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GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. 118.

An Act for enlarging the Term and Powers of Two Acts of His present Majesty, for repairing the Road from Whitchurch, in the County of Southampton, to Aldermasson Great Bridge, in the County of Berks.

[20th May 1812.]

HEREAS an Act was passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled An Act for repairing and 10G.3.c.88. widening the Road from Whitchurch, in the County of Southampton, to the Turnpike Road at Aldermaston Great Bridge, in the County of Berks: And whereas another Act was passed in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled An Act to enlarge the Term 31G.3.c.119. of an Act, passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for repairing and widening the Road from Whitchurch, in the County of Southampton, to the Turnpike Road at Aldermaston Great Bridge, in the County of Berks: And whereas under or by virtue of the said recited Acts considerable Debts have been incurred, which are still due and owing, and cannot be discharged, nor can the said Road be effectually amended and kept in Repair, unless the Term granted and continued by the said Acts be further continued, and the Powers and Provisions thereof altered and enlarged: 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 [Loc. & Per.] 28 PCommons,

Acts further continued for 21 Years.

Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said recited Acts, and all and every the Tolls or Duties, Clauses, Powers, Exemptions, Penalties, Forfeitures, Rules, Remedies, Directions, Payments, Trusts, Provisions, Articles, Matters, and Things whatfoever therein contained and now in force, (except fuch Parts of the same as relate to Exemptions from Stamp Duties, and also such as are hereby varied, altered, or repealed,) shall be, continue, and remain, and are hereby declared to be and continue in full Force and Effect, and, together with this present Act, shall be executed for and during the Term herein-after mentioned, as fully and effectually, in all Respects, and to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said recited Acts, and all the Clauses, Powers, Trusts, Authorities and Provisions, Matters and Things, therein respectively contained, were expressly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act; but subject nevertheless to the Amendments, Alterations, and Additions herein contained, and which shall commence and take Effect upon the Sixth Day of May One thousand eight hundred and twelve; and that this Act, and the Term and Powers hereby granted, shall be and are hereby declared to be subject and liable to the Payment of all Monies now due and owing, or which may hereafter become due, or be borrowed on the Credit of the said recited Acts or this Act, and all Interest due or to grow due for the same respectively.

Exemptions from Toll.

II. And be it further enacted, That no Toll shall be demanded or taken for any Horse or Horses, or other Beast or Cattle, or for any Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage employed in carrying or conveying, or going empty to fetch, carry, or convey, or returning empty from carrying or conveying, having been employed only in carrying or conveying on the fame Day, any Stones, Bricks, Timber, Wood, Gravel, or other Materials for making or repairing the said Road, or any of the Roads in the Townships or Parishes in which any Part of the said Road lies; or Hay, Turnips, Straw, or Corn in the Straw only, not fold or disposed of, but passing to be laid up or placed in the Houses, Barns, Outhouses, or Yards, or on the Lands of the Owners thereof; or for any Horse, Beast, or other Cattle, or Carriage employed in carrying or conveying, or going empty to fetch, carry, or convey, or returning empty from carrying or conveying, having been employed only in carrying or conveying on the fame Day any Ploughs, Harrows, or Implements of Husbandry, or any Mould, Dung, Compost, or Manure, (Lime and Peat Ashes only excepted), employed in Husbandry for manuring or improving Lands, or any other Thing employed in the Management of any Farm or Lands; or for any Horses or other Beasts going to or returning from Pasture or Watering Place, or going to be or returning from being shoed or farried; or from any Person or Persons going to or returning from his, her, or their proper Parochial Church, Chapel, or other Place of Religious Worship on Sundays, or any other Day on which Divine Service is ordered by Authority to be celebrated; or going to or returning from attending the Funeral of any Person who shall die and be buried in any of the Parishes in which the said Road lies; or from any Clergyman going to visit or returning from visiting any sick Person, or on other his parochial or ministerial Duty; or for any Horses or Carriages, of whatever 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 or guarding fuch Mails or Expresses, or in returning

