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## Cap. xxxiv.

An Act for making the Hamlet of *Poplar* and *Blackwall*, in the County of *Middlesex*, a separate and distinct Parish; and for erecting a Parish Church therein, and other Purposes relating thereto.

[16th June 1817.]

**W**HEREAS the Hamlet of *Poplar* and *Blackwall*, in the Parish of *Saint Dunstan Stebonheath*, otherwise *Stepney*, in the County of *Middlesex*, has for many Years past been a distinct Hamlet of itself, and is very extensive; and the Inhabitants of the said Hamlet have a distinct Churchwarden, Overseers of the Poor, and other Parochial Officers; and distinct Rates are made and collected in the said Hamlet for the Relief of the Poor, and the Discharge of other Parochial Offices: And whereas the Inhabitants of the said Hamlet are exceedingly numerous, and the Parish Church of *Stepney* is at a considerable Distance from the said Hamlet, and is not large enough for the Accommodation of the Inhabitants of the several Hamlets belonging to the said Parish: And whereas it is expedient that the said Hamlet of *Poplar* and *Blackwall* should be made or formed into a separate and distinct Parish, and that a Parish Church should be erected or built therein for the Public Worship of Almighty God, according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of *England*: 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 Trustees for the Time being for carrying into Execution an Act passed in the Fifty-third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for paving, lighting, watching, and improving the Hamlet of Poplar and Blackwall, in the County of Middlesex, and for the better Relief and Maintenance of the Poor of the*

Appointment  
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said

*said Hamlet*, together with the Rector and Churchwardens herein-after mentioned, shall be and they are hereby appointed Vestrymen for putting this Act into Execution, and shall be and be styled *The Vestrymen of the Parish of All Saints Poplar in the County of Middlesex*.

Vestrymen  
not to hold  
a Place of  
Profit.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That no Person shall be capable of acting as a Vestryman in the Execution of this Act during the Time he shall hold any Office or Place of Profit (other than and except the Rector of the said intended Parish for the Time being), or have any Share or Interest in any Contract or Work to be made or done in pursuance of this Act.

Penalty on  
acting as  
Vestrymen  
without be-  
ing qualified.

III. And be it further enacted, That if any Person, not being qualified according to the Directions of the said Act, shall act as a Vestryman in the Execution of this Act, every such Person for every such Offence shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds; provided nevertheless, that all Acts and Proceedings of all and every Person and Persons acting as a Vestryman or Vestrymen in the Execution of this Act, although not duly qualified as aforesaid, previous to his or their being convicted of such Offence, shall notwithstanding such Conviction be as valid and effectual as if such Person or Persons had been duly qualified as aforesaid.

First and  
subsequent  
Meetings of  
Vestrymen.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall and may meet together at the Town Hall, Workhouse, or any other convenient Place within the said Hamlet or intended Parish, on the Second *Tuesday* in any Month within Six Calendar Months next after the passing of this Act, at the Hour of Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon; and they or any Five or more of them so assembled, shall and may proceed to put this Act into Execution, and then and there adjourn such Meeting, and meet again at such Time or Times, at the Town Hall, Workhouse, or such other convenient Place or Places within the said intended Parish as they shall from Time to Time appoint; and of such Adjournment, or of any Meeting under the before-mentioned Act or this Act, for Parochial Purposes, Notice affixed on the Door of the Town Hall or Workhouse of the said Hamlet or intended Parish, or given in the new Church to be erected or built in pursuance of this Act, when the same shall be built, on the *Sunday* preceding such Meeting, shall be deemed good and sufficient Notice; and if there shall not appear at any Meeting to be appointed by virtue of this Act Five or more of such Vestrymen to act, then and in such Case the Clerk to the said Vestrymen shall and he is hereby required to give such Notice as aforesaid to meet at the Place where the last Meeting shall have been appointed to have been held, within Ten Days next after the Day on which such last Meeting was to have been held as aforesaid; and in case the Clerk shall happen to die before such Notice shall be given, or shall neglect to give such Notice, then any Five or more of the said Vestrymen shall and may by Writing under their Hands give such Notice in like Manner to meet at any Time and Place which they shall think proper.

Meetings on  
Emergencies.

V. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if after any Adjournment of any Meeting as aforesaid, it shall at any Time or Times be thought necessary that a Meeting of the Vestrymen should be holden on an earlier Day than the Day to which such Meeting shall have been ad-  
journed,



journed, then and in every such Case the Clerk to the said Vestrymen (an Order in Writing signed by Ten or more of the said Vestrymen, although not assembled at a Meeting, mentioning the Time, Place, and Purpose of such earlier Meeting, being given to him, or left at his last or usual Place of Abode), shall forthwith give Notice, expressing the Purpose or Purposes of the Meeting to be held on such earlier Day, in Manner before directed, and of the Time and Place which shall be mentioned in the Order of the said Vestrymen; and all Proceedings of such Vestrymen at such earlier Meeting shall be as good and valid as they would have been in case such Vestrymen had met in pursuance of an Adjournment; and such earlier Meeting or Meetings shall and may be adjourned, and such Adjournment and Adjournments shall be considered as an Adjournment of an ordinary or original Meeting under this Act: Provided always, that at all Meetings to be held in pursuance of this Act, whether by Adjournment, or on Emergency, or otherwise, the said Vestrymen shall bear, pay, and defray their own Expences.

VI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful to hold any Vestry or other Meeting of the Inhabitants of the said new intended Parish for any Parochial or other Purpose whatsoever (except for Divine Service) within the new Church to be erected by virtue of this Act.

Not to hold Vestry Meetings in the Church.

