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GEORGII IV. REGIS.

Cap. cxxiii.

An Act to repeal Two Acts, respectively of the Thirty-second and Thirty-sixth Years of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, for the better Relief and Employment of the Poor of the *Montgomery* and *Pool* United District, and to provide new Powers and Regulations in lieu thereof. [10th June 1825.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Thirty-second Year of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for the better Relief and Employment of the Poor belonging to the Parishes of Montgomery and Pool, and certain other Parishes and Places therein mentioned, in the Counties of Montgomery and Salop, the Parish of Montgomery, the Parish of Pool (except the Township of Cyfronydd), the Parishes of Berriew, Llandyssil, Llanmerewig, and Forden, the Townships of Cletterwood and Hope in the Parish of Buttington, the Townships of Leighton and Trelystan in the Parish of Wolston Nyend otherwise Wolstonmine, the Township of Aston in the Parish of Lydbam, the Township of Castlewright in the Parish of Mainstone, all in the County of Montgomery; the Parishes of Worthin and Chirbury in the County of Salop, and the Parish of Churchstoke in the Counties of Montgomery and Salop,* were united and formed into one entire District for the better Relief and

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Employment of the Poor thereof; and certain Persons described in the said Act were incorporated by the Name of "The Guardians of the Poor" of the Parishes of *Montgomery* and *Pool*, and the Parishes, Chapelries, and Townships united therewith, in the Counties of *Montgomery* and *Salop*;" and such Persons were made Guardians of the Poor of the said United District, and certain of the said Guardians were appointed Directors of the said Corporation, and divers Provisions, Regulations, and Powers were made, established, and given for effecting the Purposes of the said Act: And whereas by an Act passed in the Thirty-sixth Year of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act for rendering effectual an Act of the Thirty-second Year of His present Majesty, for the better Relief and Employment of the Poor of the Parishes of Montgomery and Pool, and the Places united therewith, in the Counties of Montgomery and Salop*, divers other Provisions, Regulations, and Powers were also made, established, and given for the same Purposes: And whereas by virtue of the said Acts certain Lands and Easements have been duly purchased for and conveyed and granted unto and to the Use of the said Corporation and their Successors for ever, and certain Buildings have been duly erected on the said Lands, and fitted up and furnished for the Purposes of the said Acts, which Buildings are now called *The Montgomery and Pool House of Industry*, and a certain Part of the said purchased Land has been enclosed, set apart, and consecrated as and for a Burial Ground, according to the Provisions of the said recited Acts: And whereas by virtue and under the Authority of the said recited Acts, and for defraying the Expences thereof, several Sums of Money have been raised by borrowing and taking up at Interest on Mortgages and otherwise, and by granting an Annuity: And whereas the said House of Industry hath ever since the Month of *March* in the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five been and yet is occupied and used in and for the receiving, setting to work, employing, and maintaining the Poor of the said United District, and is intended to be so continued; but it is expedient that some of the Provisions of the said recited Acts should be altered, and new Provisions made for the better Government and Regulation of the said Corporation, and the more effectual Attainment of the Purposes of the said Acts, and that all the Powers, Provisions, Clauses, and Regulations for those Purposes should be reduced into one Law: May it please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the First Day of *October* in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, the said Two recited Acts shall be and the same are hereby repealed; and that immediately thereupon, and thenceforth for ever, the aforesaid Parishes and Townships of *Montgomery*, *Pool* (except the said Township of *Cyfronydd*), *Berriew*, *Llandyssil*, *Llanmerewig*, *Forden*, *Cletterwood*, *Hope*, *Leighton*, *Trelystan*, *Worthin*, *Chirbury*, *Churchstoke*, *Aston*, and *Castlewright*, shall be, continue, and remain one incorporated, entire, and united District for the Purposes of this Act, and shall be and be called *The Montgomery and Pool United District*; and that thenceforth for ever all Persons for the Time being inhabiting within the said District, and assessed to the Relief of the Poor of any Place therein, and seised or possessed in the Right of themselves or their Wives respectively of Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Tithes, or other Hereditaments, either in Fee or for Life, or for the

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repealed.

the Term of Ten Years or more, either absolute or determinable with any Life or Lives, of the yearly Value of Thirty Pounds or more; and also all Persons for the Time being inhabiting in the said District, and assessed to the Relief of the Poor for or in respect of any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Tithes, or other Hereditaments within the same District of the annual Value of Fifteen Pounds or more; and also all Persons for the Time being inhabiting within the said District, and assessed to the Relief of the Poor of any Place therein, and possessed of a Personal Estate of Five hundred Pounds or more, shall be and continue in Fact and in Name One Body Corporate and Politic in Law to all Intents and Purposes, and shall be and be called *The Guardians of the Poor of the Montgomery and Pool United District*, and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession and a Common Seal, with Power to make Bye Laws, and be able to sue, plead, and implead, and be sued and impleaded in all Courts and Places whatsoever, and without Licence in Mortmain to purchase, take, or receive any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, not exceeding in annual Value the Sum of Fifty Pounds, of the Gift, Alienation, or Demise of any Person or Persons, or any Body or Bodies Corporate, Politic, or Collegiate, for any Estate or Interest whatsoever, and to grant, alien, convey, assign, or dispose of any such Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, to any Person or Persons, or Body or Bodies Corporate, Politic, or Collegiate, as there shall be Occasion, subject to the Provisions and Regulations of this Act.

II. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation of Guardians hereby created shall for the Purposes of this Act, and subject to the Provisions thereof, be entitled to, and have, hold, possess, and enjoy for ever the said House of Industry, and the said Lands and Easements so purchased, granted, and conveyed as aforesaid, subject to the Rent, Reservations, and Covenants in the Grants or Conveyances thereof specified and contained respectively, and all other the Lands and Hereditaments, Goods and Chattels, Choses in Action, Credits, and legal and equitable Demands of or vested in or belonging to the said now existing Corporation for the Purposes of this Act, and shall, as well in Law as in Equity, be subject and liable to and to the Payment, Satisfaction, Discharge, Observance, and Performance of all Mortgages, Grants of Annuities, Bonds, Bills, Assurances, Covenants, Agreements, and Undertakings made or entered into by the said present Corporation, and of and to all Debts due from, and all legal and equitable Demands on the said Corporation, as fully as the said Corporation would be in case this Act had not been passed.

Corporation to have the House of Industry, Lands, Goods, &c. and continue liable to the present Debts, &c.

III. And be it further enacted, That all and every of the Mortgages, Grants of Annuities, Assignments, Conveyances, Assurances, Bills, Bonds, Covenants, Acts, Deeds, Orders, and Directions made, or which during the Continuance of the said recited Acts shall be made by the Guardians and Directors, or any of them, or by their Officers or other Persons respectively, shall be and remain as good and valid as they would have been if this Act had not been passed; and all Rights of every Person and Persons who is, are, or shall be interested therein or affected thereby, shall be and remain unaltered and unaffected by or in consequence of this Act, except so far only as they or any of them respectively is, are, or shall be hereby altered, varied, or otherwise necessarily affected.

Acts, &c. of former or present Guardians, Directors, &c. not invalidated.

IV. And

Books, &c.
under former
Acts to be
Evidence.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all and every Book and Books containing the Accounts and Proceedings of the Guardians and Directors in the Execution of the said recited Acts, or either of them, or containing any Orders or Agreements made and entered into by them, and made Evidence thereby, shall and may be given in Evidence in all Cases of Appeal, and in all Prosecutions, Suits, and Actions whatsoever, in such and the same Manner as if the said recited Acts, or either of them, had not been repealed.

Monies,
Books, &c.
to be paid to
Directors.

V. And be it further enacted, That all Persons who are or have been employed, or who have received any Money on account of the said Corporation, or who have or shall have in their Custody or Possession any Money, Books, Papers, Writings, or other Things relating to the said Corporation, shall account for and pay and deliver over the same, and every Part thereof, to the Directors acting by virtue of this Act, in like Manner, and under the like Penalties and Punishments, and subject to the like Powers of Recovery, as are herein-after enacted with respect to Officers not accounting.

Poor Books
and Writings
to remain at
House of
Industry.

VI. And be it further enacted, That all Certificates of Settlement, Bonds, and other Securities, Deeds, Writings, Books, Rates, Accounts, and other Evidences, which in pursuance of or obedience to the said recited Acts, or either of them, have been or which during the Continuance of the said recited Acts shall be given or delivered to the said Corporation or Directors, or their Clerk, and deposited and kept at the said House of Industry, shall remain and be kept there with the Books, Papers, and Writings of or belonging to the said Corporation, for the Preservation thereof, and shall be open at all seasonable Times to the Inspection of all Persons who are or shall be entitled to inspect the same.

