

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO PRIMO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. 189.

An Act for inclosing Lands in the Parish of Kingston, in the County of Hereford. [15th June 1811.]

HEREAS there are within the Parish of Kingston otherwise Kingston Forges, in the County of Hereford, divers Lands and Grounds in certain Fields there, called Kipperley Field, Christ otherwise Chrise Field, Barrow Field, and Brook Field, lying dispersed and intermixed in small Parcels, containing in the whole Two hundred and feventy Acres or thereabouts: And whereas William Croome Esquire, the Reverend George Gretton Doctor in Divinity, as Dean of the Cathedral Church of Hereford, the Custos and Vicars of the College of Vicars in the Choir of the faid Cathedral Church of Hereford (and their Lesses), the Reverend Henry Wetherell Clerk, as Vicar of the said Parish of Kingston, John Moor Green Esquire, and others, are Proprietors of the faid Lands and Grounds: And whereas an Act was passed in the Fortyfirst Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act for consolidating in one Act certain Provisions usually inserted in Acts of Inclosure, and for facilitating the Mode of proving the several Facts usually required on the passing of such Acts: And whereas it would be very advantageous to the feveral Owners and Proprietors of the faid Lands and Grounds if the fame were divided and inclosed, and specific Allotments made to them thereof, according to their several and respective Lands and Right of Soil therein; but the same cannot be done without the Aid and Authority of Parliament; 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 Henry Price, of the City of Hereford, Gentleman, and his Successor Commisfor the Time being, to be elected in Manner hereinafter mentioned, shall sioner. be, and he is hereby appointed Commissioner for dividing, allotting and

[Loc. & Per.]

inclosing the said Lands and Grounds, and for carrying this Act into Execution in the Manner and subject to the Rules, Orders and Directions herein contained, and also subject to the Regulations and Provisions of the said recited Act, except where the same are hereby altered or varied.

For appointing a new Commisdioner,

- II. And be it further enacted, That if the said Henry Price, or his Successor for the Time being, to be appointed in Manner hereinafter mentioned, shall die or refuse to act, or become incapable of acting as a Commissioner for the Purposes of this Act, the Dean, and Custos and Vicars of the said Church of Hereford for the Time being, shall, within Two Calendar Months then next following, or as soon after as Occasion may require, by Writing under their Common Seal, nominate and appoint fome other proper Person not interested in the said Division and Inclosure, to be a Commissioner, in the Room of every Commissioner who shall so die or refuse to act, or become incapable of acting as aforesaid; and every new Commissioner so to be appointed as aforesaid shall have the like Powers and Authorities for putting this Act in Execution in all Respects whatsoever, as the Commissioner in whose Place he shall have been appointed was invested with; which Appointment and Appointments shall be annexed to the Award of the said Commissioner to be made in pursuance of this and of the said recited Act, and be inrolled therewith.

given of Meetings and Attendances.

Notice to be III. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioner shall and he is hereby required to give public Notice, by Writing under his Hand, to be affixed upon the Principal outer Door of the Parish Church of Kingston otherwise Kingston Forges aforesaid, upon some Sunday immediately preceding Divine Service, and also by Advertisement, to be inserted in some Newspaper printed and circulated in the County of Hereford, if any shall then be, of the Time and Place of his first and every other Meeting or Attendance for executing the Powers hereby vested in him, at least Ten Days before every fuch Meeting or Attendance shall be held, except Meetings or Attendances by Adjournment only; and if at the Time and Place appointed for such Meeting or Attendance, the Commissioner shall not attend, it shall be lawful for the Clerk to the said Commissioner to adjourn such Meeting or Attendance to such Time and Place as he shall think most convenient: Provided always, that all the Meetings and Attendances of the said Commissioner shall be held within the said Parish of Kingston, or within Eight Miles thereof.

Other Notices how to be given.

" IV. And be it further enacted, That all other Notices necessary to be given by the said Commissioner, shall be made and given by Advertisement, to be inserted in some Newspaper printed and circulated in the said County of Hereford.

Commission. er to determine Difputes.

V. And be it further enacted, That if any Dispute or Difference shall arise between any of the Parties interested or claiming to be interested in the Lands and Grounds to be divided, allotted and inclosed, in pursuance of this Act or any Part thereof, touching or concerning the several Rights and Interests which they or any of them shall have or claim to have, in, over, upon or out of the said Lands and Grounds, or any Part thereof, or touching or concerning any other Matter or Thing relating to the faid Division, Allotment and Inclosure, it shall be lawful for the said Commisiioner.

sioner, and he is hereby authorized to examine into, hear and determine the same: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall authorize the said Commissioner to determine the Title to any Messuage, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments whatsoever.

