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GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. 49.

An Act for continuing the Term, and altering and enlarging the Powers of Two Acts, passed in the Secondand Seventeenth Years of His present Majesty, for repairing the Road leading from the Turnpike Road on Farrard's Common through Holt and Melksham, to Homan's Stile, in the Parish of Lacock, in the County of Wilts. [23d May 1806.]

HEREAS an Act was passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for repairing, widening, turning, and 2 G. 3. c. 59. shortening the Road leading from the Turnpike Road on Farrard's Common, in the Parish of Bradford, through Holt and Melksham, to Homan's Stile, in the Parish of Laccek, in the County of Wilts: And whereas an Act was passed in the Seventeenth Year of His said Majesty's Reign, 17 G. 3. c. 71. for continuing the Term and enlarging the Powers of the said Act; and for completing a Communication between the said Road, and the Bath Turnpike Road upon Kingsdown Hill, in the same County: And whereas the Trustees appointed in or by virtue of the said Acts have proceeded to put the same in Execution, for which Purpose they have borrowed several considerable Sums of Money on the Credit of the Tolls granted and continued by the said Acts, which still remain due and owing, and cannot be paid off, nor can the Roads comprised in the said Acts be properly amended, widened improved, and kept in Repair, unless the Term granted and continued by the said Acts is further continued, and some of the Powers [Loc. & Per.] and

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and Provisions thereof altered, amended, and enlarged; and it is necesfary that the Toll- granted by the said first recited Act should be increased; May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said Acts passed in the Second and Seventeenth Years of the Reign of His said present Majesty, and all and every the Clauses, Powers, Authorities, Provisions, Regulations, Penalties, Forfeitures, Matters, and Things therein respectively contained, (except such as relate to Exemptions from Stamp. Duties, and also except so much and such Part or Parts thereof as are by this Act repealed) shall be and continue in full force and effect, and shall be executed for and during the Term herein after mentioned, as fully and effectually, to all intents and Purpoles, as if the same were repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act; but subject nevertheless to the Amendments, Variations, Alterations, and Additions herein contained, and which (except the Tolls herein-after granted) shall commence and take effect from the passing of this Act; and this Act, and the additional Term and Tolls hereby granted, shall be subject and liable as well to the Payment of all Money now due and owing on the Credit of the said Acts, or on the Credit of the Tolls thereby granted and continued, and now payable at the several Gates or Turnpikes now erected or hereafter to be erected on the faid Roads, as also to the Payment of all Sums of Money which shall hereafter be borrowed for the Purposes of this Act, and of the Interest due and to grow due for the same respectively.

For repealing former Tolls and granting new Tolls. II. And whereas the Tolls granted and continued by the said Acts have been sound insufficient; be it therefore enacted, That, from and after the Fourth Day of June next after the passing of this Act, the said Tolls shall be and the same are hereby repealed; and that instead thereof there shall be demanded and taken, before any Horse, Cattle, or Carriage shall be permitted to pass through any Gate or Turnpike now erected or hereaster to be erected on the said Roads, or on any Part thereof, such Tolls as the said Trustees or any Five or more of them shall from Time to Time appoint, not exceeding the several and respective Sums herein-after mentioned; (that is to say),

Polls.

For every Horse, or other Beast, drawing any Waggon, Wain, Cart,

Sledge, Dray, or other such Carriage, the Sum of Sixpence:

For every Horse, or other Beast, drawing any Coach, Chariot, Landau, Berlin, Hearse, Curricle, Chair, or other Carriage, of whatever Description, the Sum of Sixpence:

For every Horle, Mare, or Gelding, with a Collar on, the Sum of Six

Pence:

For every Horse, Mare, Gelding, Mule, or Ass, laden or unladen, and

not drawing, the Sum of Two Pence:

For every Drove of Oxen, Cows, or Neat Cattle, the Sum of One Shilling and Three Pence per Score; and so in proportion for any greater or less Number: And,