Overseers
may sue on
the Securities.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the Certificates of Settlement and Bonds, and other Securities in Bastardy, which have been or shall be so as aforesaid given to or received or taken by or for the said Corporation, or deposited at the said House of Industry, shall be and remain Securities for the Indemnity, Relief, and Benefit, as well of the Inhabitants of the different Places in the said United District, as of the said Corporation; and it shall be lawful for the Overseers of the Poor of any of the said Places to sue on such Bonds or other Securities for any Breach thereof, or Damages thereon happening or arising to such Places respectively, after the Repeal of the said recited Acts, and to recover the Penalties thereof, or Satisfaction for such Damages, for the Use of the Inhabitants of the said Places respectively.

Guardians
to swear to
their Quali-
fications.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That every Guardian shall, if required, before he or she shall act as such, deliver in at a Court or Assembly of Guardians, to be holden as herein-after directed, an Account in Writing under his or her Hand, and verified on his or her Oath; or being one of the People called *Quakers* on his or her solemn Affirmation, before any Three Guardians there present, or One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for either of the said Counties of *Montgomery* and *Salop*, or of the Boroughs of *Montgomery* and *Pool* in the said County of *Montgomery*, of his or her Qualification, and (if it does not arise from a Personal Estate) in

in what Parish, Division, Township or Place, or Parishes, Divisions, Townships or Places, the same is or respectively are situated; and that every or any Female Guardian may act or vote at every or any of the Courts or Assemblies of the said Guardians by a Proxy or Substitute appointed or nominated in Writing under her Hand from amongst the other Guardians, and may from Time to Time revoke such Nomination and name another Guardian instead, but no one shall be Proxy or Substitute for more than One Woman at the same Time.

Female Guardians may vote by Proxy.

IX. And be it further enacted, That the present Directors of the Poor of the said United District, and the present Clerk to the said Guardians, and the present Chaplain, Governor, and other Officers of or in the said House of Industry, except the Treasurer, and save and except as herein-after excepted, shall continue in their said Offices until the First *Wednesday* in *October* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and thence until other Persons shall be elected in their Stead respectively; and that upon and after the said First *Wednesday* in *October* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, there shall be for ever Twenty-four of the most able, discreet, and proper of the said Guardians, elected in manner herein-after specified, who shall be and be called *Directors of the Poor of the Montgomery and Pool United District*, and certain other Persons herein-after mentioned, who shall be and be called *Honorary Directors of the Poor of the Montgomery and Pool United District*, and certain other Persons, to be appointed as herein-after directed, who shall be Treasurer and Clerk of or to the said Guardians and Directors, and Chaplain, Governor, Steward, and Matron of the said House of Industry, and such other Officer or Officers, and Servant or Servants, as the Directors for the Time being shall from Time to Time think proper.

Present Directors and Officers to continue till succeeded by others.

X. And be it further enacted, That within the First Seven Days in *September* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and thenceforth within the First Seven Days in *September* in every future Year for ever, Vestries shall be holden for each Parish, Division, and Township in the said United District, at the usual Places for holding Vestries respectively, except as to *Aston* and *Castlewright*, and for those Two Townships (which for this Purpose shall be deemed one District or Place) a Vestry shall be holden in *Aston* the said First Time, and in *Castlewright* the said Second Time, and so on alternately; and each of the said Vestries shall nominate, as fit and proper Persons to serve the Office of Director of the Poor of the said United District, Three of the most able and discreet Guardians then residing in the Place for which such Vestry shall be holden, and not exempted by Law from serving that Office; and if in any of the said Places there shall not be so many such Persons, then so many shall be nominated as shall be therein; and if any Person who shall be so nominated shall die, become disqualified as Guardian, or remove out of the Place for which he shall be nominated before the End of the then current Year, then and so often a Vestry shall be holden without delay for the said Place, and if for *Aston* and *Castlewright* then for those Townships at the Place at which the last preceding Vestry was held, and another proper Person shall be there nominated in like Manner as afore-said to supply such Vacancy; but no Person who shall at the Time of any such Nomination be above the Age of Sixty-five Years, or who shall have duly served the Office of Director for and during the full Term of

Vestries annually to name Persons fit to be Directors, and to supply Vacancies in the Direction.

Two Years, and shall have gone out of Office within Three Years next before the Time of such Nomination, shall be nominated, without his Consent previously given in Writing under his Hand, if another proper Person can be found in the Parish or Place in which he shall then reside.

No Churchwarden, &c. ineligible, and certain Non-residents may with Consent be nominated.

XI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Churchwarden, Chapelwarden, or other Overseer of the Poor of any Place in the said United District, shall as such be deemed exempted from or ineligible for such Nomination; and that it shall be lawful for the said Vestries, or any of them holden as aforesaid for any of the said Places respectively, to nominate in lieu and stead of any such Inhabitant as aforesaid any proper Person residing elsewhere within the said United District, who shall previously signify his Consent thereto in Writing under his Hand, and who shall then be seised of a Real Estate, either in Fee or for Life, or possessed of a Leasehold Estate for a Term of Twenty-one Years or upwards, either absolute or determinable on a Life or Lives, of the yearly Value of Sixty Pounds or upwards, situated within the said United District, or be assessed to the Relief of the Poor for or in respect of any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Tithes, or other Hereditaments therein, of the yearly Value of Eighty Pounds or upwards.

Overseers to transmit Lists of the Persons nominated.

XII. And be it further enacted, That the respective Overseers of the Poor of the several Places in the said United District shall give Notice for and hold Vestries for their respective Districts for the Purposes aforesaid, and shall make out proper Lists of the said Persons so there respectively nominated, and shall sign the said Lists for their said Places respectively, and deliver the same with the said Consents (if any) thereto annexed to the Clerk of the said Directors or his Substitute at the next following Weekly Board of Directors herein-after appointed, or immediately on the opening of the Second Weekly Board of Directors after every such Nomination; and in Default thereof every Overseer so neglecting shall for every such Neglect forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Two Pounds.

Guardians to elect the First new Directors.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That the Guardians assembled at their First Court, to be holden at the Time and Place herein-after directed, shall elect Twenty-four of the most able and discreet Guardians to be Directors of the Poor of the said United District in the Proportions following; (that is to say), Three for each of the said Parishes of *Berriew*, *Chirbury*, and *Worthin*, Two for the said Parish of *Forden*, Two for the Middle Division of the said Parish of *Pool*, One for each of the Upper and Lower Divisions of the same Parish, One for each of the said Parishes of *Montgomery*, *Llandyssil*, and *Llanmerewig*, One for the Townships of *Cletterwood* and *Hope*, One for the said Townships of *Leighton* and *Trelystan*, One for the Townships of *Brompton* and *Rhiston* (being the *Shropshire* Part of the said Parish of *Churchstoke*), Two for the *Montgomeryshire* Part (being the remaining Part) of the same Parish, and One for the said Townships of *Aston* and *Castlewright*; and each of the said Persons so elected Directors shall be and continue a Director until another shall be duly elected and sworn in his Stead, or he shall become disqualified therein or be discharged therefrom as herein-after provided.

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Eight of the
Twenty-four
Directors to
go out of
Office annu-
ally.

XV. And be it further enacted, That the Directors assembled at their Weekly Board in the First Week in *October* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, and in every succeeding Year for ever, shall elect Eight of the most able and discreet Guardians, whose Names shall be contained in the aforesaid Lists so required to be transmitted by the Overseers of the Poor in the next preceding *September* as aforesaid, to be Directors instead of those then next to go out of Office, that is to say, One out of each of the Lists then recently delivered to the Clerk or his Substitute as aforesaid from or for the respective Places for which the said Directors then about to go out of Office shall be serving; and each of the said Persons so elected Directors shall take upon himself the said Office on the First or Second Board Day then next coming, and shall be and continue a Director accordingly for Three Years then next ensuing, and thence until another shall be lawfully elected and sworn in his Stead, if he shall so long live and continue to reside within the said United District, and not become disqualified as a Guardian, nor be discharged from the said Office of Director as herein-after provided.

Annual
Election of
Directors.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That in case any Person who shall be elected a Director shall refuse or neglect to take the said Office on him at the First or Second Board of Directors which shall be holden next after Notice in Writing of his Election, signed by the Clerk of the said Guardians or Directors, or his Substitute, shall be given to him or left at his usual Place of Abode; or if any Director shall die, or remove out of the said United District, become disqualified as a Guardian, or be discharged or removed from his said Office of Director as herein-after provided before the Expiration of the Term for which he shall have been elected a Director; then and so often the other Directors shall, at their First or Second Weekly Board after Signification thereof, or as soon after as conveniently may be, elect to supply his Place One other able and discreet Guardian named in the aforesaid then last annual List, or a subsequent

Election of
Directors on
Vacancies.

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one if any be so made and returned for the Place, for which such Person so refusing, neglecting, dying, removing, becoming disqualified, or discharged as aforesaid shall have last served or been elected; and the Person so elected shall be a Director during the Remainder of the Term for which his Predecessor was elected, unless he shall die or remove out of the said United District, become disqualified as a Guardian, or be discharged from his said Office; and at the Expiration or sooner Determination thereof as aforesaid, the said newly-elected Director shall go out of and quit the said Direction in the same Manner as his immediate Predecessor would have done if he had continued in the said Direction.