VI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act Persons in contained shall extend to enable the said Commissioner to determine any Right between any Parties, contrary to the Possession of any of such Par-lested without ties; but in case the said Commissioner shall be of Opinion against the due Course Right of the Person or Persons so in Possession, he shall forbear to make of Law. any Determination thereupon until the Possession shall have been given up by such Person or Persons, or recovered from such Person or Persons by Ejectment or other due Course of Law.

VII. And be it further enacted, That in case the said Commissioner Commissionshall, on the Hearing and Determination of any Claim or Claims, Objection award Costs. or Objections, to be delivered to him in pursuance of this or the said recited Act, or on the Hearing of any such Dispute or Difference as aforesaid, see Cause to award any Costs, it shall be lawful for him, and he is hereby empowered, on Application made to him for that Purpose, to settle, assess and award such Costs and Charges as he shall think reasonable, to be paid to the Party or Parties in whose Favour any Determination of the said Commissioner shall be made by the Person or Persons against whom any such Determination shall be made; and in case the Person or Persons who shall be liable to pay such Costs and Charges shall neglect or resuse to pay the same on Demand, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for the said Commissioner and he is hereby required and authorized, by Warrant under his Hand directed to any Person or Persons whomsoever, to cause fuch Costs and Charges to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons so neglecting or refusing to pay the fame, rendering on Demand the Overplus (if any), after deducting the Costs and Expences attending such Distress and Sale, to the Person or Persons whose Goods and Chattels have been so distrained and sold.

VIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in case any Per-Parties may fon or Persons interested or claiming to be interested in the said Division try their and Inclosure, shall be distatisfied with any Determination of the said Rights by an Commissioner, touching or concerning any Claim or Claims of Dial Blue at Law. Commissioner, touching or concerning any Claim or Claims of any Right of Common, or other Rights or Interests, in, over, upon or out of the Lands and Grounds intended to be divided, allotted and inclosed in purfuance of this Act or any Part thereof, it shall be lawful for the Person or Persons so distatisfied to proceed to a Trial at Law of the Matter so determined by the said Commissioner, at the First or Second Assizes to be holden for the said County of Hereford next after the Determination of the faid Commissioner; and for that Purpose the Person or Persons who shall be dissatissied with such Determination, shall cause an Action to be brought, upon a feigned Issue, against the Person or Persons in whose Favour such Determination shall have been made, within Six Calendar Months next after the Determination of the said Commissioner; and the Defendant or Defendants in such Action or Actions shall, and he, she or they is and are hereby required to name an Attorney or Attornies, who "Ihall appear thereto, or file Common Bail, and accept one or more Issue or Issues whereby such Claim or Claims, and the Rights thereby infilted

infisted on, may be tried and determined, (such Issue or Issues to be settled by the proper Officer of the Court in which the said Action or Actions shall be commenced, in case the Parties shall differ about the same); and the Verdict or Verdicts which shall be given in such Action or Actions, shall be final, binding and conclusive upon all and every the Person and Persons whomsoever, unless the Court wherein such Action or Actions shall be brought shall set aside such Verdict or Verdicts, and order a new Trial to be had therein, which it shall be lawful for the Court to do as is usual in other cases; and that after such Verdict or Verdicts shall be obtained, and not set aside by the Court, the said Commissioner shall and he is hereby required to act in conformity thereto, and to allow or difallow the Claim or Claims thereby determined, according to the Event of fuch Trial or Trials: Provided always, that if the Determination of the faid Commissioner touching such Claim or Claims to such Rights of Common, or other Rights or Interest, over, upon or out of the said Lands and Grounds hereby directed to be divided, allotted and inclosed, or any Part thereof, shall not be objected to, or being so objected to, in case the Party or Parties objecting shall not cause such Action at Law to be brought and ... proceeded in within Six Calendar Months as aforesaid, then the Determination of the said Commissioner shall be binding, final and conclusive upon all Parties whomsoever.

Proceedings not to abate by Death of Parties.

IX. And be it further enacted, That if any of the Parties in any Action is to be brought in pursuance of this or the said recited Act, shall die pending the same, such Action shall not abate by reason thereof, but shall be proceeded in as if no fuch Event had happened.

In case of ties before Action brought, the fame to be carried on and defended in their Names.

X. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Person or Death of Par- Persons in whose Favour any such Determination as aforesaid shall have been made, and against whom any such Action or Actions might have been brought, if living, shall die before any such Action or Actions shall have been brought, and before the Expiration of the Time hereinbefore limited for bringing such Action or Actions, it shall be lawful for the Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, who might have brought such Action or Actions against the Person or Persons so dying, to bring the same within the Time so limited as aforesaid, against such Person or Perfons as if actually living, and to ferve the Clerk or Clerks of the faid Commissioner with Process for commencing such Action or Actions, in the same Manner as the Party or Parties might have been served therewith if living; and it shall thereupon be incumbent on the Heir or Heirs, or other Person or Persons who shall claim the Benefit of such Determination as aforefaid; to appear and defend such Action or Actions in the Name or Names of the Person or Persons so dead; and Proceedings shall be had therein in the same Manner as if such Person or Persons had been actually living, and the Rights of all Parties shall be equally bound and concluded by the Event of such Action or Actions.