VII. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Powers, Authorities, Directions, Matters, and Things by this Act given to and directed to be done by or before the said Vestrymen at any Meeting, shall and may be exercised, had, and done by or before any Five or more of them at such Meetings (except in such Cases where any other Number of Vestrymen shall by this Act be particularly directed); and every Question shall be determined by the Majority of Votes of the Vestrymen present at every Meeting; and such Determination shall be as valid, and of as full Force and Effect, as if done or executed by or before all the Vestrymen; and the Vestrymen present at every Meeting shall, before they proceed to Business, elect one of them, the Vestrymen then present, to be Chairman of such Meeting; and the said Vestrymen shall vote by Ballot, in case the same shall be requested in Writing by any Three or more of the said Vestrymen then present; and if at any Meeting of the said Vestrymen any Question shall be put to the Vote, and there shall happen to be an equal Number of Votes, including the Vote of the Chairman, for or against the Question, then the Chairman shall have a second or casting Vote, which shall determine the Question; and no Order made by the said Vestrymen at any Meeting shall be revoked, unless at a subsequent Meeting where Ten Vestrymen at least shall be present.

Proceedings to be regulated by the Majority of Vestrymen present at Meetings.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That a Book or Books shall be provided and kept, in which fair and regular Entries shall be made of all the Acts, Orders, Regulations, and Proceedings of the said Vestrymen, relative to the Execution of this Act, and of the Names of the Vestrymen who shall be present at the respective Meetings; and such Entries shall be signed by the Chairman of each respective Meeting, and being so signed, shall be deemed Originals, and be allowed to be read in Evidence in all Courts whatsoever, in all Cases, Suits, and Actions touching any Thing done in pursuance of this Act, or in anywise relating thereto.

Entries of the Vestrymen's Proceedings to be made, and to be read in Evidence when signed by the Chairman.

IX. And



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IX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Vestrymen, at any of their said Meetings, by Writing under their Hands, or the Hands of any Five or more of them, to appoint a Treasurer or Treasurers, an Architect or Architects, a Surveyor or Surveyors, Clerk or Clerks, Collector or Collectors, Beadle or Beadles, and such Sexton, Organist, Pew-openers, Grave-diggers, and other Officers and Persons, for the Purposes of this Act, as the said Vestrymen shall think proper; and from Time to Time to remove such Officers and Persons respectively, or any of them, as the said Vestrymen shall think proper or see Occasion; and out of the Monies to be received by virtue of this Act to allow and pay such Salaries, Wages, Gratuities, and Allowances to the said Officers and other Persons, as the said Vestrymen shall think reasonable; but the Allowance which shall be made to the Collectors respectively shall be at and after a Rate not exceeding Four-pence in the Pound of the Money to be from Time to Time received by them; and the said Vestrymen shall and they are hereby required to take such Security from every or any such Treasurer, Surveyor, Clerk, Collector, and other Officer, for the due Execution of his and their Office and Offices, as the said Vestrymen shall think proper; and all such Officers so to be appointed shall under their Hands, and at such Time or Times and in such Manner as the said Vestrymen shall direct, deliver to the said Vestrymen, or such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, true and perfect Accounts in Writing of all Matters and Things committed to their Charge by virtue of this Act, and also of all Monies which shall have been by such Officers respectively received by virtue and for the Purposes of this Act, and how much thereof shall have been expended and disbursed, and for what Purposes, together with proper Vouchers for such Payments, and shall pay all such Monies as shall remain due from them respectively to the said Vestrymen, or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint to receive the same; and every such Treasurer shall, when thereunto required by the said Vestrymen, lay his Account before the said Vestrymen, in order that the same may be audited, passed, and allowed by them if approved of; and if any such Officer shall refuse or neglect to make and render, when required, any such Account, or to produce and deliver up the Vouchers relating to the same, or to make Payment as aforesaid, or shall refuse or wilfully neglect to deliver to the said Vestrymen, or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint to receive the same, within Fourteen Days after being thereunto required by the said Vestrymen, by Notice in Writing under the Hands of any Five or more of the said Vestrymen given to or left at the last or usual Place of Abode of such Officer, all Books, Papers, and Writings in his Custody or Power relating to the Execution of this Act, or give Satisfaction to the said Vestrymen respecting the same, then and in every such Case, upon Complaint made by the said Vestrymen, or by such Person or Persons as they shall appoint for that Purpose, of any such Refusal or wilful Neglect as aforesaid, to any Justice of the Peace for the County, City, or Place wherein such Officer so refusing or wilfully neglecting shall be or reside, such Justice may and he is hereby authorized and required to issue a Summons or Warrant, under his Hand and Seal, for the Officer so refusing or neglecting to appear before him, and upon his appearing, or having been summoned and not appearing, without some reasonable or sufficient Excuse, or not being found, to hear and determine the Matter in a summary Way; and if upon Confession of the Party, or by the Testimony of any credible Witness or Witnesses upon Oath (which

Oath



Oath such Justice is hereby empowered to administer), it shall appear to such Justice that any Monies remain due from such Officer, such Justice may and he is hereby authorized and required, upon Nonpayment thereof, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal to cause such Money to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Officer; and if no Goods or Chattels of such Officer shall be found sufficient to answer and satisfy the said Money, and the Charges of distraining and selling the said Goods and Chattels, or if it shall appear to such Justice that such Officer has refused or wilfully neglected to render and give such Account, or to verify the same as aforesaid, or to produce the Vouchers relating thereto, or that any Books, Papers, or Writings relating to the Execution of this Act remain in the Hands or in the Custody or Power of such Officer, and he has refused or wilfully neglected to deliver or give Satisfaction respecting the same as aforesaid, then and in each and every such Case such Justice shall and may commit such Offender to the Common Gaol or House of Correction for the County, City, or Place where such Offender shall be or reside, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize until he shall give and make a true and perfect Account and Payment as aforesaid, or until he shall have paid such Monies as aforesaid, or compounded with the said Vestrymen for such Money, and shall have paid such Composition in such Manner as they shall appoint (which Composition the said Vestrymen are hereby empowered to make and receive), and until he shall deliver up such Books, Papers, and Writings, or give Satisfaction in respect thereof to the said Vestrymen; but no such Offender shall be detained or kept in such Common Gaol or House of Correction for want of sufficient Distress, by virtue of this Act, for any longer Space of Time than Six Calendar Months.

X. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Vestrymen to appoint the Person who may be appointed to act as their Clerk in the Execution of this Act, or the Partner of any such Clerk, the Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act, or to appoint the Person who may be appointed Treasurer, or the Partner of any such Treasurer, the Clerk to the said Vestrymen; and if any Person shall act in both the Capacities of Clerk and Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act, or if any Person, being the Partner of any such Clerk, shall act as Treasurer, or being the Partner of any such Treasurer shall act as Clerk in the Execution of this Act, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds to any Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, to be recovered in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt or on the Case, or by Bill, Suit, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed.

Offices of Clerk and Treasurer not to be held by one Person.

XI. And be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall and may sue and be sued, and prefer or defend any Indictment or Indictments, in the Name of their Clerk for the Time being; and that no Action, Suit, or Indictment that may be brought by or against the said Vestrymen in the Name of their Clerk, shall abate or be discontinued by the Death or Removal of such Clerk, or by his Act without the Consent of the said Vestrymen, but the Clerk for the Time being shall always be deemed Plaintiff or Defendant in every such Action, as the Case may be: Provided always, that such Clerk shall be reimbursed out of the Monies to be raised by virtue of this Act, all such Costs, Damages, and Expences as he may be put

Vestrymen to sue and be sued in the Name of their Clerk.

Clerk to be reimbursed his Expences.

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unto or become charged or chargeable with by reason of his being so made Plaintiff or Defendant.

Making the Hamlet of Poplar and Blackwall a Parish.

XII. And be it further enacted, That the said Hamlet of *Poplar* and *Blackwall* shall from henceforth for ever be, and shall from henceforth for ever be deemed and taken to be, of itself, a separate and distinct Parish, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, by the Name of *The Parish of All Saints Poplar in the County of Middlesex*; and that the Limits of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar* shall be and extend over and comprise the same Space as the Limits of the said Hamlet now are and extend over and comprise; and the Inhabitants within the said Limits shall from henceforth be the Parishioners of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, and shall from henceforth (notwithstanding any Law, Ordinance, Usage, or Custom to the contrary) be divided, severed, and exempt from the said Parish of *Saint Dunstan Stebonheath* otherwise *Stepney*, and from bearing any Offices or Charges, and from all Dependencies, Contributions, and Duties whatsoever, for or in respect thereof; and from the Cure of the Rector of the said Parish of *Stebonheath* otherwise *Stepney*, and his Successors; and shall from henceforth be also discharged and exempt, as well against the Rector (to be) of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, as against the Rector and Incumbent for the Time being of the said Parish of *Saint Dunstan Stebonheath* otherwise *Stepney*, from the Payment of all Small Tithes, *Easter Offerings*, *Garden Pennies*, and all other Dues whatsoever, arising within the Limits of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, except as herein-after mentioned: Provided always, that the Vestrymen of the Parish of *All Saints Poplar* shall have always reserved unto them, for the Use of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, their due Part, Share, or Proportion of all Public Charities, Gifts, or Bequests, heretofore given to the said Parish of *Saint Dunstan Stebonheath* otherwise *Stepney*, or for the Use or Benefit of the several Hamlets belonging to the same Parish.

Church, &c. to be built and provided.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Vestrymen to erect, build, construct, and form, or to cause to be erected, built, constructed, and formed, upon some Part of the Lands and Grounds to be purchased by virtue of this Act, or any other Lands or Grounds in the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, which may be given or granted for such Purposes, a Church, with a Steeple or Tower or Dome, and a Churchyard, and also a proper and convenient Parsonage House for the Residence or Habitation of the Rector or Minister, with such Quantity of Ground (to be inclosed and walled in for a Garden) as the said Vestrymen, with the Approbation of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, shall think fit; and also such Offices or Buildings, and other Conveniences, as are usual or necessary for Parochial Purposes, and of such Dimensions, Materials, and after such Specifications, Elevations, Models, and Plans, and in such Manner, as by the said Vestrymen shall be agreed upon; and to cause proper and convenient Ways, Avenues, and Approaches to be made to such Church and other Premises; and also to erect and set up in such Church such Pews, Seats, Sittings, Benches, Forms, Galleries, Organs, Clocks, Bells, Ornaments, Stoves or Grates for the Purpose of airing the said Church, and other Conveniences, and to find and provide such Books, Decorations, and Things, which the said Vestrymen shall from Time to Time deem necessary and proper for the due Celebration of Divine Worship, and other Rites and Ceremonies, according to the Liturgy of the Church of *England*; and also



also to cause such Vaults or other Conveniences for the Interment of the Dead to be made, formed, and constructed, of such Dimensions and in such Manner as may appear to them most eligible, under such Church and in such Churchyard, or any Part thereof respectively; and from Time to Time to cleanse, preserve, and keep in good and proper Repair and Condition the said Church and other Premises for the Purposes aforesaid, and to find and provide such Ornaments, Decorations, and other Things for the said Church and Churchyard, as the said Vestrymen shall think proper; and it also shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen to cause a proper Building to be erected upon any other Part of the said Land or Ground so to be purchased, for the Reception of Fire Engines, and to keep the same from Time to Time in good Repair and Condition.

XIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That a Plan or Plans of such intended new Church, Parsonage House, and other Buildings and Works, and also of the internal Structure, Decorations, and Arrangement of the said new Church, and of the Pews and Seats thereof, shall be made, drawn, and delineated on Paper or Parchment, and, together with an Estimate of the Expence of erecting, constructing, and completing the same, shall be submitted to the Lord Bishop of *London* for his Approbation; and until the said Vestrymen shall obtain the Approval thereof by the said Lord Bishop of *London*, the said Vestrymen shall not begin to build or construct such new Church, Parsonage House, or other Buildings and Works.

Vestrymen not to begin to build until Plan approved by the Lord Bishop of London.

XV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen from Time to Time to appoint one or more Committee or Committees to manage and transact all or any of the Matters or Purposes which they the said Vestrymen are hereby required to do, execute, or perform, which Committee or Committees so to be appointed shall have such or so many of the Powers and Authorities by this Act given to the said Vestrymen, as the said Vestrymen shall think fit or proper to delegate to such Committee or Committees; and such Committee or Committees shall continue or exist only during the Pleasure of the said Vestrymen.

Committees may be appointed.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That such new Church and Churchyard, when the same shall be completed or fit for Divine Worship, shall be subject in all respects to the ordinary Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction by Law established; and it shall and may be lawful to and for the Lord Bishop of *London* for the Time being, or any other Bishop duly authorized by the said Lord Bishop of *London*, and he or such Bishop so authorized as aforesaid is hereby authorized and empowered, to consecrate the said new Parish Church and Churchyard; and that Divine Service, the Solemnization of Matrimony, Burial of the Dead, and all other Ecclesiastical Duties, shall be from Time to Time for ever after performed in the said new Church and Churchyard respectively, according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of *England* as by Law established.

Church, &c. to be consecrated.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That such Church, when the same shall have been erected and consecrated as aforesaid, shall from thenceforth for ever to all Intents and Purposes be the Parish Church of the Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, and shall be called and known by the Name of *The*

The new Church to be called the Parish Church of *Parish*

All Saints  
Poplar.

*Parish Church of the Parish of All Saints Poplar in the County of Middlesex,*  
and the Churchyard thereto shall be the Churchyard of the said Parish.

Vestrymen  
empowered  
to contract  
for the Pur-  
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Land.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen, and they are hereby empowered, as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act, to contract and agree for the absolute Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments within the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar* (not exceeding Eight Acres in the whole), which shall in their Judgment be requisite or necessary for any of the Purposes of this Act, or of any Messuage or Tenement within the said Parish, for the Residence of the Rector of the said Parish, if the Lord Bishop of *London* shall approve thereof, without building a new Parsonage House, and for the Enfranchisement of any Copyhold Land, Tenements, or Hereditaments which may be so purchased, with any Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or any Tenant or Tenants for Life, or in Fee Tail General or Special, or for any Term or Terms for Years, or by the Courtesy of *England*, or with any Feoffees in Trust, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees for Lunatics and Idiots, or other Trustees whomsoever, not only for and on behalf of themselves, their Heirs and Successors, but also for and on behalf of their Cestuique Trusts, whether Infants or Issue unborn, Lunatics, Idiots, or Femes Covert, who are or shall be seised, possessed, or interested in their own Right, or with any Person or Persons whomsoever, who shall be willing to sell such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments; and it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen to hold such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments so purchased, without incurring or being subject to any of the Penalties or Forfeitures of the Statute of Mortmain, or any other Law or Statute whatsoever.

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Vestrymen.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for all Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, and all Tenants for Life, or in Fee Tail, General or Special, or by the Courtesy of *England*, or for any Term or Terms of Years, absolute or determinable on any Life or Lives, and all Feoffees in Trust, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees for Lunatics and Idiots, and other Trustees whomsoever, not only for and on behalf of themselves, their Heirs and Successors, but also for and on the behalf of the Cestuique Trusts, whether Infants or Issue unborn, Lunatics, Idiots, or Femes Covert, who are or shall be seised, possessed or interested in their own Right, and all and every Person and Persons whomsoever, who are or shall be seised, possessed of, or interested in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Part thereof, which shall be thought necessary by the said Vestrymen to be purchased for any of the Purposes of this Act, to treat, contract, and agree with the said Vestrymen for the Sale thereof, or of any Part thereof, and for the Enfranchisement of any such Copyhold Land, Tenements, or Hereditaments, and to sell and convey all or any Part thereof, and all their Estate, Right, Title, and Interest whatsoever, of, in, and to the same, to the said Vestrymen for the Purposes of this Act, and to enfranchise such Copyhold Land, Tenements, or Hereditaments; and all Contracts, Agreements, Bargains, Sales and Conveyances which shall be so made by virtue and in pursuance of this Act, shall, without any Fine or Fines, Recovery or Recoveries;  
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or other Conveyances or Assurances in the Law whatsoever, be good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, not only to convey the Estate and Interest of the Person and Persons conveying, but also to convey all Right, Estate, Interest, Use, Property, Claim, and Demand whatsoever of the said several and respective Cestuique Trusts, and all Persons whomsoever claiming or to claim by, from, or under them respectively, and of all Persons entitled in Remainder or Reversion expectant on any such particular Estate, and the same shall be deemed and considered to bar the Dower and Dowery of such Person and Persons, and all Estates Tail and other Estates, in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, or Expectancy, any Law, Statute, or Usage, or any other Matter or Thing whatsoever, to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding; and all Bodies Politic and Corporate or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, and all Tenants for Life, or in Fee Tail General or Special, or by the Courtesy of *England*, or for Years absolute or determinable on any Life or Lives, and all Feoffees in Trust, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, Trustees, and all other Persons, are and shall be hereby indemnified for what they shall do by virtue and in pursuance of this Act.