Election in case List of Guardians be not returned.

XVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if Default be made in the due Nomination or Delivery of any of the said Lists, then and so often the Directors shall and may elect such able and discreet Guardian residing in the Place in respect of which such Default shall happen, and being eligible to be included in such Nomination, as they shall think proper, to be a Director in the Room of the Person who shall be then about to go out of Office for the said Place, or shall die, remove out of the said United District, or become disqualified, or be discharged or removed from his said Office, in the same Manner as if the said Guardian had been regularly nominated and returned as aforesaid.

Justices, &c. to be Honorary Directors; and may act as Justices though Directors.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That all and every of the Guardians of the Poor of the said United District who shall be of the Number of the King's Majesty's Justices of the Peace for either of the Counties of *Montgomery* and *Salop*, or of the Bailiffs of either of the Boroughs of *Montgomery* and *Pool*, shall, during the Times they shall be and continue such Guardians and Justices or Bailiffs respectively, the Honorary Directors of the Poor of the said United District; and that all and every of the said Guardians who shall be Deputies or a Deputy of the said Bailiffs, or any of them, shall, in the Absence of the Person or Persons to whom he or they shall be a Deputy or Deputies respectively, during the Time or Times he or they shall be and continue such Guardian or Guardians and Deputy or Deputies, be also Honorary Directors of the Poor of the said United District; and that it shall be lawful from Time to Time for the said Guardians, at each or any of their annual Courts to be holden pursuant to this Act, to elect any Person or Persons (not exceeding Five in the whole) to be an Honorary Director or Honorary Directors of the Poor of the said United District for and during the then ensuing Year; and in case any or either of the said Persons so elected shall die, remove out of the said United District, or decline or omit to take the said Office upon him or them respectively, then and so often it shall be lawful for the said Guardians, at any of their Quarterly Courts to be holden in the said Year pursuant to this Act, to nominate and elect any other Person or Persons an Honorary Director or Honorary Directors in his or their Stead for and during the Remainder of the same Year; and every Honorary Director is hereby empowered to act as fully and effectually as any other Director in the Execution of this Act, but shall not be thereby ineligible for or exempted from being elected one of the aforesaid Twenty-four Directors; nor shall any Person by becoming or acting as a Director be disabled or prevented from acting as a Justice or Justices, Bailiff or Bailiffs, in the Execution of this Act, or otherwise howsoever.

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XIX. And be it further enacted, That every Person (save and except a Justice of the Peace) shall before he acts as a Director (except in administering an Oath to or receiving an Affirmation from any other Director) take his Corporal Oath, or being one of the People called *Quakers* make his solemn Affirmation, that he will duly, faithfully, honestly, and impartially execute the Duties of his said Office during his Continuance therein, according to the best of his Judgment and Ability, before Two or more of the other Directors assembled at the Time and Place for holding the Weekly Board; and that if any Person who shall be duly elected one of the Twenty-four Directors as aforesaid, and shall have Notice thereof in Writing given to him, or left at his usual Place of Abode, under the Hand of the Clerk of the said Guardians or Directors, shall refuse or neglect to accept the said Office, by taking the said Oath or making the said Affirmation at the First or Second Board of Directors to be holden next after such Notice, then every such Person so refusing or neglecting shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Twenty Pounds, unless sufficient Cause for his Omission thereof shall be shewn to and approved of by the said Guardians at their Quarterly Court next after the said Second Board of Directors; and every Person who shall pay the said Penalty shall be thereupon entitled to the like Exemption from serving the said Office in future as he would have been if he had duly taken upon him and served the said Office.

Any Person elected a Director, and neglecting to be sworn, to forfeit 20%; and on Payment to be exempted as if he had served.

XX. And be it further enacted, That if any Person shall act as a Guardian or Director without being so qualified as aforesaid, or without having taken the Oath or made the Affirmation of Qualification as a Guardian, and (except he be such Justice as aforesaid) for the due Execution of the Office of Director respectively as aforesaid, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds nor less than Five Pounds: Provided nevertheless, that no Act or Proceeding done or performed by or with the Consent of any such Person previously to his being convicted of such Offence shall be in any way affected or impeached on account thereof.

Guardians and Directors acting when unqualified to forfeit from 5% to 10%.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That the said Guardians may from Time to Time, if they shall see Occasion, lessen the Number of the said Directors fixed by this Act to be elected for any Place or Places in the said United District, and increase the Number for any other Place or Places therein, so that the total Number of Directors to be elected in the whole United District be continued Twenty-four, exclusive of Honorary ones; and that the said Guardians may also remove and discharge any of the said Twenty-four Directors from his or their said Office or Offices at his or their Request, or for or by reason of Inability, Sickness, Disease, Misfortune, Misconduct, or other Cause.

Guardians may change the Number of Directors, and remove them.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That the said Guardians, or any Five or more of them, shall and may hold a Court or Assembly on the First *Wednesday* in *October* in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, at the Hour of Ten in the Forenoon at the said House of Industry, and also hold Four General Quarterly Courts or Assemblies in every Year for ever on the First *Wednesday* in the respective Months of *January*, *April*, *July*, and *October*, or on such other more convenient Days in the same Months respectively as shall be directed by

Guardians to hold Annual and Quarterly Courts.

Directors to hold Weekly Boards.

the said Guardians, between the Hours of Ten and Two, at the said House of Industry, or in case of any epidemical Disorder therein or other reasonable Cause, at such other convenient Place or Places near the same as any Five of the said Guardians shall from Time to Time upon such Occasions appoint, which Quarterly Court in *October* shall be and be deemed the Annual Court of the said Guardians; and that the said Directors for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, shall and may hold a Board or Meeting on the said First *Wednesday* in *October* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and thenceforth on every succeeding *Wednesday*, or on such other Day in each Week as shall be directed by the said Guardians, between the Hours of Ten and Two of each Day, at the said House of Industry, or in case of any epidemical Disorder therein or other reasonable Cause, at such other convenient Place or Places near the same as the said Directors for the Time being, or any Three of them, shall from Time to Time upon such Occasions appoint.

Special Courts or Boards.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful from Time to Time for any special Purpose or Purposes for the said Guardians, or any Five of them, to convene and hold any Special Court or Assembly, and for the said Directors, or any Three of them, to convene and hold any Special Board or Meeting, by and on giving Three Days Notice in Writing, specifying the Time, Place, and Purpose thereof, under the Hands of the said Guardians or Directors, or the Hand of their Treasurer or Clerk, and affixing the same on the said House of Industry, and the Guildhalls of the Boroughs of *Montgomery* and *Pool*, and also on the Door of each Church in the said United District, and having the same proclaimed in each of the said Boroughs at the usual Hours and Places there respectively.

No Business to be done but at Courts or Boards.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That no Business, Matter, or Thing to be done or transacted by the said Guardians or Directors by virtue of this Act, except swearing or affirming any Director into Office, shall be done or transacted otherwise than at a Court of Guardians or Board of Directors to be holden in pursuance of this Act respectively; and that at all Courts and Boards the Acts, Assents, or Consents of the major Part of the Members present (such Members not being less in Number than hereby required for each respective Act or Transaction), shall be good and valid.

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

XXV. And be it further enacted, That at every Court and Board there shall be a Chairman chosen by a Majority of the Members present; and if at any Time there shall be an Equality of Votes on any Question or Matter, the Chairman shall have the casting Vote, notwithstanding he shall have previously voted upon the same Question.

Courts and Boards may be adjourned.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That any Court or Board may from Time to Time be adjourned and re-assembled, and that if at the Time and Place for holding any original or adjourned Court or Board a sufficient Number of Guardians or Directors respectively shall not attend and hold the same, then and so often the Guardians or Directors present, or in case of none such attending, the Clerk shall and may adjourn the same Court or Board to such Time as they or he shall think best, not exceeding Fifteen Days for any Court nor Six Days for any Board: Provided always,

always, that no Business, Matter, or Thing shall be transacted, discussed, or determined at any such Adjourned Meeting other than what shall be specified in the Minute of the original Adjournment.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That the Directors respectively assembled at any of the said Boards, or any Adjournment thereof, shall and may proceed with and carry into Execution every Act, Matter, and Thing which shall remain undone or be left incomplete at any former Board, although they should not be the same Persons who formed such former Board, in case they shall be sufficient in Number for that Purpose.

Proceedings may be continued by different Directors.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors, or any Five of them, shall and may form such Committees, and make such Standing Rules and Orders as they shall think fit, as well for the better Regulation of themselves, and of the several Officers and others employed in and about the said House of Industry, as for the Governance and Regulation of the said House and the Poor therein, and the better effecting the Purposes of this Act; and the same or any of them from Time to Time to repeal, alter, or amend, as to the said Directors shall seem expedient, so that no such Rule or Order, Repeal, Alteration, or Amendment, be repugnant to Law, or to any Rule or Order of the said Corporation.

