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An Act to make, alter, improve, and maintain certain Roads in the Counties of Stirling, Dumbarton, Lanark, and Perth. [3d July 1840.]

HEREAS by an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for more effectually repairing several Roads in the 1 G 4. c. 67. Counties of Stirling, Dumbarton, Lanark, and Perth, certain Persons were appointed Trustees for surveying, amending, widening, maintaining, repairing, and keeping in repair the said several Roads; and the Trustees so appointed have put the said Act into execution, and have borrowed sundry Sums of Money, upon the Credit of the Tolls thereby granted, and have expended the same upon the said Roads: And whereas the Period of Endurance of the said recited Act is about to expire, and the said Sums so borrowed cannot be repaid, or the said Roads kept in repair, unless Provision be made therefor; and it is expedient that the said recited Act should be repealed, and other and further Powers granted for improving, repairing, and maintaining the said Roads: And whereas it would be of great public Advantage if the Trustees to be appointed for improving, repairing, and maintaining the said Roads were authorized to make, improve, repair, and maintain as Turnpike Roads the new and improved Lines of Road and the Statute Labour Roads after mentioned: And whereas an Act was passed in the Second Year 25 Q $\lceil Local. \rceil$ 

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repealed.

Year of the Reign of His late Majesty William the Fourth, intituled 1 & 2 W. 4. An Act for amending and making more effectual the Laws concerning Turnpike Roads in Scotland; and it is expedient that the Powers and Provisions thereof should be applied to this Act: And whereas the aforesaid Purposes cannot be effected without the Aid and Authority of Parliament: May it therefore please your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament Recited Act assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after 1 G 4. c. 67. the Second Wednesday of the Month next after the passing of this Act the said first-recited Act, passed in the First Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George the Fourth, shall be and the same is hereby repealed: Provided always, that all Debts contracted and Liabilities to Creditors incurred by Trustees or others under the said recited Act or the Act therein recited shall, in regard to their respective Preferences and to the Securities or Liens which may legally attach to the same respectively, be held and considered as in the same Situation in all respects as if the Acts under which they were created had not been repealed or expired.

Powers of 1 & 2 W. 4. c. 43. extended to this Act.

II. And be it enacted, That the said recited Act of the First and and Second Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, and all and every the Powers, Provisions, Exemptions, Penalties, Matters, and Things therein contained, save and except such Parts thereof as are hereby expressly varied, altered, or repealed, shall be as good, valid, and effectual for carrying this Act into execution as if the same had been repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

Qualification of Trustees.

III. And be it enacted, That every Person who is or shall be infeft and possessed as Proprietor or Life-renter or by Courtesy in Right of his Wife of the Dominium utile of Lands situated within any of the Parishes of Baldernock, Campsie, Fintry, Strathblane, Killearn, Drymen or Balfron in the County of Stirling, of Kippen in the Counties of Stirling and Perth, of Kilmaronock in the County of Dumbarton, and of Easter Kilpatrick in the Counties of Stirling and Dumbarton, such Lands being valued in the Cess Books of their respective Counties at the Sum of One hundred Pounds Scots of valued Rent, and the eldest Sons of such Persons in the Absence of their Fathers, such eldest Sons being Heirs Apparent of such Property, and also the eldest Sons of Persons having such Lands situate as aforesaid of the Valuation of Two hundred Pounds Scots or upwards, such eldest Sons being Heirs Apparent of such Property, and the Factors of Heritors having Lands situated as aforesaid, valued as aforesaid at Four hundred Pounds Scots, in the Absence of their respective Constituents shall be and they are hereby appointed Trustees for carrying this Act into execution.

Tolls, &c., due under recited Act, exigible under this Act.

IV. And be it enacted, That all Tolls and Duties due and Penalties and Forfeitures incurred in virtue of the said first-recited Act shall be held to be due to, and shall be exigible by the Trustees acting under Authority of this Act.