What Lands shall be inclosed.

XI. And, for the better ascertaining what Lands shall be divided, allotted and inclosed, pursuant to this Act, be it further enacted, That all the Open and Uninclosed Lands in the said Fields, called Kipperley Field, Christ otherwise Chrise Field, Barrow Field, and Brook Field; and also all Inclosures therein, containing the Property of Two or more Persons within one Fence, shall be considered as the Land to be divided, allotted and inclosed, by virtue of this Act.

XII. And

XII. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioner shall and Allotments. he is hereby authorized and required to divide, let out and allot the faid Fields and Lands by this Act intended to be divided, allotted and inclosed, unto and amongst the several Owners and Proprietors thereof, and Persons interested therein, in proportion and according to their several and respective Lands and Rights of Soil therein respectively.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That the several Lands and Grounds Lands ale which, upon the said Division and Inclosure, shall be assigned, allotted and awarded, to the several Parties interested in the said Premises; and change, to also the several Messuages, Lands, Tenements, old Inclosures and new Allotments and other Hereditaments which shall be exchanged in purfuance of the said recited Act, shall, immediately after such Allotments and Exchanges shall be made as aforesaid, and the Execution of the said Award, be, remain and enure to the Persons to whom the same shall be respectively allotted or exchanged as aforesaid, who shall thenceforth stand and be seised and possessed thereof to such and the same Uses, Estates, Trusts and Purposes, and subject to such and the same Wills, Settlements, Limitations, Powers, Remainders, Charges and Incumbrances, as the same respectively now are, or should or would be held under, or subject or liable to be charged with or affected by, in case this Act had not been made.

taken in Exremain to the same Uses,

XIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Exchanges to Commissioner to set out, allot and award any Lands, Tenements or Here- be made. ditaments whatsoever, within the said Parish of Kingston, in lieu of and in exchange for any other Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments whatfoever, within the said Parish, or within any adjoining Parish, Hamlet, Township or Place; provided that all such Exchanges be ascertained, specified and declared in the Award of the said Commissioner, and be made with the Consent of the Owner or Owners, Proprietor or Proprietors of the Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, which shall be so exchanged, whether fuch Owner or Owners, Proprietor or Proprietors, shall be a Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate or Collegiate, or a Tenant or Tenants in Fee Simple or for Life, or in Fee Tail general or special, or by the Courtesy of England, or for Years determinable on a Life or Lives, or with the Consent of the Guardians, Trustees, Feossees for charitable or other Uses, Husbands, Committees, or Attornies of or acting for such Owners or Proprietors as aforesaid, who, at the Time of making such Exchange or Exchanges, shall be respectively Infants, Femes Covert, Lunatics, or under any other legal Disability, or who shall be beyond the Seas, or otherwise disabled to act for themselves, himself or herself, such Consent to be testified in Writing under the Common Seal of the Body Politic, Corporate or -Collegiate, and under the Hands of the other consenting Parties respectively; and all and every fuch Exchange and Exchanges so to be made shall be good, valid and effectual in the Law to all Intents and Purposes whatfoever: Provided always, that no Exchange shall be made of any Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, held in right of any Church, Chapel or other Ecclesiastical Benefice, without the Consent testified as aforefaid, of the Patron thereof, and of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese in which such Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, so to beexchanged, shall lie or be situate.

[Loc. & Per.]

XV. And

4354

51° GEORGII III. Cap. 189.

Expence of Exchanges how to be paid.

XV. And be it further enacted, That all Costs, Charges and Expences attending the making of any Exchange or Partition to be made by virtue of the said recited Act or of this Act, shall be made, borne and defrayed by the Parties on whose Behalf the same shall be made, in such Proportions as the said Commissioner shall direct.

Allotments to be inclosed.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That the several Allotments to be made of the said Lands and Grounds by this Act directed to be divided, allotted and inclosed, shall, within the Space of Twelve Calendar Months next after figning and fealing the said Award, or such other Time as the said Commissioner shall therein order and direct, be inclosed, hedged, ditched and fenced, at the proper Costs and Charges of the respective Persons to whom the same shall be respectively allotted.

This Act not to affect Tythes.

XVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act or in the said recited Act contained, shall extend or be construed to extend to exonerate the Lands and Grounds intended to be hereby divided and inclosed, or any of them, or any other Hereditaments, from Tythes of any fort; but that all Tythes whatfoever, and all Moduses, Compositions and Payments for Tythes, within the Parish of Kingston, otherwise Kingston Forges aforesaid, shall continue payable in the same Manner, in all respects, as if this Act or the said recited Act had not been made.