Directors to form Committees, and make Rules and Orders, and repeal and alter them.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That if at any of the said appointed Boards a sufficient Number of Directors shall not attend and act, then every of the said Twenty-four Directors not attending, or attending and not staying and acting during the Continuance of such Board, shall for every such Neglect or Default forfeit and pay such Sum of Money, not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than One Pound, as the Guardians assembled at the next Quarterly Court shall adjudge, unless such Director shall shew that he was prevented from so attending and acting by Illness, or other reasonable Cause to be allowed by the same Guardians; and that if any of the said Twenty-four Directors shall make Default in the due Observance of any of the Standing Rules or Orders, or in duly attending and acting at any Time appointed thereby or by virtue thereof for his Attendance, or as one of any Committee of which he shall be constituted a Member, and no other Director shall then attend and act for him, then every such Director, although a sufficient Number of other Directors shall attend and act, shall for every such Default by him made forfeit and pay such Sum of Money, not exceeding Twenty Shillings nor less than Five Shillings, over and besides any Forfeiture he may have otherwise incurred, as the Guardians so assembled as aforesaid shall adjudge, unless such Director shall shew that such Default was from Illness or other reasonable Cause of Prevention to be allowed of by the same Guardians.

Directors neglecting their Duty to forfeit from 1*l.* to 5*l.*, and not observing the Standing Rules to forfeit from 5*s.* to 20*s.*

XXX. And be it further enacted, That every Guardian and Director shall from Time to Time defray and bear all his or her Expences incurred in or by attending any Court, Assembly, Board, or Meeting which shall be holden by virtue of this Act.

Guardians and Directors to bear their own Expences.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors, or any Five of them, shall and may from Time to Time elect and appoint a Clergyman

Directors to appoint a Chaplain,

Treasurer,
Clerk, and
other Offi-
cers.

Clergyman of the Church of *England* to attend and perform Divine Service in the said House of Industry, to instruct the Poor in the Principles of the Christian Religion, and the Children in the Church Catechism, to visit the Sick, and perform other Offices of his Function; and also shall and may from Time to Time elect and appoint a Treasurer and a Clerk of and to the said Corporation, and a Governor, Steward, and Matron of the said House of Industry, and such other Officer or Officers as they shall think necessary for the Purposes of this Act; and from Time to Time, as to them the said Directors shall seem meet, displace or discharge such Chaplain, Treasurer, and other Officers, or any of them, and elect and appoint another or others in his, her, or their Stead, and shall take such Securities as they shall deem reasonable, by Bond, with sufficient Sureties or otherwise, to the said Corporation, from every such Treasurer and other Officer, for the due and faithful Execution of their respective Offices, before he, she, or they respectively shall presume or be allowed to act.

Directors to
allow Salaries to Chaplain and Officers, and may give them Gratuities for good Conduct.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors, or any Five of them, shall and may make and allow such Stipend, Salary, or Allowance to every such Clergyman, Treasurer, and other Officer, for his or her Pains and Trouble, as such Directors shall think proper; and for inciting them to discharge their respective Duties with Humanity, Diligence, and Fidelity, may order such Gratuity or Gratuities to be given and paid to them or any of them respectively, over and besides their respective Allowances, as shall appear to such Directors to be proper, and the same shall be paid accordingly.

Treasurer
and Clerk to
be different
Persons.

XXXIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Guardians or Directors to continue or appoint the Person or Persons who hath or have been or may be appointed their Clerk or Clerks in the Execution of this Act, or the Partner or Partners of any such Clerk or Clerks, or any Person or Persons in the Service or Employ of any such Clerk or Clerks, or of his or their Partner or Partners, the Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act; or to continue or appoint any Person or Persons who have or hath been or may be appointed Treasurer or Treasurers, or the Partner or Partners of any such Treasurer or Treasurers, or any Person or Persons in the Service or Employ of any such Treasurer or Treasurers, or of his or their Partner or Partners, the Clerk of or to the said Corporation or Directors; and if any Person or Persons shall accept both the said Offices of Clerk and Treasurer, or if any Person or Persons being the Partner or Partners of any such Clerk or Clerks, or in the Service or Employ of any such Clerk or Clerks, or of his or their Partner or Partners, shall accept the said Office of Treasurer, or being the Partner or Partners of any such Treasurer or Treasurers, or in the Service or Employ of any such Treasurer or Treasurers, or of his or their Partner or Partners, shall accept the said Office of Clerk, or if any such Treasurer shall hold or accept any Place or Office of Trust or Profit under the said Guardians or Directors other than that of Treasurer, every such Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds to any Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, to be recovered with full Costs of Suit in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster* or Great Sessions in *Wales*, by Action of Debt or on the Case, or by Bill, Suit, or

or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, nor more than one Imparlance, shall be allowed.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors, or any Three of them, may from Time to Time appoint One or more proper Person or Persons to be a Special Constable or Constables within the said United District for the Purposes of this Act, and that such Person or Persons, having taken the usual Oath of a Constable before any Justice of the Peace, shall and may act as a Constable or Constables in all Cases relating to the Execution of this Act within the said District.

Directors may appoint Special Constables.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where any Justice or Justices of the Peace is, are, or shall be empowered by any Law or Statute to proceed or act in any Matter or Thing relating to the Poor of the said United District, or of any Part thereof, on the Complaint of any Overseer or Overseers of the Poor, such Justice or Justices shall and may proceed and act therein, as to any poor Person or Persons who shall reside in the said House of Industry, on the Complaint of any of the said Directors, or of the Clerk of the said Corporation or Direction, or the Governor, Steward, or Matron of the said House of Industry for the Time being, in like Manner as if such Complaint was made by such Overseer or Overseers respectively.

Justices to act on Complaint of Directors or Officers.

XXXVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Directors, or any Five or more of them, from Time to Time to make any such Alterations in or Additions to the aforesaid House of Industry, and its Yards, Gardens, Cemetery, Lands, and Appurtenances, as shall appear to them to be necessary or proper, and shall be previously approved of by the said Guardians, for the better and more completely effecting the Purposes of this Act; and the said Directors shall keep the Buildings, and the other Premises which are now standing, and as the same shall be hereafter added to or altered from Time to Time, in good and sufficient Repair.

Power to alter and keep in repair the House of Industry, &c.

XXXVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors, or any Three or more of them, shall and may from Time to Time contract for and purchase or provide such Furniture, Cattle, Goods, Provisions, Clothing, Utensils, Materials, and other Chattels, as they shall think proper for the Purposes of this Act; and that the Property of all the present and future Furniture, and other Goods, Chattels, and Effects which have been or shall be from Time to Time had, made, or provided for the said House of Industry, or for carrying into Execution any of the Purposes of this Act, and also of all Debts which now are or hereafter shall be due to the said Corporation for the Poor's Work or otherwise, shall be vested in and be deemed the Property of the said Corporation for the Purposes of this Act; and the said Directors, or any Three of them, are hereby empowered to prosecute any Indictment or Indictments, or to bring any Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, in the Name of the said Corporation, against any Person or Persons, for disturbing the Possession of, or for the feloniously or illegally taking, receiving, obtaining, withholding, or detaining any such Goods, Chattels, or Effects, or for the Recovery of such Debt or Debts.

Directors to provide Furniture, &c. to be vested in Corporation.

XXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors shall without Delay ascertain the respective Places of Settlement within the said

Settlements of Poor now in House of

Industry to be ascertained by Directors, and Lists sent to the Overseers.

Unsatisfactory Ascertainments to be settled by Justices.

United District of such of the different poor Persons who shall be in the said House of Industry on the First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and from or in respect of what Places in the said District the same poor Persons were respectively brought thereto or received therein, and cause to be delivered unto the Overseers of the Poor of each Place in the said United District a List or Account of such of the said Persons whose Settlements shall be found to be in such Place, or who were brought to or received into the said House from or in respect of such Place; and if the said Overseers of any of the said Places shall be dissatisfied with the said Ascertainment with respect to any of the said poor Persons, then the same shall be heard and determined by Two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Montgomery*, or for the said County of *Salop*; and in case the Settlement of any or either of the said Persons who shall be in the said House on the said First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five cannot be ascertained, then such Person or Persons shall be deemed to belong to such Place or Places in the said United District whence or in respect whereof he, she, or they respectively was or were received into the said House, or if such Place or Places cannot be ascertained as to any of them, then he, she, or they, as to whom such Defect shall be, shall be deemed to belong to such Place or Places respectively within the said District as shall be fixed by the said Guardians by Lot or otherwise, as nearly proportionate to the Difference in the Quotas which the several Places in the said District bear to each other in the Rate or Scale hereinafter contained, and amounting in the whole to the aggregate Sum of One hundred Pounds, as the Circumstances will admit, but subject to the like Power of Adjudication of Two Justices of the Peace of the said County of *Montgomery* as is hereby given with respect to the Settlement of the said other Paupers.