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V. And be it enacted, That all Bonds, Covenants, Agreements, Covenants and Securities made or entered into, under the Powers and Provisions and Agreeof the said first-recited Act, by any Person or Persons to or with the former Act Trustees appointed by the said first-recited Act shall remain in full to be good. Force, and shall be and continue available to and in favour of the Trustees hereby appointed, in all Courts of Law and Equity, until the same are fully satisfied and performed; and all such Contracts, Agreements, Bonds, Assignments, and Securities duly made or entered into by the Trustees for executing the said first-recited Act, to or with any Person or Persons, shall remain in full Force and Effect and shall be binding on the Trustees for executing this Act, and be observed and kept by them according to the Terms, Stipulations, and Tenor thereof.

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VI. And be it enacted, That the said Trustees shall be and they Power to are hereby authorized and empowered to alter, widen, improve, improve and repair, and maintain the several Roads comprehended under the said maintain repair, and maintain the several Roads comprehended under the said Roads alfirst-recited Act, namely, the Road from Kirkintilloch to Springfield ready made. Bridge, and from thence by or near Balquharrage House to Muckroft Bridge over the Rivulet Glassert, from thence by the present Line of Road, through the Village of New Berbieston, to the Foot of the Craw Road, from thence by Fintry to the late Military Road at or near the Town of Kippen; the Road at or near BalquharrageHouse aforesaid, and passing along Powbank Bridge and along Cadder Bridge across the River Kelvin to the Junction with the Inchbelly Turnpike Road, at or near to the Fifth Milestone from Glasgow; the Road from the aforesaid Military Road between Balwilland Balfunning to Killearn, and from thence to Strathblane by or near the Church of Strathblane, and to Milngavie and Garscube Bridge; the Road from Garscube Bridge by New Kilpatrick and Stockymuir, to a Point at or near to Drymen Bridge; the Road from the Stockymuir Road over the Blane to the Turnpike Road at Killearn; and the Laigh Road from the Blane Toll by the Laigh Parks to Killearn Road.

VII. And be it enacted, That the said Trustees shall be and they Power to are hereby authorized and empowered to make, and alter, widen, make and improve, repair, and maintain as Turnpike Roads, the new and maintain new improved Roads, and the Statute Labour Roads following; namely, Road and an improved Line of the present Road from Glasgow to Balfron, Statute Labetween a Point thereon at or near to the Farm of Blairquhosh and bour Roads. another Point thereon near to the Eleventh Mile Stone from Glasgow; a new Road from the improved Line of Road last before described at a Point on the Lands of Dumbrock, passing Eastward through the said Lands of Dumbrock and others, to the Turnpike Road at Strathblane, and thence along the said Road to Strathblane Toll Bar; the Statute Labour Road from the Turnpike Road at Strathblane Toll Bar, passing through Haugh-head to Lennoxton; the Statute Labour Road from Rountreefauld, by Milton, to the Glasgow and Kilsyth Road at or near Auchenreoch; the Statute Labour Road from Milton, by Kincaid and Birdston, to the Glasgow and Kilsyth Road near the Post Office at Kirkintilloch; an improved Line of the present Road between Glasgow and Balfron from a Point at or near

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to Craigmaddie Loch to a Point at or near to the Watering Trough North of Milngavie, passing by or near to Bankhead, Bankend, Barrachan, and Barloch; and an improved Line of the present Turnpike Road between Glasgow and Drymen from a Point at or near to Broadmeadow North of Craigton Toll Bar to a Point at or near to Tamboyd Hill, and passing through the Lands of Auchinidden, Auchingillian, and others.

Statute Labour Roads not to be made Turnpike without the Consent of Statute Labour Trustees.

VIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Trustees to make Turnpike the aforesaid Statute Labour Roads from Strathblane Toll Bar to Lennoxton, from Rountreefauld to Auchenreoch, and from Milton to the Post Office at Kirkintilloch, without first obtaining the Consent of the Trustees of the Second District of Statute Labour Roads in the County of Stirling acting under an Act passed in the Fiftieth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George Third, Cap. 69. intituled An Act for better regulating the Statute Labour within the County of Stirling, at a General Meeting of the said District Trustees legally called and convened for the Purpose; and it shall be lawful for the Sheriff of Stirlingshire, on the Application by Petition of any Three of the said Trustees hereby appointed or of their Clerk, of which Petition Fourteen Days Notice shall be given to the said Statute Labour Trustees or to their Clerk, to determine whether such Consent has been obtained; and the Decision of the said Sheriff shall be final and conclusive, without being subject to Review by Reduction, Suspension, or Advocation, or to any Stay of Execution.