XX. And be it further enacted, That if any Monies shall be paid or agreed to be paid for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchased, taken, or used by virtue of the Powers of this Act, for the Purposes thereof, which shall belong to any Body Politic, Corporate or Collegiate, or to any Feoffees in Trust, Executors, Administrators, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, or other Trustees for or on Behalf of any Infant, Lunatic, Idiot, Feme Covert, or other Cestuique Trust, or any Person whose Lands 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 or exceed 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 Vestrymen for executing this Act, to the Intent that such Money shall be applied, under the Direction and with the Approbation of the said Court, to be signified 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 or Redemption of the Land Tax, or towards the 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, and 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, 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 meantime, and until such Purchases shall be so made, the said Money shall, by Order of

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the said Court, upon Application thereto, be invested by the said 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 meantime, 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, or Hereditaments so hereby directed to be purchased by virtue of this Act, in case such Purchase or Settlement were made.

Where less than 200l. and amounting to 20l.

XXI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Money so agreed to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be 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 amount to or exceed 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 and Tenements, or Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used, or of his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, in case of Infancy, Idiocy, 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 Three Trustees, to be nominated by the Person or Persons making such Option, and approved of by Five or more of the said Vestrymen, (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 therefrom, 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 Court of Chancery.

Where less than 20l.

XXII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That where such Money so agreed 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 this Act, in such Manner as the said Vestrymen shall think fit; or in case of Infancy, Idiocy, 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.

Where any Question shall arise touching the Title to Money to be paid, the Person who shall be in

XXIII. Provided also, 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 Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, in pursuance of this Act, for the Purchase of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or of any Estate, Right, or Interest in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to



be purchased in pursuance of 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, shall be deemed and taken to have been lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, according to such Possession, until the contrary shall be shewn to the Satisfaction of the said Court of Chancery, and the Dividends and 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 so lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or to some Estate or Interest therein.

Possession of the Lands, &c. at the Time of such Purchase, shall be deemed entitled thereto according to such Possession only.

XXIV. 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 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 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 this Act, or so much of such Expences as the Court shall deem reasonable, to be paid by the said Vestrymen out of the Monies to be received by virtue of this Act, and the said Vestrymen shall from Time to Time pay such Sums of Money for such Purposes as the said Court shall direct.

The Court of Chancery may order reasonable Expences of Purchases to be paid by the Vestrymen.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That upon Payment of the Money so contracted and agreed to be paid for the Purchase of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, by the said Vestrymen to the Party or Person respectively entitled to such Monies, or their Agents, or upon Payment thereof into the Bank of *England* for the Purpose of being disposed of in Manner herein-before directed, and upon the Conveyance in Manner herein-after directed of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Use, Trust, Property, Claim, and Demand, in Law or Equity, of the Person or Persons respectively to whose Use the same shall be paid, in, to, or out of such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, shall vest in the said Vestrymen and their Successors for ever, for effecting the Objects and Purposes of this Act.

On Payment of Purchase Money Premises to be vested in the Vestrymen.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That all such Sales, Conveyances, and Assurances of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be made to the said Vestrymen and their Successors, shall be made in the following Form of Words, or in any other Form of Words to the like Effect; (that is to say),

‘ I of  
 ‘ in consideration of the Sum of  
 ‘ to me paid by the Vestrymen for carrying into Execution  
 ‘ an Act, passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of King George  
 ‘ the Third, intituled *An Act* [here insert the Title of this Act], do hereby  
 ‘ grant and release to the said Vestrymen and their Successors, all [here  
 ‘ describe

Form of Conveyance.



‘ describe the Premises to be conveyed] and all my Right, Title, and Interest  
 ‘ in and to the same, and every Part thereof, to hold to the said Vestrymen  
 ‘ and their Successors for ever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set  
 ‘ my Hand and Seal, this of .  
 ‘ in the Year of our Lord .’

And every such Sale, Conveyance, and Assurance so made, shall be good, valid, and effectual to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever as to and against the Person or Persons making the same, and his, her, or their Cestuique Trusts, and all other Persons claiming or to claim by, from, under, or in Trust for him, her, or them respectively, or in Remainder, Reversion, or Expectancy, as aforesaid, and the same shall be deemed and construed to bar the Dower and Dowers of the Wife or Wives of such Person and Persons, and all Estates Tail and other Estates, in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, or Expectancy, and the Issue and Issues of such Person and Persons claiming under them, as effectually as Fines or Common Recoveries would do if levied or suffered by proper Parties in due Form of Law; any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Vestrymen  
 may re-sell  
 any Land  
 not wanted.