For every Drove of Calves, Sheep, Lambs, or Swine, the Sum of Seven Pence Halfpenny per Score; and so in proportion for any greater or less

Number. Which

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Which said several and respective Tolls hereby granted shall be and the same are hereby vested in the Trustees for executing the said Acts, and this Act; and the same and every Part thereof shall be collected, recovered, levied, paid, applied, alligned, lessened, varied, and disposed of, in such and the same Manner, and by such and the same Ways and Means, and with such Powers, Provisions, Remedies, and Restrictions, as are contained in the said recited Acts respecting the Tolls thereby authorized to be taken.:

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in all Cases where Two Oxen any Waggon, Cart, or other such Carriage shall be drawn by Oxen or deemed one other Neat Cattle, Two such Oxen or Neat Cattle shall for the Purposes Horse. of the said Acts and this Act be considered as One Horse.

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IV. And be it further enacted, Tkat no Toll shall be demanded or taken General for any Waggens, Wains, Carts, Carriages, or Horses employed in carry. Exemptions ing or conveying, or going to carry or convey, or returning from carrying or conveying, having been employed only in carrying or conveying on the same Day any Stones, Bricks, Timber, Wood, Gravel, or other Materials for repairing of the said Roads, or any of the Roads in the Townships or Parishes in which any Part of such Roads doth lie; or Hay, Straw, or Corn in the Straw only, not fold or disposed of, but passing to be laid up or placed in the Out-houses, or on the Lands of the Owners thereof; or for any Waggons, Wains, Carts, Carriages, or Horses employed in carrying or conveying, or going empty to carry or convey, or returning from carrying or conveying, having been employed only in carrying or conveying any Ploughs, Harrows, or Implements of Husbandry, or any Mould, Dungs Compost, or Manure employed in Husbandry for manuring or improving Lands, or for any other Thing employed in the Management of any Farm or Lands, or for any Horses or Cattle going to or returning from Pasture or Watering Places, or going to be or returning from being shoed or farried; or from any Person going to or returning from his proper Parochial Church, Chapel, or other Place of Religious Worship tolerated by Law, on a Sunday, or on any other Day on which Divine Service is ordered by Authority to be celebrated, or attending the Funeral of any Person that shall die and be buried in any of the said Parishes; or from any Clergyman going to or returning from visiting any sick Person, or upon other his Parochial or Ministerial Duty on a Sunday, or on any other Day on which Divine Service is ordered by Authority to be celebrated; or for any Horses, Cattle, or Carriages of whatfoever Description, employed or to be employed in conveying the Mails of Letters and Expresses under the Authority of His Majesty's Postmaster General, either when employed in conveying, fetching, or guarding such Mails or Expresses, or in returning back from conveying the same; or for any Horses, Carts, or Waggons, attending any Soldiers upon their March or on Duty, or drawing any Carriage attending them with their Arms or Baggage; or for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding furnished by or for any Persons belonging to any Corps of Yeomanry or Volunteer Cavalry, and rode by them in going to or returning from the Place of Exercise, provided such Persons are in the Uniform of their respective Corps, and have their Arms, Furniture, and Accourrements according to the Regulations provided for fuch Corps respectively at the Time of claiming such Exemption as aforesaid; or for any Horses, Carts, or Waggons employed in the Conveyance of Vagrants sent by legal Passes; or for any Horse, Cattle, or Beast, drawing any Coach, Landau, Berlin,

Chariot, Calash, Chair, or Passenger on Horseback, going to or returning from any Election of a Knight or Knights of the Shire to serve in Parliament for the said County of Wilts, on the Day or Days of such Election or on the Day before or Day after such Election shall begin or be concluded; and if any Person or Persons shall in any fraudulent or collusive Manner whatsoever claim and take the Benefit of any of the Exemptions aforesaid, not being entitled to the same, every such Person shall for seit and pay for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings, One Moiety whereof shall go to the Informer, and the other Moiety shall be applied to the Purposes of the said Acts and this Act.