Poor of each Place to be under its separate Care and Charge, with Power to remove such as do not belong thereto.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That from and after the said First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, each Parish or other Place within the said United District shall have the separate and distinct Care of the Poor belonging or who shall hereafter belong thereto, or who was or were or shall be sent to or received into the said House of Industry from or in respect of such Place, or be so allotted as aforesaid, and shall maintain or provide for them at the separate Expence of such Place, either in the said House of Industry by virtue of this Act, or elsewhere, pursuant to the general Laws relating to the Poor and this Act, with Power nevertheless to remove by the usual Means such of them whose Settlements may happen to be elsewhere than in such Place, to the Place or respective Places of his, her, or their Settlement.

Parishes, &c. may send their Poor to the House of Industry, and may have them out of the House.

XL. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Vestry, or in Cases of immediate Necessity for the Overseers, or other Officers or Persons having by Law the Care, Management, or Direction of the Poor of any Parish or Place within the said United District, from Time to Time to take or send any poor Person or Persons chargeable thereto to the said House of Industry, with or without suitable Clothing, by Writing signed by the Vestry Clerk or a Director or Overseer of the Poor appointed for or in respect of the same Parish or Place; and such poor Person or Persons shall be thereupon received into the said House, and there provided for under the Provisions of this Act; and that it shall be lawful for such Vestry, Overseers, or other Officers or Persons having such Manage-

ment or Direction as aforesaid, by Writing signed in like Manner, at any Time or Times to require the Discharge of any of the said poor Persons who now is or are or shall be in the said House of Industry belonging to such Parish or other Place, or from or in respect of which such Writing shall be sent, and such Person or Persons shall be thereupon discharged accordingly suitably clothed, and shall be taken and removed by such Overseer or other Officer of such Parish or Place from the said House, either back to the same Parish or Place, or to the Place or respective Places of his, her, or their Settlement.

XLI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Officer or Person having the Management of the said House of Industry shall, without the Order of an Assembly of Guardians or Board of Directors, be compelled or compellable to receive into the said House any poor Person who shall at the Time when brought thereto be insane or lunatic or idiotic, or afflicted with any contagious Disease; and if any poor Person shall at the Time of his or her Admission into the said House be in any such State, or during his or her Continuance in the said House become insane or lunatic or idiotic, then and in every or any such Case it shall be lawful for the said Directors, or any Three of them, to require the Overseers of the Poor of the Place from which such poor Person was brought to the House to remove such Person from the said House; and if such Overseers shall not comply with such Order within Three Days then next following, every of them shall forfeit and pay for every such Default any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Forty Shillings.

Persons insane or ill of contagious Disorders not to be in the House.

XLII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That in all Cases or any Case where a competent Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary shall certify in Writing that any poor Person in the said House of Industry is affected with a contagious Disorder, and may be removed without Danger to his or her Life, it shall be lawful for any Honorary Director, or any Two other Directors, by Writing under his Hand or their Hands respectively, to order the Overseers of the Poor of the Place from which such poor Person shall have been brought to the said House, to remove him or her out of the said House without Delay, and to provide for him or her proper Lodgings, Accommodation, and Relief elsewhere, at the Expence of such Place; and if such Overseers of the Poor shall not comply therewith within Twenty-four Hours after personal Service of such Order on any of them, or in case such Honorary Director or Two other Directors shall so think fit without issuing any such Order, then it shall be lawful for such Director or Directors by like Writing to procure such poor Person to be so removed, lodged, accommodated, and relieved as aforesaid, during the Continuance of such Disorder, and to charge the Expences attending the same to the said Place from which the said Person shall have been so sent to the said House; and if the said Overseers shall refuse or neglect to comply with the said Order on them, then every of them who shall be guilty of such Refusal or Neglect, during Twenty-four Hours after being personally served with the said Order, shall for every such Refusal or Neglect forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Forty Shillings.

Poor having contagious Disorders may be sent out of the House.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors for the Time being shall have and they are hereby vested with the entire Care, Con-

Directors to have the Care &c. of

the Poor in the House of Industry, and to provide for and employ them there.

troul, Management, and Government of the said House of Industry and of all the Poor who now are or shall at any Time be received therein until lawfully discharged therefrom, with Power to provide for their better Maintenance and Employment there, and shall from Time to Time, for ever, set and keep them to work and maintain and provide for them during their respective Continuance in the said House, in such Manner as Overseers of the Poor are empowered and required to do in any Poor-house, Workhouse, or elsewhere, by any Law now in being, or which shall hereafter be enacted relating to the Poor, or in such other legal Manner as the said Directors, or any Three of them, shall think proper, subject to the Provisions of this Act, and to the Rules, Orders, and Regulations to be made by virtue hereof.

Poor in the House of Industry to work, &c.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That every Person received into and remaining as a Pauper in the said House of Industry shall, during his or her Residence or Abode there, do, execute, and perform all such Work and Labour as the said Directors, or any Three of them, shall think proper; and shall submit to, obey, and observe the Rules and Orders which are or shall be established or made for the Regulation of the said House, and of the Persons residing therein; and shall be obedient to the reasonable Commands of the said Directors, and of the Governor, Steward, Matron, and other Officers of the said House, and shall not be guilty of profane Cursing or Swearing, Drunkenness, Lewdness, indecent, immoral, or disorderly Behaviour, nor shall at any Time absent himself or herself from the said House, or quit the same without Leave, or until legally discharged.

Directors may punish such as misbehave.

XLV. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where any of the Poor under the Care and Management of the said Directors shall not from Time to Time observe, obey, and perform the Rules and Orders of the said Guardians or Directors, or the reasonable Commands of the said Governor, Steward, Matron, or other Officer or Officers having the Direction or Care of the said House of Industry, or shall be guilty of profane Cursing or Swearing, Drunkenness, Lewdness, indecent, immoral, or disorderly Behaviour, or any other Crime or Misconduct, any Board of the said Directors shall and may order every such poor Person so misbehaving to be confined in the said House of Industry, and proceeded against for Punishment according to Law.

Directors may reward the Poor for good Conduct.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Five of the said Directors from Time to Time to distribute and give, out of the Profits which may arise from the Work and Labour of the Poor in the said House of Industry, such Rewards to the diligent, skilful, orderly, or well-behaved of the said Poor, as shall appear to the same Directors to be prudent and proper.

Poor in the House to be maintained at Expence of Corporation till 1st Oct. 1825, and thereafter by

XLVII. And be it further enacted, That the poor Persons in the said House of Industry shall be maintained therein at the Expence of the present Corporation of Guardians until the said First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five inclusive, and that for ever thereafter such of them as shall continue therein, and such poor Persons as shall be thereafter sent thereto, shall, during the Times they shall respectively remain therein, be lodged, clothed, maintained, and provided for

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by the Directors of the said Corporation at the Expence of the respective Parishes and other Places in the said United District to which they shall respectively belong, or from or in respect of which they shall respectively be received into the said House ; and that the Overseers of the Poor of the said Places shall from Time to Time respectively repay the said Expences unto the said Corporation or its Treasurer, according to the Stipulations in this Act contained, and be allowed a reasonable Compensation out of the Profits (if any) of the Work and Labour of such Paupers so belonging to them during the said Times they shall so remain in the said House respectively; and the said Directors shall from Time to Time cause distinct Statements, monthly or otherwise, to be made in their Accounts of the Expence of the Lodging, Clothing, and Maintenance, and of the Employment and Gains of the Poor belonging to or sent from or in respect of each District or Place, the same to be made in such Manner and Form, and upon such Calculations on the Numbers, Ages, Capacities, and other Circumstances, as the said Guardians by any Rule or Order, or the said Directors, in case none shall be made by the said Guardians, shall from Time to Time appoint, and the Balances of such Accounts shall be charged on the said respective Places accordingly: Provided always, that the Charges for Maintenance of the said Poor in the House shall be computed and made by the Week, although any poor Person shall continue therein for any odd Time less than a Week, yet in making such Computation such Time shall be deemed and taken as and for a whole Week.

the Places to which they belong.

Charges of Maintenance to be by the Week.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That in order to provide for the Support of the said House of Industry, and for keeping the same in repair, and for Payment of the Salaries and Wages of the Clergyman, Treasurer, Clerk, Steward, and other Officers and Servants employed by the said Guardians or Directors, and of all Annuities granted by virtue of the said recited Acts, and the Interest now due and which shall accrue of such of the Debts of the said Corporation as carry Interest, and also for discharging all other Debts, except those which have arisen by borrowing at Interest on Mortgage or otherwise, and which amount to the Sum of Twelve thousand three hundred and eighty-five Pounds, and for defraying all other Charges and Expences of the said Corporation not otherwise provided for, the said Directors, or any Five of them, shall from Time to Time, monthly or otherwise, as to them shall seem meet, fix and charge upon the Parishes and Places within the said United District such Sum and Sums of Money as shall be needful for the same, in the like Proportions on each Place as the undermentioned Sums entered opposite to the Names of the said Places respectively bear to the aggregate Sum of One hundred Pounds; (that is to say),

Fund for paying general Expences of Corporation.