XXVII. And whereas the said Vestrymen under the Provisions of this Act may purchase Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which may be found not necessary, or not wanted for the Purposes thereof; be it therefore further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen, or any Five or more of them acting in Execution of this Act, to sell and dispose of, and by Indenture or Indentures under their Hands and Seals to grant and convey, by way of absolute Sale in Fee Simple, for a consideration in Money, all or any Part or Parts of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments which may have been so purchased, and which in the Judgment of the said Vestrymen, at any Meeting to be holden in pursuance of this Act, shall not be wanted for the Purposes of this Act; and upon Payment of the Money which shall arise by or from the Sale or Sales of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Part or Parts thereof, it shall and may be lawful for the Treasurer or Treasurers, or Clerk or Clerks for the Time being to the said Vestrymen, to sign and give Receipts for the Money for which the same shall be sold, which Receipts shall be sufficient Discharges to any Person or Persons for the Money therein and thereby expressed or acknowledged to be received, and such Person or Persons having *bonâ fide* paid the same shall not afterwards be answerable or accountable for any Loss, Misapplication, or Non-application of such Purchase Money, or any Part thereof.

Gravel may  
 be dug, &c.  
 from Ground  
 purchased.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Vestrymen to cause Gravel to be dug from any Part of the said Lands and Grounds which shall or may be purchased by virtue of this Act, and to use and apply such Gravel for any of the Purposes of this Act, or to sell the same, and the Money arising therefrom shall be applied and disposed of for the Purposes of this Act.

The Words,  
 ‘ Grant, Bar-  
 gain, and Sell,’  
 to operate as  
 Covenants for  
 the Title.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That in all Grants and Conveyances to be made by the said Vestrymen or any Five or more of them under or by virtue and in pursuance of this Act, the Words “ Grant, Bargain, and Sell,” shall amount to and be construed and adjudged in all Courts of Judicature to be express Covenants to the Grantee or Purchaser, his, her, or their Heirs,



Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, from the said Vestrymen, for themselves and their Successors, that they the said Vestrymen, notwithstanding any Act done by them, were at the Time of the Execution of such Grant or Conveyance seised of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments thereby granted, bargained, and sold, of an indefeasible Estate of Inheritance in Fee Simple, free from all Incumbrances, and for quiet Enjoyment thereof against the said Vestrymen, their Successors and Assigns, and all claiming under them.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That the Monies arising from the Sale of such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments shall be applied and disposed of by the said Vestrymen for carrying the several Purposes of this Act into Execution.

Monies received for Sale of Lands, &c. to be applied for the Purposes of this Act.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Vestrymen, at any of their Meetings, to contract or agree with any Person or Persons for the building of the said new Parish Church and Parsonage House, and for providing Materials for building, erecting, finishing, and completing the same, or any Part or Parts thereof, and for erecting, building, constructing, forming, or making any Building or Buildings or Works necessary for the Purposes of this Act; and all such Contracts or Agreements, when made, and entered into by or between the said Vestrymen and any other Person or Persons, with Sureties to be approved of by the said Vestrymen for the due Performance thereof, shall be reduced into Writing at the Expence of the Parties with whom such Contracts or Agreements shall be made by the said Vestrymen, and shall be good, valid, and binding, as well upon the said Vestrymen and their Successors, as upon all other Parties thereto, his, her, and their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns; and the said Vestrymen shall and may pay or order Payment to be made of the Monies due upon any such Contract or Contracts, Agreement or Agreements, out of the Monies to arise by virtue of this Act, to the Person or Persons entitled to receive the same: Provided always, that before any such Contract or Contracts shall be entered into, Fourteen Days Notice at the least shall be given in Two or more of the daily Newspapers, expressing the Object of every such Contract or Contracts, in order that any Person or Persons willing to undertake the same may make Proposals for that Purpose, to be offered and presented to the said Vestrymen at a certain Time and Place in such Notice to be mentioned; and Copies of all Contracts made in pursuance of this Act shall be entered in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and such Book or Books shall from Time to Time and at all convenient Times be open to the Inspection of all and every Person and Persons upon whom any Rate or Assessment shall be made under the Authority of this Act.

Power to contract for building the Church, &c.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That every such Contract or Contracts shall specify the several Works to be done, and the Prices to be received or paid for the same, and the Time or Times at which the said Works shall be completed, and the Penalties to be incurred for Nonperformance thereof, and shall be signed by any Five or more of the said Vestrymen, and also by the Person or Persons contracting to perform such Works respectively.

What Particulars the Contracts shall contain.

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XXXIII. And



Vestrymen  
may com-  
pound for  
Breach of  
Contract.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Vestrymen from Time to Time, as they shall think fit, to compound and agree with any Person or Persons on account of any Breach or Non-performance of any such Contract or Contracts, for such Sum or Sums of Money as they shall think proper.

Materials,  
&c. vested in  
Vestrymen.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That until the said new Church and other Buildings and Works shall be built and completed, all the Stones, Bricks, Tiles, Timber, Iron, Lead, and other Materials to be purchased or procured for building and completing the same, or for any Works to be erected or executed by virtue of this Act, or for any of the Purposes of this Act, shall belong to and be the Property of and the same is and are hereby vested in the said Vestrymen for executing this Act; and it shall be lawful for the said Vestrymen to bring or cause to be brought any Action or Actions, or to direct the preferring of any Bill or Bills or Indictment (as the Case may require), against any Person or Persons who shall steal, take, or carry away any such Stones, Bricks, Tiles, Timber, Iron, Lead, or other Materials, or shall spoil, injure, deface, or destroy any of the Works, Erections, or Buildings to be made and erected by virtue of this Act; and in all such Actions or Bills of Indictment it shall be and be deemed and taken to be sufficient to state generally that the Articles or Article, Things or Thing, or that the Works, Erections, or Buildings, for or on account of which such Action or Actions shall be brought, or Bill or Bills of Indictment preferred, is or are the Property of *The Vestrymen of the Parish of All Saints Poplar in the County of Middlesex*, without particularly specifying or stating the Name or Names of all or any of the said Vestrymen.