New or improved Line from Blairquhosh to Eleventh Mile Stone not to be made without Consent of **Proprietors** Duntreath bound to give Consent Conditions.

IX. Provided further, and be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful to the said Trustees to make the said improved Line of the present Road from Glasgow to Balfron between the said Point thereon at or near to the Farm of Blairquhosh, and the said other Point thereon near to the Eleventh Mile Stone from Glasgow, without first obtaining the Consent of the Proprietor for the Time being of the Lands and Estate of Duntreath, which Consent the said Proprietor shall be bound to give, on the said Trustees binding themselves to of Duntreath. his Satisfaction to shut up (which they are hereby authorized to do) Proprietor of the old Road from the Entry into Wester Ballewn, westward, to Easter Blairquhosh, whenever the said new or improved Line of Road is made and completed, and also at their own Expence, and under certain before the said new or improved Line of Road is completed, to form (which they are hereby authorized to do) a good and sufficient Service Road for the Use of the Proprietors or their Tenants in the Lands of Easter and Wester Ballewn and other Places interested, from said Entry, with a Bridge over the Blane Water into the said new Road, all at the Sight and to the Satisfaction of the Proprietor of the Estate of Duntreath or his Factor, and to maintain the same and keep it in repair at the Expence of the said Trustees in all Time coming as Part of the said new or improved Line of Road.

Road in so far as passing through Lands of Barloch, not

X. Provided further, and be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful to nor in the Power of the said Trustees to make that Portion of the foresaid improved Line of the present Road between Glasgow and Balfron from the said Point at or near to Craigmaddie Loch to the

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said Point at or near to the Watering Trough North of Milngavie, in so far as proposed to be carried through the Lands of Barloch, without without Conthe Consent in Writing of John Douglas Esquire, of Barloch, or the Proprietor for the Time being of the said Estate of Barloch.

to be made prietor.

XI. And whereas Maps or Plans of the said new or improved Maps to re-Lines of Road and Statute Labour Roads, and of the Lands through main with which the same do or are intended to pass, have been deposited at Clerks. the Offices of the Principal Sheriff Clerks of the Counties of Stirling, and Dumbarton, Lanark and Perth, together with Books of Reference showing the Names of the Owners or reputed Owners, Lessees or reputed Lessees, and Occupiers of the said Lands; be it further enacted, That the said Maps or Plans and Books of Reference shall remain in the Custody of the Principal Sheriff Clerks of the said Counties, and it shall and may be lawful for any and every Person, at all reasonable Times, to inspect and examine the same, paying not more than One Shilling for each Inspection, and also to take Extracts or Copies therefrom, paying at the Rate of not more than Sixpence for every Seventy-two Words of such Extracts or Copies.

XII. And be it enacted, That the said Trustees in making, improv- Trustees ing, or altering the said Roads may deviate from the Lines described not to devion the said Maps or Plans at all Parts of the said new and improved than One Lines of Road and Statute Labour Roads, provided that such Devia-hundred tion shall not extend more than One hundred Yards on either Side of Yards from the Lines so described, without the Consent and Approbation in Plan. Writing of the Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, through whose Lands such Deviation shall be made.

XIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the said Trustees, Proviso as to in making the said new or improved Line of the present Road from Blairquhosh to the Eleventh Milestone, shall not deviate from the Line described on the said Maps or Plans at any Part between Blairquhosh and the Farm House at Cuilt, without the Consent in Writing of the Proprietor for the Time being of the said Estate of Duntreath, any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Deviation on the Lands of Duntreath.

XIV. Provided further, and be it enacted, That it shall be lawful Road may to the said Trustees to make the said Roads into, through, across, or be made over the Lands of any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic, notwith-Corporate, or Collegiate, who is or are or shall be Owner or Owners, Error in De-Lessee or Lessees, Occupier or Occupiers of Lands over, in, or scription of through which the same is set out and described on the said Maps or Owners or Plans, although the Name or Names of such Person or Persons, Body or Bodies, may happen to be omitted in the said Books of Reference, in case it shall be made to appear to any Two or more Justices of the Peace for any of the aforesaid Counties, and be certified by Writing under their Hands, that such Error or Omission proceeded from Mistake.