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The Township of <i>Aston</i>	0	9	8
The Parish of <i>Berriew</i>	15	4	8
The Townships of <i>Brompton</i> and <i>Rhiston</i>	1	9	6
The Township of <i>Castlewright</i>	1	4	11
The Parish of <i>Chirbury</i>	12	16	8
The Remainder of the Parish of <i>Churchstoke</i>	9	2	1
The Township of <i>Chetterwood</i>	0	13	1
The Parish of <i>Forden</i>	7	3	6
The Township of <i>Hope</i>	0	18	9

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The Township of <i>Leighton</i>	0	17	10
The Parish of <i>Llandyssil</i>	4	15	0
The Parish of <i>Llanmerewig</i>	1	6	11
The Parish of <i>Montgomery</i>	7	15	2
The Lower Division of the Parish of <i>Pool</i>	5	4	9
The Middle Division of the same Parish	9	1	0
The Upper Division of the same Parish	4	19	9
The Township of <i>Trelystan</i>	0	11	0
The Parish of <i>Worthin</i>	16	5	9

Which said different Sums, exclusive of Fractions of a Penny, are in the same Proportion to each other as the said above-named Places have hitherto respectively contributed to the Maintenance of the Poor and other Charges under and by virtue of the said recited Acts.

Directors to issue Warrants to Overseers to raise Monies, and pay the same out of Poor's Rates.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That for the Purposes herein-before mentioned the said Directors, or any Three of them, shall and may from Time to Time issue their Warrants, under their Hands and Seals, to the Overseers of the Poor of the said respective Places in the said United District, requiring them to raise the said respective Sums so charged and to be charged as aforesaid on their said respective Places, and to pay the same to the Treasurer of the Corporation at such Time or Times, and Place or Places, as shall be specified therein respectively; and such Overseers shall and may pay all the said Monies by and out of the Poor's Rates or Assessments of or for their respective Places, which Assessments they are hereby required to make and collect accordingly.

Commissioners to raise a Sinking Fund to discharge the 12,385l. Debt, &c.

L. And be it further enacted, That there shall be Seven Commissioners for the raising and management of a Fund to be provided as herein-after mentioned for the Payment and Discharge of the Principal of the said Debt of Twelve thousand three hundred and eighty-five Pounds, and the Money which shall be borrowed as herein-after directed for Payment of the Charges and Expences incident to and attending the obtaining of this Act; and that the Right Honourable *Edward Herbert*, commonly called *The Viscount Clive*, *William Owen* of *Glansevern* in the County of *Montgomery*, Esquire, *Panton Corbett* of *Leighton Hall* in the same County, Esquire, *Charles Hanbury Tracy* of *Gregynog* in the same County, Esquire, *Joseph Hayes Lyon* of *Cefn Blewog* in the same County, Esquire, *David Pugh* of *Llanerchudol* in the same County, Esquire, and *Maurice Edward Lloyd* of *Montgomery* aforesaid, Clerk, be and they are hereby appointed such Commissioners accordingly; and in case they or any of them shall refuse or decline to act as such Commissioners or Commissioner, or having acted shall die or become desirous of being discharged, the said Guardians shall, at a Special Meeting to be held for that Purpose, elect some other fit and proper Person or Persons to be Commissioner or Commissioners in the Stead of the Person or Persons so refusing or declining to act, or dying, or being desirous to be removed: Provided always, that no Person shall be eligible to be elected or to act as one of such Commissioners unless he shall be possessed of Freehold Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments in the Counties of *Montgomery* and *Salop*, or one of them, for Life, or some greater Estate, of the clear Rental of One thousand Pounds *per Annum*.

LI. And be it further enacted, That for the Purpose of providing a Fund for the Payment and Discharge of the said Money which shall be so borrowed as aforesaid, and also of the said principal Debt of Twelve thousand three hundred and eighty-five Pounds, the annual Sum of Seven hundred Pounds shall be and the same is hereby fixed and charged on the said Places in the said United District, in the same Proportions as are herein-before directed for raising Monies for paying the Interest of the said Debt and the general Expences of the said Corporation, the same to be raised either by equal Annual or Half-yearly Payments, and be paid to the said Commissioners, or to whom and at such respective Times and Places as they or any Four of them, shall from Time to Time, by any Warrant or Warrants under their Hands and Seals to the Overseers of the Poor of the said respective Places, appoint.

700l. per Annum to be raised for that Purpose.

LII. And be it further enacted, That the said Overseers of the Poor shall and may from Time to Time without Delay, after their respective Receipts of the said Warrants of the said Commissioners, levy and raise the Monies therein respectively specified upon their respective Places accordingly, by separate or distinct Rates or Assessments on the same Persons or Parties, and in the same Proportions, as are named, specified, and contained in the then Assessments for the Relief of the Poor in the same Places respectively, and shall sign Acquittances to the respective Parties paying the same; and that every Tenant of any Messuage, Land, Tenement, Tithe, or other Hereditament, not having a Lease for Twenty-one Years or more from the Time of its Commencement, or for one or more Life or Lives, who shall pay any Charge upon him or her in or by virtue of any such separate or distinct Assessment, or upon whom the same shall be levied, shall and may deduct the same out of his or her Rent, and shall be acquitted and discharged of so much of such Rent as the Money so paid or levied shall amount unto, as fully and effectually as if the said Money had been actually paid to the Person or Persons, Party or Parties, to whom such Rent is or shall be payable; and such Person or Party, Persons or Parties, is and are hereby required to allow such Deduction upon the Receipt of the Residue of the same Rent, notwithstanding any Covenant, Agreement, Condition, Proviso, or other Matter, Cause, or Thing to the contrary.

Overseers to raise the 700l. per Annum by separate Assessment, and Tenants to be allowed the same by their Landlords.

LIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners, or any Four of them, shall from Time to Time lay out and invest the said Monies so received at Interest or Increase, upon good Real or Parliamentary Security, or in the Purchase of Exchequer Bills, or of Stock in some or one of the Public Funds, in the Names of the Commissioners, or some Four of them for the Time being, and shall lay out and invest the Interest, Dividends, or Increase thereof, from Time to Time, as the same shall arise, in like Manner, and shall continue the same and the Increase so laid out or invested as an accumulating Fund, until a sufficient Sum shall be thereby produced to pay off and discharge the whole of the said principal Debt, and the said Money which shall be so borrowed as aforesaid, with the necessary Expences attending such Payment, and then the same shall be applied and paid by the said Commissioners accordingly.

The 700l. per Annum to be laid out at Increase, and when sufficient be applied in Discharge of the Debt, &c.

LIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, or any Four of them, if they shall think

Commissioners may take Trans-

fers of the
Mortgages.

think fit, to pay off any Part or Parts of the said Debt, or of the said Money which shall be so borrowed as aforesaid, and with and out of the said Monies which shall be then vested in their or any of their Names as aforesaid; and upon every such Payment the said Commissioners shall take an Assignment or Transfer of the Debt or Money so paid off, and of the Security or Securities for the same, and shall stand in the Place of the Creditor or Creditors so paid to all Intents and Purposes, and shall receive the Interest of such Debt as and in the Place of such Creditor or Creditors, and shall invest the same in like Manner as they are hereby directed with respect to the Interest or Increase of the said Annual Sum of Seven hundred Pounds, or in the Payment and Obtainment of a Transfer or Transfers as aforesaid of any further Part or Parts of the said Sum of Twelve thousand three hundred and eighty-five Pounds, and of the Security or Securities for the same, as they shall think best.

Mode of
paying off
Debt by In-
stalments.

LV. And be it further enacted, That when the said Commissioners, or any Four of them, shall think proper to pay off or discharge any Part or Parts of the said Debt of Twelve thousand three hundred and eighty-five Pounds, or of the said Money which shall be so borrowed as aforesaid, they shall cause Notice, under their Hands, or the Hand of the Clerk of the said Guardians, to be given to or left at the usual Place or respective Places of Abode of the Person or Persons to whom the same is intended to be paid, specifying the Sum to be paid to him, her, or them respectively, and the Day, Hour, and Place within the said United District fixed for Payment thereof (the said Time not to be less than Three nor more than Six Calendar Months from the Day of such Notice); and the said Monies shall be paid accordingly; and no Interest shall become payable or grow due for the Principal Money specified in such Notices respectively, after the Day or respective Days therein mentioned for Payment thereof, except for such Principal Money (if any) as shall be demanded and not paid pursuant to such Notice; but no Person shall be obliged to receive any Money in part of the said Principal Money otherwise than in one or more Sum or Sums of One hundred Pounds.

Overseers to
obey War-
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Orders of
Directors
and Commis-
sioners.

LVI. And be it further enacted, That the Overseers of the Poor of the different Places within the said United District, and every of them, shall from Time to Time, and at all Times hereafter, duly execute, perform, observe, and obey every of the said Warrants for raising and paying Monies as aforesaid, and all other the lawful Warrants and Orders of the said Directors and Commissioners in or concerning the Execution of this Act; and that in default thereof every of them who shall refuse or neglect so to do shall forfeit and pay for every Default or Neglect any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, nor less than One Pound.