Vestrymen  
empowered  
to place Bars  
to prevent  
Noise during  
Divine Ser-  
vice on Sun-  
days, &c.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to place or cause to be placed Bars or Rails at the End of any Street or Place immediately leading or adjoining to the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar*, in order to prevent Noise during the Time of Divine Service on a *Sunday*, or on *Christmas Day*, *Good Friday*, or Fast Days or Days of Thanksgiving by Proclamation; and the said Vestrymen, and all Persons acting under the Direction of the said Vestrymen, are hereby indemnified from any Prosecution or Action whatsoever for so doing.

Right of  
Presentation.

XXXVI. And be it further enacted, That the Advowson and Right of Presentation of and to the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar* shall for ever belong to the Principal and Scholars of *King's Hall*, and College of *Brazen Nose*, in the University of *Oxford*, and their Successors, who shall and may (except as to the Appointment of the first Rector as after-mentioned) present a fit Person to be instituted and admitted Rector of the said new Parish Church on every future Vacancy or Avoidance thereof; and the Rector of the said new Parish shall have and enjoy the Parsonage House for the Habitation of the Minister, to be built as aforesaid, and also shall be entitled to such Stipend (exclusive of his Surplice Fees) as is herein-after mentioned; and upon Failure of every such Presentation, the Right of Presentation for that Turn shall lapse to the Lord Bishop of *London* for the Time being, and to the Metropolitan, and to the Crown successively, according to the Course of Law in Cases of Presentative Benefices.



XXXVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That *Samuel Hoole* Clerk shall be and he is hereby constituted and appointed the first Rector of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if he had been presented, instituted, and inducted thereunto, and observed all Matters and Things which other Rectors of Parishes, either before or after their Institution and Induction, are by Law required to do, perform, and observe; and that he the said *Samuel Hoole*, and his Successors Rectors of the said Parish, shall be incorporated, and shall have Capacity and Succession by the Name of *The Rector of the Parish of All Saints Poplar in the County of Middlesex*, and is and are hereby enabled to sue or be sued by that Name in all Courts and Places of this Realm; and every such Rector shall be subject in all respects to the ordinary Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction by Law established.

Appoint-  
ment of first  
Rector.

XXXVIII. And for the better Maintenance and Support of the Rector of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall, by and out of the Fees and Money to be received and the Rates directed to be made under and by virtue of this Act, yearly and every Year for ever, after the Consecration of the said new Church, well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the Rector of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, the yearly Sum of Four hundred and fifty Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, without any Deduction or Abatement whatsoever, by Four even and equal Quarterly Payments, that is to say, on *Lady Day, Midsummer Day, Michaelmas Day, and Christmas Day* in every Year, the first Payment to be made on such of the said Days as shall first and next happen after the Consecration of the said new Church; and if Default shall happen to be made in Payment of the said yearly Sum of Four hundred and fifty Pounds, or any Part thereof, for the Space of Twenty-one Days next over or after any of the said Feasts or Days of Payment whereon the same ought to be paid as aforesaid, then it shall and may be lawful to and for such Rector to sue for and recover the same, with full Costs of Suit, against the Churchwardens of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, by Action of Debt in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, wherein no Essoign, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed: Provided always, that such Churchwardens shall be reimbursed, out of the Monies to be received or raised by virtue of this Act, all such Sum and Sums of Money, Costs, Damages, and Expences, as they may pay, be put unto, or become charged or chargeable with, by reason of their being so sued: Provided also, that until such Consecration of the said new Church, all Ecclesiastical Duties of or for the said Hamlet of *Poplar* and *Blackwall*, or new intended Parish, shall be done and performed by or under the Direction of the Rector of the said Parish of *Saint Dunstan Stebonheath* otherwise *Stepney*, as heretofore accustomed; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Salary for  
new Rector.

XXXIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Rectory of the said new Church or Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, shall not be taken or held in *Commendam*, and all Licences and Dispensations for taking and holding the same in *Commendam* shall be utterly void and of no Effect; any Law, Usage, or Custom to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

The Rectory  
not to be  
held in Com-  
mendam.



Vestrymen  
to appoint a  
Lecturer.

XL. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, from Time to Time to nominate and appoint, subject to the Provisions of an Act made in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *Charles* the Second, intituled *An Act for the Uniformity of Public Prayers, and Administration of Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies, and for establishing the Form of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons in the Church of England*, an Afternoon or Evening Lecturer in, for, or to the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar*; and such Lecturer shall have and receive, for performing his Duties as such Lecturer, such yearly Sum (not being less than Sixty Pounds *per Annum*) as the said Vestrymen shall think fit to appoint and direct, to be paid out of the Monies to arise by virtue of this Act; and such Lecturer shall not be displaced by the said Vestrymen except for lawful Cause, to be approved by the Lord Bishop of *London*.

Appoint-  
ment of  
Parish Clerk.

XLI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Vestrymen, with the Consent of the Rector of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, to appoint a Parish Clerk for the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar*, with such Salary or Allowance, not exceeding Ten Pounds *per Annum*, as they the said Vestrymen shall think proper; and such Clerk shall not be displaced, except at the Instance of the Rector of the said Parish, or the Vestrymen thereof, for lawful Cause, to be approved by the Lord Bishop of *London*.

Banns may  
be published  
and Mar-  
riages solemn-  
ized in the  
new Church.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That all Marriages duly solemnized in the said Parish Church (to be erected by virtue of this Act), according to and in pursuance of the Provisions and Directions of an Act made in the Twenty-sixth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Second, intituled *An Act for the better preventing clandestine Marriages*, shall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law; and a Register of every such Marriage, or a Copy thereof, shall be received in all Courts of Law and Equity as Evidence of Marriage, in such and the like Manner as the Register of any Marriage solemnized in any other Parish Church is received in Evidence.