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V. And be it further enacted, That all Persons who by Law are or shall be liable to do Statute Work, or are or shall be chargeable towards repairing and amending the Roads comprised in the said recited Acts, or either of them, or any Part thereof, shall still remain liable thereto in like Manner as heretofore; and it shall be lawful for any Two or more Justices of the Peace for the said County, and they are hereby required and empowered upon Application made to them by the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, or by their Treasurer, Clerk, Surveyor, or by their Order, yearly to adjudge and determine what Part or Proportion of the Statute Work shall every Year be done upon the said Roads, by the Inhabitants of the respective Parishes or Places in which the said Roads lie; and also what Proportion of the Money received by the Surveyor or Surveyors of the Highways of every fuch Parish or Place, in lieu of or as a Composition for such Statute Work as aforesaid, shall be by him, her, or them paid to the said Trustees, or to their Treasurer or Treasurers; and in order thereunto it shall be lawful for such Justices from Time to Time to summon the Surveyor or Surveyors of the Highways of every such Parish or Place, to bring in Lists before such Justices, at some Place to be expressed in such Summons, (within Ten Days after the serving of such Summons) of the Names of the several Persons who within such Parish or Place are by Law subject and liable to do Statute Work for that Year, or to the Payment of any Money in lieu of or as a Composition for such Statute Work, distinguishing the Nature of the Work to be done, whether with Teams or Draughts, or otherwise, and also the Amount of the respective Sums to be paid, which Lists of Names shall be made in such Manner and under such Regulations and Restrictions as are or may be directed by any Law or Statute in force and effect for the Repairs of the public Highways; and out of such Lists the said Justices shall and may allot, appoint, and order, such and so many of the Persons who shall appear subject and liable to Statute Work as aforesaid, to do such Number of Days Statute Work in every Year upon the said Roads as the said Justices shall think reasonable, and the same shall be done at such Days and at such Times (not being Haytime or Harvest) and in such Parts of the said Roads as the said Trustees or their Surveyor or Surveyors shall from Time to Time order, direct, and appoint; and the said Justices shall and may also order and direct the Perfons who by such Lists shall appear to be subject and liable to the Payment of any Money in lieu of or as a Composition for Statute Work as aforesaid, to pay such Proportion thereof as the said Justices shall think proper, to the said Trustees or their Treasurer, at such Time or Times as the said Justices shall direct; and in Default of Payment thereof the same shall and may be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the respective Persons liable to the Payment thereof, in like Manner as

any Penalty is by the said Acts authorized or directed to be recovered; and each and every Person who shall neglect or refuse to do such Statute Work as aforesaid, after Notice in Writing given to or left for him, her, or them, at his, her, or their usual Place or Places of Abode for that Purpose, by any Surveyor to the said Trustees, shall for every Day of his, her, or their Default, or the Default of any Labourer or Labourers, Team or Teams, Draught or Draughts, Horse or Horses, Beast or Beasts, to be provided by him, her, or them, be subject and liable to such Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures as such Person or Persons may be subject or liable to by any Law or Statute in force or effect for the Repair of the public Highways; and if any Person who shall come to work as a Labourer, or shall be sent with any Team or Draught to work on the said Roads, shall be found idle or negligent by any Surveyor to the said Trustees, such Surveyor is hereby. empowered to remove and dismiss the Person who shall be found idle or negligent as aforesaid; and in that Case every such Person shall be subject and liable to the respective Forfeitures and Payments as aforesaid, as if he had neglected or refused to come, or such Team or Draught had not been fent to work on any Part of the said Roads; all which Forfeitures shall be paid to the Treasurer to the said Trustees, and applied towards amending the said Roads; and in case the said Surveyor or Surveyors of the Highways for any of the said Parishes or Places shall refuse or wilfully neglect to give in such Lists as aforesaid, or shall knowingly and wilfully give in false and imperfect Lists, every such Surveyor so offending shall for every fuch Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings.