Places within
the United
District to be
answerable
for Overseers
Nonpay-
ment.

LVII. And be it further enacted, That the Parishioners and Inhabitants of the said respective Places within the said United District shall be answerable for the respective Sums of Money which shall be fixed, charged, and raised thereon respectively by virtue of this Act, and not paid by their respective Overseers as aforesaid, and shall be compellable to pay the same upon Re-assessment, which in that Case is hereby directed to be made by the said Officers or their Successors; and such Rates or Assessments, and also such Re-assessments for the Sums so fixed and charged, shall be assessed and levied upon, and recovered from such Persons, and in such and the like Manner as Money assessed for
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the Relief of the Poor is to be or may be assessed, levied, and recovered, and with the same Power of Appeal to Persons aggrieved; but no such Appeal shall suspend or delay the Payment of any Money which shall be so required by the said Directors or Commissioners to be raised and paid as aforesaid, but such Money shall be raised and paid, notwithstanding any such Appeal is pending; and in case the Court before whom such Appeal shall be heard shall determine that any Place or Person appealing is aggrieved, with respect to the Sum to be raised or paid by such Place or Person, then the Overseers of the Poor of the Place, or the said Directors or Commissioners (as the Case shall be), as to which such Appeal shall be, shall refund to such Place or Person so appealing such Sum of Money as the Court in which such Appeal shall be heard shall determine to exceed the just Proportion that such Place or Person ought to pay.

LVIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors shall with all convenient Speed cause all the Accounts of the Receipts, Payments, Debts, and Credits due and payable from or to, and the Stock in Hand belonging to the said Corporation, to be made up, balanced, and closed to the First Day of *October* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, inclusive, in such Manner and Form as the said Guardians shall direct, and shall place the Balance of the said General Accounts to the Debit or Credit (as the Case may be) of the said Guardians in their future General Account; and if upon the Settlement of such Accounts it shall appear that there is not Money enough in Hand to pay and satisfy all Demands upon the said Corporation, exclusive of the said principal Debt of Twelve thousand three hundred and eighty-five Pounds, and the said Money which shall be so borrowed as aforesaid, then the Money necessary for the Discharge of such Demands shall be raised by the said Directors in such Sums and at such Times as the said Guardians shall from Time to Time direct, the same to be raised and paid by the respective Overseers of the Poor of the several Parishes and Places in the said United District by the Means herein-before directed, and in the Proportions herein-before specified, for defraying the said Interest and the general Expences of the said Corporation; provided that if it shall turn out upon the Settlement of such Accounts that the Balance of Money in Hand be over and above what is necessary to discharge such Demands, then the Excess of such Balance shall be applied in defraying the contingent Expences of the said Corporation as far as the same will extend.

LIX. And be it further enacted, That the Treasurer, Clerk, Steward, and other Officers for the Time being, shall from Time to Time respectively keep at the said House of Industry such and so many Accounts of the Receipts, Payments, Mortgages, Debts, Credits, and pecuniary Matters, Goods, Chattels, Affairs, and Concerns of the said Corporation, and in such Books, Manner, and Form, as shall be from Time to Time fixed and ordered by the said Guardians, or in their Default by any Board of Directors.

LX. And be it further enacted, That the said Guardians at their said Yearly Courts shall from Time to Time appoint any Three of the Guardians, not being Directors, to be Auditors of Accounts, with liberty to employ such Person or Persons to assist them as an Accountant or Accountants therein, as they shall think fit; and the said Auditors shall

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Accounts to be made up to 1st Oct. 1825.

Accounts how to be kept by Officers.

Guardians to appoint Auditors and Accountants to examine and report to

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who are to
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them.

from Time to Time inspect, examine, audit, and pass the Accounts of the said Corporation, and of the Directors, Treasurer, Steward, and other Officers thereof, and also of the said Commissioners, and at such Time and Times as the Guardians shall order and direct, and shall deliver the said Accounts with their Report thereon to the Board of Directors, or to such Officer as they shall appoint; and the said Directors shall from Time to Time allow such Sum or Sums of Money as shall appear to them to be fair and reasonable as a Remuneration to the said Auditors and Accountants for their Time and Trouble therein; which Money shall be paid accordingly by the Treasurer.

Abstract of
the Accounts
and Reports
to be lodged
at the Quar-
ter Sessions.

LXI. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors shall annually transmit an Abstract of the said Account and Report, in such Form as the said Guardians shall from Time to Time order, to the Clerk of the Peace of the County of *Montgomery*, at the General Quarter Session of the Peace for the said County next ensuing the Receipt of the same Account and Report, or within Ten Days next after such Receipt; and the said Clerk of the Peace shall deposit and keep the same Abstracts with the Records of the Court of Quarter Session; and every or any Person whomsoever may inspect the same, and have Copies thereof or Extracts therefrom, on paying the Sum of One Shilling for each Inspection thereof, and the Sum of Sixpence for every One hundred Words of any Copy or Extract of the same, to the said Clerk of the Peace.

Officers to
account.

LXII. And be it further enacted, That every Treasurer, Clerk, Steward, and other Officer or Person who shall be employed in the Receipt or Expenditure of any of the Monies which hath been or shall be raised by virtue of the said recited Acts, or either of them, or which shall be raised by virtue of this Act, or in the Care or Management of the said House of Industry, or of any Manufactory, Work, or Poor therein, shall from Time to Time, when and as often as required by the said Directors, or any Three of them, render a true and perfect Account in Writing, under his or her Hand, of all Monies, Deeds, Writings, Goods, Chattels, and Effects which shall have been received or had by him or her in such Office or Employ, and how and to what Uses the same shall have been respectively paid, applied, and disposed of, together with proper Vouchers for all Payments or Deliveries thereof, in such Manner and Form as shall be required or directed from Time to Time by the said Corporation, or the said Directors, and pay and deliver over such of the said Monies, Deeds, Writings, Goods, Chattels, and Effects, as shall be remaining in his or her Hands, Custody, or Power, unto the said Directors or such Person or Persons as they shall nominate.

Remedy on
Officer or
Person not
accounting.

LXIII. And be it further enacted, That if any such Officer or Person shall not make and render such Accounts as aforesaid, and produce the Vouchers relating thereto, and pay the Money (if any) which shall be due from him or her on the same, within the Time and in the Manner aforesaid, or shall not deliver up as aforesaid within Seven Days after being thereunto required by the said Directors, or any Three of them, or their Chairman or Clerk, all the Deeds, Books, Writings, Goods, Chattels, and Effects in his or her Custody or Power relating to his or her said Office or Employ, or the Execution of the said recited Acts and this Act, or any of them, then and in every or any such Case any Justice of the Peace for the County of *Montgomery* or County of

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Salop shall and may, upon Complaint made to him by or on behalf of the said Guardians or Directors, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, cause such Officer or Person so refusing or neglecting to be brought before him, and upon his or her appearing, or not being to be found or not appearing, to hear and determine the Matter in a summary Way; and if upon Confession of such Officer or Person, or upon the Testimony of any credible Witness or Witnesses upon Oath, it shall appear to such Justice that any of the said Monies shall be remaining in the Hands of such Officer or Person unaccounted for or unpaid, then such Justice shall and may, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, cause such Money to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of every such Officer or Person so offending respectively, together with the Costs and Charges of such Distress and Sale; and if no Goods or Chattels of such Officer or Person can be found sufficient to satisfy such Money, Costs, and Charges, or if it shall appear to any such Justice by the Confession of the Party so offending that any such Deeds, Books, Writings, Goods, Chattels, or Effects shall be in the Custody or Power of any such Officer or Person, and he or she shall refuse to deliver up the same as aforesaid, or if such Officer or Person shall not truly account, or shall not pay the Balance (if any) of the Account; then and in either of the said Cases such Justice shall and may commit every such Offender to the Common Gaol of the said County, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize, until he or she shall give and make such Account and Payment as aforesaid, and until he or she shall deliver up such Deeds, Books, Writings, Goods, Chattels, and Effects as aforesaid, or give Satisfaction in respect thereof to the said Directors: Provided always, that no such Officer or Person shall be detained in Prison for want of sufficient Distress for any longer Time than Six Calendar Months.

LXIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful from Time to Time for any Court of the said Guardians or Board of the said Directors to compound with any Person for any Penalty, Debt, Money, Deeds, Writings, Goods, Chattels, or Effects due or belonging to or from the said Corporation, or respecting the Non-performance or Breach or rescinding of any Contract or Agreement made with the said Corporation or Directors on account thereof; and the said Directors, or the Treasurer of the said Corporation, shall and may receive and accept of or pay such Composition accordingly, and give or receive a full Acquittance or Discharge in the Premises thereon; provided a Motion for making every such Composition shall be entered in the Minute Book of the said Guardians or Directors Thirteen Days at least previous thereto, and be publicly read at the Court or Meeting next after the Time of such Entry; and Notice in Writing, under the Hand of the Clerk of the said Corporation, of the Time at which such Motion is intended to be considered and determined, shall be given in like Manner as directed for Special Assemblies or Boards.

