whereof be it enacted, That in all Cases in which any Vault or Grave in the faid Church Yard, or any Part thereof, shall be found in Decay, the faid Governors and Directors shall cause a Notice in Writing to be affixed on the Church Door of the said Parish, or on the principal Gate leading into the said Church Yard, therein describing the Situation and decayed Condition of such Vault or Grave, with the Name or Names of the Perfon or Persons inscribed on any such Tomb or Monument as being last interred therein, in case such Name or Names can be read, and in such Notice to require the Person or Persons claiming such Vault or Grave, or any peculiar Right thereto, in case he, she, or they shall think sit to repair and make good the same within Three Calendar Months from the Day such Notice shall be affixed; and in case such Vault or Grave, Vaults or Graves shall not be repaired by the Person or Persons claiming the same within the Time in such Notice limited for that Purpose, it shall be lawful for the said Governors and Directors to repair and make up such Vault or Vaults, Grave or Graves, so decayed, and thereupon to permit the Corpse of any other Person or Persons to be deposited or interred therein, any Law or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Wirectors may ecompound fer keepi g Vauks in repair.

LXXI. Provided also, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Governors and Directors to compound, either by the Year or otherwise, with any Person or Persons interested in the several Vaults, Graves, or Grave Stones, or claiming so to be, for the amending and keeping the same in Repair, and from and after any fuch Composition so paid, the said Vaults; Graves, and Grave Stones, shall be supported, amended, and kept in Repair by the said Governors and Directors.

Pe alty on Perfon damilits, Xc.

LXXII. And be it enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Perand sing went fon or Performs shall wilfally break, throw down, or otherwise damage. a y Tomb or Monument erected, placed, or set up, or to be erected, placed, or fet up in the said Church Yard, or any Rails thereto affixed, or the Rails, Doors, Gates, Walls, or Fences of or belonging to the faid Church Yard, it shall be lawful for any One or more Justice or Justices of the l'eace for the said County of Surrey, or for any One or more Magi-Atrate or Magistrates of the County, City, or Place wherein such Person or Persons so offending shall reside or be, and such Justice or Justices, Magistrate or Magistrates, is and are hereby required, upon Oath being

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made by One or more credible Witness or Witnesses before him or them, of the Commission of any such Offence, to issue a Warrant or Warrants for apprehending the Person or Persons accused thereof; or it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons who shall see any such Offence committed, to apprehend, and also for any other Person or Persons to assist in apprehending such Offender or Offenders, and by the Authority of this Act, and without any other Warrant, to convey him, her, or them, before any fuch Justice of the Peace for the said County of Surrey, or to deliver him, her, or them into the Custody of any Constable or other Peace Officer, in order to be secured and conveyed before such Justice of the Peace, to be dealt with as herein-after is directed; and the Person or Persons so accused being brought before any such Justice or Justices, Magistrate or Magistrates, or who being duly summoned to appear, shall neglect so to do, the said Justice or Justices, Magistrate or Magistrates, shall and may, either on the Confession of the Person or Persons so offending, or on Proof of such Offence, by the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, convict fuch Offender or Offenders of the said Offence or Offences, and order or adjudge him, her, or them to forfeit and pay any Sum of Money not exceeding Five Pounds, and not less than Forty Shillings for each and every fuch Offence, together with the Expences and Charges of repairing and making good the Damage by him, her, or them occasioned or committed, which Expences and Charges shall be ascertained by the said Justtice or Magistrate, Justices or Magistrates, in and by the said Conviction, one Moiety of the said Forfeiture to to be paid to the Informer or Informers, and the other Moiety, together with the said Expences and Charges, to be paid to the said Governors and Directors, or their Treasurer, which last Moiety is to be by them applied for the Purposes of this Act, and the faid Expences and Charges to go to the repairing and making good fuch Damages as shall, by such Offender or Offenders, have been occasioned or committed; and in case such Ossender or Ossenders shall not, upon fuch Conviction, pay such Forfeiture, together with the Expences and Charges so adjudged, such Justice or Justices, Magistrate or Magistrates, is and are hereby required to commit such Offender and Offenders to the House of Correction, there to be kept to hard Labour, for any Time not exceeding Three Calendar Months, unless such Forseiture, Expences, and Charges shall be sooner paid.

LXXIII. And be it further enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Recognizance and Recognizances entered into by any Person or Persons on any Appeal against the Rates or Assessments by this or the said recited Acts, or either of them, directed to be made, shall be delivered on Demand to the Clerk to the said Governors and Directors, by the Justice or Justices who shall have taken the same; and that the said Governors and Directors shall and may sue for, recover, and receive the Penalty and Penalties in any such Recognizance or Recognizances mentioned, in such and the same Manner as any Rate, Penalty, or Fine may be sued for and recovered by virtue of this or the said recited Acts, or either of them.

Justices of the Peace to de-. liver Recognizances to the Governors.

LXXIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall Punishment of steal, take, carry away, or remove any Iron Rail or Rails, or any ing Iron Rails Lead, Iron, or other Metal fastened to or in anywise belonging or appertaining to any Monument or Tomb in the said Church Yard, every Person

or Persons so offending, and being thereof lawfully convicted, shall be deemed and taken to be a Felon, and subject and liable to the like Pains and Penalties as if convicted of Felony; and the Court by or before whom such Person or Persons shall be tried and convicted, shall have Power and Authority to cause such Person or Persons to be punished in like Manner as Persons convicted of Felony are directed to be punished by the Laws and Statutes of this Realm, or in Mitigation of such Punishment may award such Sentence as the Law directs in Cases of Petty Larceny; and that in all Indictments or Prosecutions for any of the Offences in this or the said recited Acts, or either of them mentioned, it shall be sufficient to lay the Thing or Things therein alledged to have been feloniously taken, to be the Property of the said Governors and Directors, or some Person or Persons unknown.