XV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, and for their Surveyor or Surveyors and Workmen employed if Caution by them, from Time to Time to enter into or upon the Lands, found by Houses, Trustees. 25 R $\lceil Local. \rceil$ 

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Houses, or Premises through which or whereupon any of the Roads hereby authorized to be made, altered, or repaired is intended to pass for the Purposes of this Act; and in case any Person interested shall apply to any Judge competent for a Warrant to stop the Execution of any of the Works hereby authorized to be executed, on the ground that the Damages occasioned or to be occasioned by such Work have not been ascertained or compensated, the said Judge is hereby empowered and required to refuse such Warrant, or to recall the same if granted, upon sufficient Caution to his Satisfaction being found by the said Trustees for the Amount of such Damages as may be ultimately awarded to the Person claiming the same.

Roads to be divided into Three Districts:

First District.

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Third District.

XVI. And be it enacted, That the said Roads hereby before authorized to be made, altered, widened, improved, repaired, and maintained as Turnpike Roads shall be divided into Three separate Districts, to be called the First, Second, and Third Districts of the West Stirlingshire Turnpike Roads; and that in the said First District there shall be comprehended the Roads following, namely, the Road from Kirkintilloch to Springfield Bridge, and from thence by or near Balquharrage House to Muckcroft Bridge over the Rivulet Glassert, from thence by the present Line of Road, through the Village of New Berbieston or Lennoxton, to the Foot of the Craw Road, and from thence by Fintry to the late Military Road at or near to the Town of Kippen; the Road at or near Balquharrage House aforesaid, and passing along Powbank Bridge and along Cadder Bridge across the River Kelvin to the Junction with the Inchbelly Turnpike Road at or near the Fifth Milestone from Glasgow; and the Statute Labour Roads from Rowantreefauld to Auchenreoch, and from Mil-Second Dis- ton to the Post Office at Kirkintilloch; and in the Second District there shall be comprehended the Roads following, namely, the Road from the Military Road between Balwill and Balfunning to Killearn, from thence to Strathblane, and from thence by Milngavie to Canniesburn; the Road from the Town of Killearn to the Blane Water, and from thence, by the Laigh Parks, to the Road from Glasgow to Killearn, and the Statute Labour Road from Strathblane to Lennoxton; and in the said Third District shall be comprehended the Road from Garscube Bridge, by Canniesburn and New Kilpatrick and Stockymuir, to a Point at or near Drymen Bridge, and the Road from the Stockymuir Road at Finnich Toll Bar to the Termination of the Second District Road at the Blane Water: Provided always, that the Sum of Thirty Pounds Sterling per Annum shall be paid by the Trustees of the Second District towards the Repair of the said Piece of Road between Canniesburn and Garscube Bridge; and be it further provided, That no Toll Bar shall be placed on that Part of the said Road between the Separation of the Districts at Canniesburn and the Garscube Bridge, and that the Toll Dues collected on the Two Lines of Road at Canniesburn Bars shall be let separately, and the Proceeds shall be applied to the respective Districts accordingly.

XVII. And be it enacted, That the Tolls at present levied on the Tolls may be Roads comprehended under the said first-recited Act shall continue taken. to be levied until the Fifteenth Day of May in the Year One thou. sand eight hundred and forty-one (provided nevertheless, that the

Tolls

Tolls and Duties herein granted on Steam Carriages shall commence and become payable from and immediately after the Second Wednesday of the Month next after the passing of this Act); and thereafter the Trustees hereby appointed, or any Person or Persons duly authorized by them, shall be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to demand and take, or cause to be demanded and taken, at the several Toll Bars or Turnpike Gates already erected, or which may hereafter be erected on the several Roads herein-before authorized to be made, altered, widened, improved, repaired, and maintained, a Sum not exceeding the Rates and Duties after specified, before any Horse, Mule, Ass, Cattle great or small, Coach, Landau, Chariot, Berlin, Chaise, Hearse, Chair, Calash, Litter, Waggon, Wain, Cart, Sledge, Hurley, Wheelbarrow, Carriage propelled by Steam or otherwise than by animal Power, or any other Carriage whatsoever, shall be permitted to pass through any Toll Bar, Gate, or Turnpike, continued or erected or to be erected on the said Roads; that is to say,