LXV. And be it further enacted, That all the lawful Rules, Orders, and Constitutions of the said present Corporation, and the Directors thereof respectively, made and remaining in force, shall respectively continue and remain in force so far as they respectively shall be applicable to the Powers, Authorities, and Regulations of this present Act, until they shall be respectively repealed, altered, or amended.

LXVI. And

Guardians
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pound Debts,
&c.

Present
Rules, &c.
to remain
till repealed
or altered.

Mortgages,
Transfers,
&c. to be
entered in a
Book.

LXVI. And be it further enacted, That the Grant of the said Annuity and all the said Mortgages shall continue distinguished in the Margins thereof by their present numerical progressive Numbers respectively, and that each of them, and of the Assignments, Transfers, and other Dispositions thereof, shall immediately after the Commencement of this Act, and each future Assignment and Transfer of the same, or of the Monies thereby secured, or any Part thereof, and each Probate of a Will or Letters of Administration, by virtue of which the same or any of them shall be claimed, shall within One Month next after the Commencement of this Act, and the Dates of the said future Instruments respectively, and before any one claiming thereby shall be entitled to have or receive all or any of the Principal or Interest Monies due thereon, be entered by the Clerk of the said Corporation in a Book to be kept by him for that Purpose, for each of which Entries he shall be paid Two Shillings and Sixpence; and the said Book may be inspected at all or any seasonable Time or Times by any Person on Payment of One Shilling to the said Clerk for every such Inspection.

Proceedings
to be entered
in Books, &c.

LXVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Guardians and Directors shall cause proper Minutes of all their respective Contracts, Agreements, Rules, Orders, Directions, Acts, and Proceedings at their said Courts and Boards, to be fairly entered in Books to be kept for the Purpose, and signed by the Chairman of such Courts or Boards; and all Entries so made shall be deemed Originals, and be admitted in Evidence by all Judges, Justices, and others, without other Evidence or Proof than the Production of the said Book or Books respectively; and the said Directors shall also cause proper Accounts of all Receipts, Payments, Debts, Credits, Matters, and Things relating or appertaining to the said House of Industry or Corporation, to be fairly entered by the proper Officer or Officers in other Books to be kept for those Purposes respectively; and all and every of the said Books, Contracts, Agreements, Papers, and Accounts shall be produced at any of the said Courts or Boards, upon the reasonable Request and previous Notice of any Inhabitant or other Person assessed to the Relief of the Poor in any Part of the said United District, and submitted to his or her Inspection upon Payment of such reasonable Fee to the Clerk as the Guardians shall fix from Time to Time for the same; and if the Person making such Inspection shall then, and there protest and declare his or her Objection to or Observation upon any particular Charge, Rate, Matter, or Proceeding contained therein, the same shall be heard and taken into consideration by such Court or Board, and in case the same cannot be then finally settled and determined to the Satisfaction of the Party or Parties making such Objection, that then the Matter of such Objection shall be heard and determined by any Two Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Montgomery*.

Recovering
and applying
Penalties.

LXVIII. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures for all and every the Offences in this Act mentioned, in relation to which the Manner of convicting the Offender or Offenders and Application of the Penalty is not particularly mentioned or directed, shall be adjudged by and be recovered before any Justice of the Peace for the County, City, or District wherein the Offence shall have arisen, in a summary Way, upon Information and by the Oath of any Person or Persons; or on the Confession of the Party offending (which Oath such Justice is hereby authorized to administer); and in default of Payment of such Penalties or Forfeitures,

Forfeitures, the same shall be levied by Distress and Sale of the Offenders Goods and Chattels, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of such Justice, and the Amount of the Penalties and Forfeitures, whether the same shall be paid or shall be recovered by Distress and Sale as aforesaid, and in the latter Case, after rendering the Overplus (if any) on Demand to the Party or Parties whose Goods and Chattels shall have been so distrained (the reasonable Charges of such Distress and Sale having been first deducted), shall be paid to the Treasurer of the said Guardians, and be applied in aid of the Monies to be raised for defraying the general Charges and Expences of the said Corporation; and in case such sufficient Distress cannot be found, and such Penalties and Forfeitures shall not be forthwith paid upon the Conviction, then it shall be lawful for such Justice to order the Offender or Offenders so convicted to be detained in safe Custody until Return can be conveniently made to such Warrant or Warrants of Distress, unless the said Offender or Offenders shall give sufficient Security to the Satisfaction of such Justice for his, her, or their Appearance before him on such Day or Days as shall be appointed for the Return of such Warrant or Warrants of Distress, such Day or Days not being more than Ten Days from the Time of taking any such Security, and which Security the said Justice is hereby empowered to take by way of Recognizance or otherwise; but if upon the Return of such Warrant or Warrants it shall appear that no such sufficient Distress can be had thereupon, or in case it shall appear to the Satisfaction of such Justice, either by the Confession of the Offender or Offenders or otherwise, that he, she, or they hath or have not sufficient Goods and Chattels whereon such Penalties, Forfeitures, Fines, and Charges can be levied if a Warrant of Distress were issued, such Justice shall not be required to issue such Warrant of Distress; and thereupon it shall be lawful for any such Justice of the Peace, and he is hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to commit such Offender or Offenders to the Common Gaol or House of Correction of the County, City, or District wherein such Offence shall have arisen, for any Time not exceeding Six Calendar Months.

LXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall be summoned as a Witness or Witnesses to give Evidence before any Justice or Justices of the Peace touching any Matter contained in any Information or Complaint for any Offence against this Act, either on behalf of the Prosecutor or of the Person or Persons accused, or touching any Matter to be enquired into or to be determined by virtue of this Act, and shall refuse or neglect to appear from Time to Time, and at the Time and Place which shall be for that Purpose appointed, without reasonable Excuse for his, her, or their Refusal or Neglect, or appearing shall refuse to be examined upon Oath, or in case of a Quaker or Quakers on solemn Affirmation (which Oath or Affirmation such Justice or Justices is and are hereby authorized to administer), or to give Evidence before such Justice or Justices, then and in every such Case every such Person shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, nor less than Forty Shillings, provided a reasonable Sum shall have been paid or tendered to such Person for his or her Costs and Charges of Attendance as a Witness.

To compel
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of Witnesses.

LXX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors, or any Three of them, to cause any of
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and may recover Treble Costs, and have and be entitled to the like **Treble Costs.**
Remedy for the same as any Defendant hath for Costs of Suit in other
Cases by Law.

LXXIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any **Persons**
Person shall think himself or herself aggrieved by any thing done in **aggrieved**
pursuance of this Act, and for which no particular Method of Relief is **may appeal**
hereby appointed, such Person may appeal to the General Quarter Session **to the Quar-**
of the Peace, to be holden for the County wherein the Cause of Appeal **ter Sessions.**
shall arise, within Four Calendar Months next after the said Cause shall
have arisen, such Appellant first giving Ten Days Notice at least in
Writing of his or her Intention to bring such Appeal, and of the Matter
thereof, to the Clerk or Treasurer of the said Corporation, or such other
Person or Persons as shall occasion the said Matter or Thing appealed
against, and within Four Days after such Notice entering into a Recog-
nizance before some Justice of the Peace for the same County, with
Two sufficient Sureties, conditioned to try such Appeal, and abide the
Order of and pay the Costs (if any) which shall be awarded by such
Quarter Session; and the Court, upon due Proof of such Notice and
Recognizance, shall hear and finally determine the Matter of every such
Appeal in a summary Way, and make such Order and award such Costs to
the Party appealing or appealed against as such Court shall think proper;
and such Determination shall be final, binding, and conclusive to all
Intents and Purposes.

LXXIV. And be it further enacted, That any Inhabitant of the said **Inhabitants**
United District, although he or she shall be rated or be liable to the **to be com-**
Payment of any Rate or Assessment for the Relief of any of the Poor **petent Wit-**
within the said District, shall be and be deemed a competent Witness **nesses.**
upon any Trial, Hearing, Examination, or otherwise, in, about, touch-
ing, or concerning the Execution of this Act.

LXXV. And be it further enacted, That the aforesaid Commissioners, **Expences**
or any Four of them, shall and may borrow and take up at Interest so **of obtaining**
much Money as shall be sufficient to pay and discharge all the Charges **this Act.**
and Expences incident to and attending the obtaining of this Act, and
therewith discharge the same, and shall repay the said Money in the
Manner herein-before directed.

LXXVI. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed, **Public Act.**
adjudged, and taken to be a Public Act, and be judicially noticed as
such by all Judges, Justices, and other Persons, without being specially
pleaded.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
FOR LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT
AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
FOR LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT
AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 10/15/83
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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