Form of Conviction.

LXXV. And be it enacted, That in all Cases where any Person or Persons shall be convicted of any Offence committed against this or the herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, it shall be sufficient, if the Conviction is in the Form or to the Effect following:

BE it remembered, That on the Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord, &c. A.B. is convicted before [me or us] [one or two, &c.] of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of virtue of an Act passed in the Year of the Reign of King George the Third, intituled, An Act [here set forth the Title of this Act] for that he the said A. B. did on the Day of in the [here state the Offence] by • Year of our Lord reason whereof [I or we] do hereby adjudge the said A. B. to have forfeited [if the Offender is to be fined] the Sum of [insert the Penalty] together with the Sum of for Costs and Charges sif any ' given [or, if to be imprisoned, then] do adjudge the said A.B. to be committed to the [naming the Gaol] for the Space of [insert the Time, and ' if the Commitment be for Non-payment of a Penalty, then add] unless the shall be sooner paid. Given under my faid Sum of or our] Hand and Seal [or, Hands and Seals] the Day and Year above written.

Governors
may make Bye
Laws for their
Regulations.

LXXVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Governors and Directors, at any General or Special Meeting or Meetings to be held as in the said herein-before recited Acts, or one of them, is mentioned, to make, ordain, and constitute such and so many Bye-laws, Rules, and Ordinances, as to them shall seem meet and convenient for the better carrying into Execution and executing this and the said recited Acts, so far as relates to the said Governors and Directors, their Officers and Servants, and from Time to Time to alter, change, revoke, repeal, or make void the same, as often as they the said Governors and Directors, or the major Part of them, when duly assembled, shall judge necessary and expedient, and to impose and inflict such reasonable Fines and Forfeitures upon all or any of the Governors and Directors, Officer or Officers, Clerk, or other Persons by them employed, who shall offend against the same, not exceeding Ten Shillings for one Offence, as to the said Governors and Directors, or the major Part of them, when so assembled, shall seem meet, such Fines and Forfeitures to be levied and recovered

covered as any other Fine or Forfeiture is by this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, directed to be levied and recovered, which said Bye Laws, Rules, and Ordinances shall be reduced into Writing, and signed by the said Governors and Directors, or any Five of them, and shall be binding upon and be observed by the said Governors and Directors, and their Officers and Servants, so as the same be not contrary to the Provisions and Directions in this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or to the Laws of that Part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called England.

LXXVII. Provided always, That in case any such Governor or Direc- Power of tor, Officer or Servant, or other Person or Persons whomsoever, shall con- Appeal. sider himself or herself aggrieved by any such Bye-Law or Laws, or any Fine or Penalty inflicted on him or her by or in respect thereof, or under the Authority of this Act, then and in such Case he, she, or they shall be entitled to fuch and the like Appeal against the same as in the said former Acts is permitted to be made against any Rate or Assessment made or to be made by the said Governors and Directors, such Appellants conforming to the Directions in the said herein-before recited Acts contained, respecting Appeals against the said Rates.

LXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons Punishment shall wilfully and corruptly give false Evidence in any Examination, Trial, for giving false Inquiry, or other Matter or Thing to be heard or determined by virtue of this or the said herein-before recited Acts, or either of them, or where, in pursuance of this or the said recited Acts, or either of them, any Oath or Affirmation is required to be taken, each and every such Person and Perfons so offending, and being thereof duly convicted, shall be, and he, she, and they is and are hereby declared to be subject and liable to such Pains and Penalties as Persons guilty of wilful and corrupt Perjury are by Law subject or liable to.

LXXIX. And be it further enacted, That all the Provisions, Powers, Clauses in Articles, Clauses, Impositions, Distributions of Penalties, and Powers of former Acts Recovery thereof, and all other Matters and Things in the said herein- not herebybefore recited Acts, or either of them, contained and prescribed, and not tended to this hereby repealed, varied, or altered, shall be and continue in full Force Act. and Effect, and shall be applied and extended to this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes as if the same were severally and respectively again herein repeated or re-enacted.

LXXX. And be it further enacted, That all the Charges and Expences Expences of incident to the obtaining or passing of this Act shall be paid by the said the Act to be Governors and Directors out of the Monies in their Hands, or in the Rates. Hands of their Treasurer for the Time being, raised or to be raised for the Purposes of this or the said recited Acts, or either of them, as soon as convenient after the passing of this Act.

LXXXI. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and public Act. 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.

The SCHEDULE referred to by this Act.

- A Piece of Ground on the East Side of Bermondsey Street, Part of the Estate of the Trustees named in the Will of the Rev. Thomas Hambly deceased, and now held by the Governors of the Poor, under a Lease in the secondly-recited Act mentioned.
- Another Piece of Ground, with the Building over the same, belonging to the said Trustees, and now used as a Charity School, in order to continue the same for the like Purpose.
- A Piece of Ground on the South Side of the Church Yard, in the Possession of William Darnell Esquire.
- A long Slip of Ground on the South Side of the said Church Yard, Part of the Estate of William Smith Esquire, in the Occupation of the said William Darnell.
- Two Timber Messuages, with the Ground thereto belonging, at the East End of the said Church Yard, in the Occupation of John Philips and Daniel Law.
- A Piece of Ground, with the Buildings thereon, on the North Side of Abbey Street, in the Occupation of Benjamin Critchett.
- A Way or Passage over Abbey Street, from the West End to the Dwelling House of the said Benjamin Critchett.
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