VI. And be it further enacted, That if any Money shall be paid or agreed Application or awarded to be paid for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or He of Compenreditaments purchased, taken, or used by virtue of the Powers of the said Acts and this Act, for the Purposes thereof, which shall belong to any 2001. Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or to any Feoffee in Trust, Executor, Administrator, Husband, Guardian, Committee, or other Trustee for or on Behalf of any Infant, Lunatic, Idiot, Feme Covert, or other Cestuique Trust, or to any Person whose Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments are limited in strict or other Settlement, or to any Person under any other Disability or Incapacity whatsoever, such Money shall, in case the same shall amount to the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, with all convenient Speed be paid into the Bank of England, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account there ex parte the Trustees for executing the said Acts and this Act, to the Intent that such Money shall be applied under the Directions and with the Approbation of the said Court, to be signified by an Order, made upon a Petition to be preferred in a fummary way, by the Person or Persons who would have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the Purchase or Redemption of the Land Tax, or Discharge of any Debt or Debts, or such other Incumbrances, or Part thereof, as the said Court shall authorize to be paid, affecting the same Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or affecting other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments standing settled therewith, to the same or the like Uses, Intents, or Purposes; or where such Money shall not be so applied, then the same shall be laid out and invested, under the like Direction and Approbation of the said Court, in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall be conveyed and settled to, for, and upon such [Loc. & Per.] rr T and.

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and the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes, and in the same Manner, as the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which shall be so purchased, taken, or used as aforesaid stood settled or limited, or such of them as at the Time of making such Conveyance and Settlement shall be existing undetermined and capable of taking Effect; and in the mean Time and until such Purchase shall be made, the said Money shall, by Order of the said Court, upon Application thereto, be invested by the faid Accountant General, in his Name, in the Purchase of 1 hree Pounds per Centum Consolidated or Three Pounds per Centum Reduced Bank Annuities; and in the mean Time and until the said Bank Annuities shall be ordered by the said Court to be sold for the Purpose aforesaid, the Dividends and annual Produce of the said Consolidated or Reduced Bank Annuities shall from Time to Time be paid, by Order of the said Court, to the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments to be purchased by virtue of the said recited Acts and this Act in case such Purchase or Settlement were made.

Application than 200l. and exceeding

VII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Money of Compensa-tion when less so agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes aforesaid, and belonging to any Corporation, or to any Person or Persons under any Disability or Incapacity as aforesaid, shall be less than the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, and shall exceed or be equal to the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then and in all such Cases the same shall, at the Option of the Person or Persons for the Time being entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used, or of his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, in case of Infancy, Idiotcy, or Lunacy, to be signified in Writing under their respective Hands, be paid into the Bank of England, in the Name and with the Privity of the said Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, and be placed to his Account as aforesaid, in order to be applied in Manner herein-before directed; or otherwise the same shall be paid, at the like Option, to Two Trustees, to be nominated by the Person or Persons making such Option, and approved of by Five of the Trustees for executing the said recited Act and this Act, (such Nomination and Approbation to be signified in Writing under the Hands of the nominating and approving Parties) in order that such Principal Money, and the Dividends arising thereon, may be applied in manner herein-before directed, so far as the Case be applicable, without obtaining or being required to obtain the Direction and Approbation of the Court of Chancery.

Application where the Money is less than aol.

VIII. Provided also, and be it enacted, That where such Money so agreed or awarded to be paid as next before-mentioned, shall be less than Twenty Pounds, then and in all such Cases the same shall be applied to the Use of the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes of the said recited Acts, and this Act, in such Manner as the said Trustees shall think fit; or in case of Infancy, Idiotcy, or Lunacy, then such Money shall be paid to his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, to and for the Use and Benefit of such Person or Persons so entitled respectively.