For every Horse or Beast of Draught drawing any Coach, Barouche, Berlin, Chariot, Landau, Chaise, Curricle, Calash, Chair, Hearse, or other such Carriage, or any Stage Coach, Long Coach, or Diligence, or Carriage of the like Kind, any Sum not exceeding the Sum of One Shilling; but if such Carriage is drawn upon Two Wheels, then any Sum not exceeding the Sum of Nine-pence: and if the said Trustees shall think proper, for every Horse or Beast of Draught, drawing any Stage Coach, Long Coach, Diligence, or Carriage of the like Kind, any Sum in addition to the aforesaid Rates not exceeding One Half more:

For every Horse or Beast of Draught drawing any Two-wheeled Van, Caravan, Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other such Carriage, and where any such Carriage and the Loading thereof taken together shall not exceed Twenty-five Hundred Weight Imperial, any Sum not exceeding the Sum of Nine-pence; and for every Hundred Weight Imperial which such Carriage, with the Loading thereof, shall weigh above Twenty-five Hundred Weight, a Sum not exceeding One Penny; and for every Hundred Weight Imperial which such Carriage, with the Loading thereof, shall weigh above Thirty Hundred Weight, a Sum not exceeding Two-pence:

For every Van, Caravan, Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other such Carriage drawn on more than Two Wheels, if not more than One Horse or Beast of Draught is drawing the same, any Sum not exceeding the Sum of Nine-pence; and for every Horse or other Beast of Draught that shall be drawing the same more than One, any Sum not ex-

ceeding the Sum of One Shilling:

For every Coach, Carriage, Waggon, or other Conveyance whatever, drawn or propelled otherwise than by animal Power, when such Carriage with the Loading thereof and Engine, or other Power drawing or propelling the same, taken together, shall not exceed Twenty Hundred Weight Imperial, the Sum of Two Shillings; and for every Hundred Weight Imperial which such Carriage, with the Loading thereof, and Engine or other Power drawing or propelling the same, taken together, shall weigh above Twenty Hundred Weight, the Sum of Two-pence:

For every Horse or Mule, laden or unladen, and not drawing, a Sum

not exceeding the Sum of Three-pence:

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For every Ass, laden or unladen, and not drawing, a Sum not exceeding the Sum of Two-pence:

For every Head of Oxen or Neat Cattle, a Sum not exceeding the

Sum of One Penny:

For every Head of Calves, Hogs, Sheep, Lambs, or Goats, a Sum not exceeding the Sum of One Halfpenny:

For Horses or Fillies unshod, a Sum not exceeding the Sum of One Penny per Head:

No Main
Bar to be
erected between Canniesburn and
the Ninth
Milestone
from Glasgow.

XVIII. And be it enacted, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, That from and after the Fifteenth Day of May Eighteen hundred and forty-one the said Trustees shall not erect, or continue or demand any Rate or Duty at, any Toll Bar or Turnpike Gate across the Main Road in the said Third District between Canniesburn Toll Bar and a Point to the North of the Ninth Milestone from Glasgow, where the improved Line of the said Road is proposed to commence: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be held to take away or limit the Power of erecting Side Bars contained in the said recited Act passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King William the Fourth.

Tolls not to be paid again at Gates within Four Miles of each other on Production of Pass Tickets.

XIX. Provided further, and be it enacted, That in case there are or shall be erected in the course of any of the said Turnpike Roads any Toll Bar, Gate or Gates, Turnpike or Turnpikes, at less Distance from each other than Four Statute Miles, then any Person or Persons paying Toll Duty at any one of these Toll Bars, Gates, or Turnpikes, and obtaining a Ticket showing the Payment of such Toll Duty, and producing such Ticket at the next of the said Toll Bars, Gates, or Turnpikes at which such Person or Persons shall arrive, shall not, on the same Day, and for the same Horse or other Cattle or Carriage, with the same Loading, pay any Toll Duty at such next Toll Bar, Gate, or Turnpike, which shall be within Four Statute Miles of the former, at which the Toll denoted by such Ticket shall have been paid.