Expences of Act, &c. by whom to be paid.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Sum or Sums of Money to be paid to the said Commissioner and his Clerk, together with the Costs, Charges and Expences of passing this Act, and all Costs and Charges attending the same, and the Costs and Charges of surveying, admeasuring, planning, dividing and allotting the Lands and Grounds so intended to be divided, allotted and inclosed as aforesaid, and inrolling the faid Award, and all other necessary Expences about and concerning the said Premises, shall be borne and defrayed by the said William Croome.

Commissioner's Expences.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioner, or such other Commissioner to be appointed as aforesaid, who shall act in the Execution of the Powers and Authorities hereby vested in him, shall be paid the Sum of Three Guineas and no more, for each Day he shall be employed therein (Days of travelling to and from Home included), the same to be in full Satisfaction for all the Trouble and Expences which he shall be put to in executing the Powers and Authorities aforesaid; and the said Commissioner, and every Proprietor and other Person interested in the Execution of this Act, and their Solicitors and Agents, who shall attend upon any Occasion in pursuance of this Act, shall bear and pay his and their own Expences of fuch Attendance.

Commissioner to lay his Accounts before Two

XX. And be it further enacted, That at least once in each and every Year during the Execution of this Act (such Year to be computed from the Day of the passing thereof), the said Commissioner shall and he is hereby Justices, once required to make a true and just Account or Statement of all Sums of ineveryYear. Money by him received and expended, or due to him for his own Trouble or Expences in the Execution of this Act; and such Statement or Account, when

when so made, together with the Vouchers relating thereto, shall be by him laid before any Two or more of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the Time being for the said County of Hereford, to be by them examined and balanced, and such Balance shall be by such Justices stated in the Book of Accounts, to be kept in the Office of the Clerk to the faid Commissioner; and no Charge or Item in such Accounts shall be binding on the Parties concerned or valid in Law, unless the same shall have been duly allowed by such Justices.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That the Award to be made by the Where the said Commissioner, when inrolled in the Manner directed by the said re- Award shall cited Act, shall be deposited in the Parish Church of Kingston otherwise be deposited. Kingston Forges aforefaid.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall Persons agthink himself, herself or themselves aggrieved by any Thing done in pur-grieved may suance of this Act (other than and except as to such Claims, Matters and Quarter Ses-Things as are hereinbefore directed or authorized to be tried, settled and sions. determined by the Verdict of a Jury, or where any of the Clauses or Provisions of the said recited Act or of this Act, shall express that the same shall be final and conclusive), then, and in every such Case, he, she or they may appeal to the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace which shall be holden for the faid County of Hereford, within Six Calendar Months next after the Cause of Complaint shall have arisen, on giving to the said Commissioner, and to the Party or Parties concerned, Fourteen Days' Notice in Writing of fuch Appeal, and of the Matter thereof; and the Justices (not interested in the Premises) at the said General Quarter Sessions are hereby required to hear and determine the Matters of every such Appeal, and to make fuch Order, and award fuch Costs and Damages, as to them in their Discretion shall seem reasonable, and by their Order or Warrant to levy the Costs and Charges which shall be so awarded, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Party or Parties liable to pay the fame, rendering the Overplus (if any), on Demand, to the Owner or Owners of fuch Goods and Chattels, after deducting the reasonable Charges of fuch Warrants, Distress and Sale; and the Determination of the said Justices shall be final and conclusive to all Parties concerned, and shall not be removed or removeable by Certiorari or any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster or elsewhere; but in case such Appeal shall appear to the said Justices to be frivolous, vexatious or without Foundation, then the said Justices shall award fuch Costs, to be paid by the Appellant or Appellants, as to them in their Discretion shall seem reasonable, and to be levied in Manner aforefaid.

appeal to the

XXIII. Saving always to the King's most Excellent Majesty, his Heirs General and Successors, and to all and every other Person or Persons, Body or Saving. Bodies Politic, Corporate or Collegiate, his, her and their Heirs, Executors and Administrators (except such whose Rights are hereby intended to be barred, or who shall fail to give in their Claims, or against whom the said Commissioner shall determine), all such Right, Title and Interest, as they, every or any of them, had and enjoyed, of, in, to or out of the said Lands and Grounds, at the Time of passing this Act, or could or might have had or enjoyed in case this Act had not been -made.

XXIV. And

4356

51° GEORGII III. Cap. 189.

Act to be Evidence.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be printed by the Printer to the King's most Excellent Majesty, and a Copy thereof so printed shall be admitted as Evidence thereof, by all Judges, Justices and others.

LONDON: Printed by George Eyre and Andrew Strahan,
Printers to the King's most Excellent Majesty. 1811.