returning back from conveying the same; or for the Horse or Horses of any Officers or Soldiers on their March or on Duty, or for any Horse or Horses, or other Beast, or any Cart, Carriage, or Waggon employed in carrying or conveying, or returning therefrom having been employed. only in carrying or conveying, the Arms or Baggage of any such Officers or Soldiers, or in carrying or conveying any fick, wounded, or difabled Officers or Soldiers; or for any Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage whatsoever, or the Horse or Horses, or other Cattle drawing the same, which shall be employed in conveying any Ordnance, or Barrack, or Commissariat, or other Public Stores of or belonging to His Majesty, or for the Use of His Majesty's Stores, or returning from having been so employed; or for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, furnished by or for any Person belonging to any Corps of Yeomanry, or Volunteer Cavalry or Infantry, and rode by him in going to or returning from any Place appointed for and on the Days of Exercise, Inspection, or Review, provided that such Person shall be dressed in the Uniform of his Corps, and shall have his Arms, Furniture, and Accoutrements, according to the Regulations of fuch Corps at the Time of claiming the Exemption; or for Horses, Carts, or Waggons travelling with Vagrants sent by legal Passes, or returning after having been so employed; or for any Horses, Coaches, or other Carriages going to or returning from any Election of a Knight or Knights of the Shire to serve in Parliament for the said Counties of Berks or Southampton, on the Day or Days of such Election, or the Day before or Day after such Election shall begin or be concluded; and if any Person shall, by any fraudulent or collusive Means whatsoever, claim or take the Benefit of any of the Exemptions aforesaid, not being entitled to the same, every such Person shall forfeit and pay for every fuch Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, One Moiety whereof shall be paid to the Informer, and the other Moiety shall be applied to the Purposes of this Act.

III. And be it further enacted, That no Person owning or driving, or Carriages causing to be driven, any Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, pro-conveying vided for the Service of His Majesty's Forces, or conveying any Ord- King's Stores, nance, or Barrack, or Commissariat, or other Public Stores, of or belong- from Penalties ing to His Majesty, or for the Use of His Majesty's Forces, shall be sub- for Overject to any Penalty or Forfeiture for Overweight; nor shall any such weight. Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, or the Horse or Horses drawing the same, be stopped or detained by reason of any Weight in any such Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, or of being drawn by any Number of Horses or Oxen, but it shall be lawful for the Owner or Driver of any fuch Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, to put any Number of Horses or Oxen to such Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage; any Thing in any Act or Acts of Parliament relating to Highways or Turnpike Roads, or in this or the faid recited Acts contained, to the contrary notwithstanding.

IV. And be it further enacted, That if any Money shall be agreed or Application awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, pur- of Money chased, taken, or used by virtue of the Powers of this or the said recited awarded Acts, for the Purposes thereof, which shall belong to any Corporation, Feme Covert, Infant, Lunatic, or other Person or Persons under any other Disability or Incapacity, such Money shall, in case the same shall amount to or exceed the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, with all convenient Speed

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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 ex parte the said Trustees, to the Intent that such Money shall be applied, under the Direction and with the Approbation of the said Court, to be fignified by an Order made upon a Petition to be preferred in a summary Way by the Person or Persons who would have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, in the Purchase of the Land Tax, or towards the Discharge of any Debt or Debts, or fuch other Incumbrance, or Part thereof, as the faid 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 and with the like Direction and Approbation of the faid Court, in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall be conveyed and settled to, for, and upon such and the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes, and in the same Manner, as the Lands, Tenements, and 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 fuch Conveyance and Settlement shall be existing undetermined, or capable of taking Effect; and in the mean Time, and until fuch Purchase shall be made, the said Money shall, by Order of the faid High Court of Chancery, upon Application thereto, be invested by the faid Accountant General in his Name, in the Purchase of Three 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 Purposes 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, so to be purchased under the Authority of this or the said recited Acts, in case such Purchase or Settlement was made.

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V. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Money for 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 Disability or Incapacity as aforesaid, shall be less than the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, and shall amount to or exceed the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then and in all fuch 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 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 aforefaid, 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 füch Option, and approved of by Five or more of the faid Trustees for executing this and the said recited Acts, (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

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 or Approbation of the faid High Court of Chancery.

VI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That where such Money Where under so agreed or awarded to be paid as next before-mentioned shall be less 201. 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 this or the faid recited Acts, in fuch Manner as the faid Trustees or any Five or more of them shall think fit; or in case of Infancy or Lunacy, then 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.