Toll Gatherer may give Evidence. XX. And be it enacted, That in all Cases where any Dispute, Suit, or Litigation shall arise touching or in any ways relating to the said Tolls and Duties, the Person or Persons appointed to collect the same, or any other Person or Persons acting by or under the Authority of the said respective Trustees, shall not by reason thereof be disqualified from giving Evidence in any such Dispute, Suit, or Litigation.

Application of Money.

XXI. And be it enacted, That the said Trustees in General Meeting assembled shall, out of the Tolls to arise or be levied at the several Bars, Gates, or Turnpikes to be continued and erected in the foresaid respective Districts of Roads, direct the Costs and Expences relative to the obtaining of this Act to be paid in manner herein-after mentioned; and the Remainder of the Monies arising from each District respectively shall be applied by them, first, towards the repairing and maintaining the said Roads within such District, and then, in payment

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payment of the Interest of the Sums already borrowed or hereafter to be borrowed on each such District respectively; and the annual Surplus arising from each District shall be applied as follows; namely, such Portion thereof, not being less than One Third, as it may be considered expedient from Time to Time to devote for that Purpose, shall be placed in a Chartered Bank, in the Name of the Treasurer for the Time being, as a Sinking Fund, separate and distinct from the other Funds of the Trust, under the Direction of a Committee of Trustees to be appointed at the annual General Meeting, to be solely applied in paying off the Bonded Debt of the said respective Districts; and the Remainder of such annual Surplus, if any, shall be applied in making, altering, and improving the said Roads in such Districts respectively, reserving always the respective Rights of Creditors as herein-before provided.

XXII. And be it enacted, That the said Trustees shall meet at First Gene-Glasgow on the Second Wednesday of the Month next after the passing of this Act, or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, and proceed to put this Act into execution; and at the said First and all other Meetings of the said Trustees Three shall be a Quorum.

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XXIII. And be it enacted, That the said Trustees shall once in Trustees to each Year cause to be prepared an Account in Abstract of the Total render an Receipts and Expenditure of all Funds levied by virtue of this Act Account, for the Year preceding, under the several distinct Heads of Receipts and transmit and Expenditure, with a Statement of the Balance of the said Account a Copy duly attested and certified by the Clerk to the said Trustees; and thereof to shall cause a Copy of such annual Account to be transmitted free of Clerk of Charge to the Sheriff Clerk of the County of Stirling, on or before Stirling. the First Day of January in each Year, under a Penalty of Twenty Pounds in case of default, to be sued for and levied by summary Process, at the Instance of any Person authorized by the last-recited Act of His Majesty King William the Fourth to prosecute for Tolls and Penalties, in the same Manner as Penalties are authorized by the said Act to be sued for and levied, and be applied in the Manner in which Penalties not otherwise directed to be applied are thereby directed to be applied; and such Account shall be open at all seasonable Hours to the Inspection of the Public, upon Payment of One Shilling for such Inspection, or if written Extracts are required therefrom, at the Rate of Sixpence for each Folio of Seventy-two Words.

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XXIV. And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be The Roads deemed or construed to exempt the Turnpike Roads by this Act and the said herein-before recited Acts authorized to be made from the sions of any Provisions of any general Act relating to the Consolidation or other General Act. improved Arrangement of Turnpike Roads which may pass during the present or any future Session of Parliament.

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XXV. And be it enacted, That all Costs and Charges of procuring Charges of and passing this Act, and incident thereto, shall be allocated on the this Act how said Districts respectively, and paid by the Trustees out of the to be defrayed.

Monies authorized to be raised by the said recited Acts and this Act, in proportion to the respective annual Revenues of the said Districts.  $\lceil Local. \rceil$ XXVI. And 25 S

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Commencement and Duration of Act. XXVI. And be it enacted, That the Powers by this Act granted shall commence upon the Second *Wednesday* of the Month next after the passing of this Act, and shall continue from thence during the Term of Thirty-one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

Public Act.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judically taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others.

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