

Defence Act 1842

1842 CHAPTER 94

X Power given to Bodies Politic and others to treat.

And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for all Bodies Politic or Corporate, Ecclesiastical or Civil, and all Feoffees or Trustees for charitable or other public Purposes, and for all Tenants for Life and Tenants in Tail, and for the Husbands, Guardians, Trustees, Committees, Curators, or Attornies of such of the Owners or Proprietors of or Persons interested in any Messuages, Buildings, Castles, Forts, Lines, or other Fortifications, Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, which have been or may be hereafter agreed to be purchased or taken for the Use of the said Ordnance Department, as shall be Femes Covert, Infants, Lunatics, Idiots, or Persons beyond the Seas, or otherwise incapable of acting for themselves, to contract or agree with the said principal Officers for the Time being, either for the absolute Sale or Exchange of any such Messuages, Buildings, Castles, Forts, Lines, or other Fortifications, Manors, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Sale of any Reversion after any Estate or Estates for Lives or Years, or for the Grant of any Lease either for Life or Lives, or for any Term of Years certain, therein, or for such Period as the Exigency of the public Service shall require, and to convey, surrender, demise, or grant the same accordingly; and all Contracts, Sales, Conveyances, Enfranchisements, Surrenders, Leases, and Agreements which shall be made in pursuance hereof shall be valid and effectual in Law to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, and shall be a complete Bar to all Dower and Claims of Dower, Estates Tail and other Estates, Rights, Titles, Trusts, and Interests whatsoever.