VII. And be it further enacted, That in case the Person or Persons to In case of not whom any Sum or Sums of Money shall be awarded for the Purchase of making out a any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be purchased by virtue of good Title, this or the said recited Acts, shall refuse to accept the same, or shall not chase Money be able to make a good Title to the Premises, to the Satisfaction of the to be paid faid Trustees, or any Five or more of them, or in case such Person or into the Bank. 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 fuch Case it shall be lawful 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 High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account, to the Credit of the Parties interested in the faid Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, [describing them], subject to the Order, Controul, and Disposition of the said High Court of Chancery; which faid Court, on the Application of any Person or Persons making Claim to fuch 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 said Court shall seem 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 faid 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 fuch 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.

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VIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where any In case of dis-Question shall arise touching the Title of any Person to any Money to be puted Titles. paid into the Bank of England in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, in pursuance of this Act, for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or of any Estate, Right, Title, or Interest in any Lands, Tenements, or [Loc. & Per.] 28 Q Hereditaments

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Hereditaments to be purchased in pursuance of this or the said recited Acts, 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 fuch 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 fuch Possession, until the contrary shall be shewn to the Satisfaction of the said High 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.

Court may order reasonable Expences to be paid by the Erustees.

IX. Provided also, 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 this or the said recited Acts, the Purchase Money for the same shall be required to be paid into the High Court of Chancery, and be applied in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be settled to the like Uses, in pursuance of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said High Court of Chancery to order the Expences of all Purchases from Time to Time to be made in pursuance of this or the said recited Acts, or so much of such Expences as the said Court shall deem reasonable, to be paid by the said Trustees out of the Monies to be received by virtue of this or the said recited Acts, who shall from Time to Time pay such Sums of Money for such Purposes as the said Court shall direct.

Statute Labour.

X. 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 said Road, 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 Counties of Berks or Southampton, and they are hereby empowered and required, (upon Application made to them for that Purpose by the said Trustees, or by their Clerk or Surveyor by their Order), yearly to adjudge and determine what Part or Proportion of the Statute Work shall every Year be done upon the faid Road by the Inhabitants of the respective Parishes or Places in which the said Road lies, 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, shall be by him or them paid to the said Trustees or their Treasurer; and in order thereunto, it shall be lawful for such Justices from Time to Time to fummon the Surveyor or Surveyors of the Highways for 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 fuch 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 fuch 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 fuch Manner, and under such Regulations and Restrictions as is, are, or may be directed by any Law or Statute in Force or Effect for the Repair of the public Highways; and out of such Lists such Justices shall or may allot, appoint, and order fuch and fo many of the Persons who shall appear to be subject and liable to do Statute Work as aforesaid, to do such Number of Days of Statute Work in every Year upon the said Road, as the faid Justices shall think reasonable, and the same shall be done on fuch Days, and at fuch Times, (not being Hay-time or Harvest), and on such Parts of the said Road, as the said Trustees, or their Surveyor or Surveyors, shall from Time to Time order, direct, and appoint; and the faid Justices may also order and direct the Persons 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 or 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 this or the faid recited Acts authorized 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 last or usual Place or Places of Abode for that Purpose, signed by the Surveyor or Surveyors 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 fuch Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures, as fuch Person or Persons may be subject or liable to by any Law or Statute in force and effect for the Repair of the public Highways; and if any Person who shall come to work as a Labourer, or who shall be sent with any Team or Draught to work on the said Road, shall be found idle or negligent by any Surveyor to the said Trustees, such Surveyor is hereby empowered to remove and turn off the Person who shall be found idle or negligent as aforesaid, and in that Case every such Person shall be subject and liable nto the respective Forseitures and Penalties aforesaid, as if he had neglected or refused to come, or such Team or Draught had not been sent to work on any Part of the said Road; all which Forfeitures shall be paid to the Treasurer to the said Trustees, and applied towards amending the said Road; 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 or wilfully give in false or imperfect Lists, every such Surveyor so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

XI. And be it further enacted, That the Costs, Charges, and Expences Expences of incident to and attending the obtaining and passing of this Act, shall be the Act. paid and discharged by the said Trustees for putting the said recited Acts and this Act in Execution, or any Five or more of them, out of any Money which hath arisen by virtue of the said recited Acts, or out of the first Money which shall arise by virtue of the said recited Acts or this Act, in preference to all other Payments whatsoever.

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Publick Act. XII. 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.

Term of the Act.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take Effect on the Sixteenth Day of May One thousand eight hundred and twelve, 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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