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IX. And be it further enacted, That in case the Person or Persons to In case of whom any Sum or Sums of Money shall be awarded for the Purchase of not making out Titles. any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased by virtue of the said recited Acts and this Act, shall refuse to accept the same, or shall not be able to make a good Title to the Premises, to the Satisfaction of the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them; or in case such Person or Persons to whom such Sum or Sums of Money shall be so awarded as aforesaid cannot be found, or if the Person or Persons entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, be not known or discovered, then and in every such Gase it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, to order the said Sum or Sums of Money so awarded as aforesaid to be paid into the Bank of England, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account to the Credit of the Parties interested in the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments [describing them], subject to the Order, Controul, and Disposition of the said Court of Chancery; which said Court of Chancery, on the Application of any Person or Persons making Claim to such Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, by Motion or Petition, shall be and is hereby empowered, in a summary way of Proceeding, or otherwise, as to the same Court shall feem meet, to order the same to be laid out and invested in the Public Funds, and to order Distribution thereof, or Payment of the Dividends thereof, according to the respective Estate or Estates, Title or Interest. of the Person or Persons making Claim thereunto, and to make such other Order in the Premises as to the said Court shall seem just and reasonable; and the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank of England who shall receive such Sum or Sums of Money, is and are hereby required to give a Receipt or Receipts for such Sum or Sums of Money, mentioning and specifying for what and for whose Use the same is or are received, to such Person or Persons as shall pay any such Sum or Sums of Money into the Bank as aforesaid.

X. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where any Question shall arise touching the Title of any Person to any Money to be paid into the Bank of England, in the Name and with the Privity of the Account- arise touching ant General of the Court of Chancery, in pursuance of this Act, for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, or of any Estate, Persons who Right, or Interest in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased in pursuance of the said recited Acts and this Act, or to any Bank Annuities to be purchased with any such Money, or the Dividends or Interest of any such Bank Annuities, the Person or Persons who shall have been in Possession of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, at the Time of such Purchase, and all Persons claiming under such Person or Persons, or under the Possession of such Person or Persons, shall be deemed and taken to have been lawfully entitled to fuch Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, according to such l'ossession, until the contrary shall be shown to the Sausfaction of the said Court of Chancery; and the Dividends or Interest of the Bank Annuities to be purchased with such Money, and also the Capital of such Bank Annuities, shall be paid, applied, and disposed of accordingly, unless it shall be made appear to the said Court that such Possession was a wrongful Possession, and that some other Person or Persons was or were lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments or to some Estate or Interest therein.

Where any Question shall the Money to be paid, the shall be in Possession of the Land at the Time of fuch Purchase, shall be deemed entitled thereunto according to fuch Possession, unless, &c.

The Court of Chancery may order reason-able Expences of Purchases to be paid by the Trustees.

XI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where, by reason of any Disability or Incapacity of the Person or Persons, or Corporation, entitled to any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased under the Authority of the said recited Acts and this Act, the Purchase Money for the same shall be required to be paid into the Court of Chancery, and to be applied in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be settled to the like Uses, in pursuance of the said recited Acts and this Act, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Court of Chancery to order the Expences of all Purchases from Time to Time to be made in pursuance of the said Acts, and this Act, or so much of such Expences at the said Court shall deem reasonable, to be paid by the said Trustees out of the Monies to be received by virtue of the said Acts and this Act, who shall from Time to Time pay such Sums of Money for such Purposes as the said Court shall direct.

For paying the Expences of this Act.

XII. And be it further enacted, That all the Charges and Expences incident to and attending the obtaining and passing of this Act, shall be defrayed out of the Monies already received, or the first Monies which shall arise or be received by virtue of the said Acts or of this Act, in preference to all other Payments whatsoever.

Publick Act.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Publick Act, and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others, without being specially pleaded.

Commencement and Duration of it. XIV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence upon the passing thereof, and shall continue and be in force, and be executed for and during the Residue now to come and unexpired of the Term granted by the said recited Acts, and from the Expiration thereof for and during the further Term of Twenty-one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

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