Fees to be  
paid at the  
Performance  
of the several  
Ecclesiastical  
Offices.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall and may from Time to Time, with the Consent or Allowance of the Bishop or Ordinary, settle all Fees and Perquisites payable to the Rector, Parish Clerk, and other Officers and Attendants of the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar*, for or upon every Marriage, Burial, Baptism, or other Ecclesiastical Office.

Officers to  
be chosen.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That the Inhabitants of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, rated to and paying the several Parochial Rates of the said new Parish, shall, on the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* in every Year after the passing of this Act, or within Fourteen Days afterwards, at a Meeting to be held for that Purpose, at the Hour of Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, at the Town Hall, Workhouse, or other convenient Place within the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, and of which Meeting the said Vestrymen shall cause Notice to be given in Manner herein-before directed, elect and choose for One Year One Churchwarden (not being of the People commonly called *Quakers*), a Constable, and a sufficient Number of Headboroughs, not exceeding Fourteen, for the said Parish; and



and one other Churchwarden (not being of the People commonly called *Quakers*) shall at or within the Time aforesaid be chosen and appointed by the Rector of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar* for the like Term of One Year; and that both the said Churchwardens for the Time being, and also the Rector of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, for the Time being, shall by virtue of their Offices, and without any other Qualification, be Vestrymen for putting this Act into Execution, and for all the Purposes thereof.

XLV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen, and they are hereby required, to set out and allot a Pew in the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar* unto and for the Rector of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar* for the Time being, and one other Pew in the said Church unto and for the Churchwardens of the said Parish for the Time being, and one other Pew in the said Church unto and for the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish for the Time being, which said Pews shall respectively be and remain for ever thereafter the Pews of such Rector, Churchwardens, and Overseers for the Time being.

Seats in the new Church to be set out by the Vestrymen.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall from Time to Time set out and appropriate the several other Pews and Seats in the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar*, for the Use of the Parishioners of the said Parish, in the Way or Manner they shall think fit, and no Rent or other Consideration whatever shall be paid by or demanded of any Person or Persons whatsoever for the Use and Occupation of any of the said Pews or Seats: Provided always, that at least Twenty Feet in Width, the whole Length of the said Church from the Entrance to the Altar (except such Space as may be necessary for the Erection of the Pulpit, Reading Desk, Clerk's Desk, and the Pews for the Rector, Churchwardens, and Overseers), shall be left in the Centre Part of the Nave of the said Church, upon the Floor of which shall be fixed or placed Open Seats for the Ease, Convenience, and Benefit of the poor Inhabitants of the said Parish who shall attend Divine Service therein.

Regulation of Pews and Seats.

XLVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Vestrymen to sell and dispose of all or any of the Vaults to be constructed under the said Parish Church or Churchyard of *All Saints Poplar* by virtue of this Act, for the Purposes of Burial; and all such Vaults to be sold by virtue of this Act shall and may be conveyed as Freehold of Inheritance in Fee Simple unto the Purchaser or Purchasers of the same respectively; and a Conveyance of the same by Lease and Release, made and executed by any Five of the said Vestrymen, at a General Meeting of the said Vestrymen, shall be valid and effectual in the Law to vest the same in such Purchaser or Purchasers, and his, her, and their respective Heirs and Assigns, absolutely for ever; and all the Monies to arise from the Sale of the said Vaults shall be applied and disposed of by the said Vestrymen for the Purposes of this Act.

Vestrymen empowered to sell the Vaults under the Church.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen, at any of their Meetings to be held in pursuance of this Act, to settle and fix the Rates and Fees for Burial of the Dead in the Vaults and Graves of the said Church and Churchyard; and shall and

Vestrymen to fix the Rates and Fees for Burials, in the Vaults of

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may from Time to Time make such Rules, Orders, and Regulations relative to and concerning Burials, and for keeping the said Church and Churchyard, and the Vaults, Graves, Tombs, Works, and Conveniences to be made, erected, and provided by virtue of this Act, in good and sufficient Repair and Condition, and may from Time to Time alter and amend the said Rates and Fees, and make such other Rules, Orders, and Regulations in and concerning the Premises, as to the said Vestrymen shall appear reasonable, necessary, and convenient; provided nevertheless, that no Grave shall at any Time be made or allowed for the Interment of any Person under the Site of the said Church, but that the Interment of the Deceased under such Church shall be in Leaden Coffins, and in Vaults, and not otherwise.

No Grave to  
be allowed  
under the  
Church,  
otherwise  
than in  
Vaults.

Regulation  
for Monu-  
mental Stones  
and Tombs.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That no Monumental Stone or Tomb shall be erected or placed under the said Church, or in the said Churchyard, except under the Regulations of the said Vestrymen; and no Monumental Stone or Tomb shall be erected or placed in the said Church, except as well with the Consent of the Rector as of the Vestrymen of the said Parish.

Penalty on  
destroying  
Walls or  
Monuments.

L. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall wilfully and maliciously injure, pull, or break down any Tree or Trees, Rail or Rails, Fence or Fences, Wall or Walls, or other Inclosure of the said Parish Church, Churchyard, Parsonage House, or other Buildings or Works, or any Part or Parts thereof, or wilfully or maliciously break down or destroy any Head or Foot Stone, or Monument which shall be therein erected or placed, or obliterate or deface any Inscription thereon, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds, and shall also make Satisfaction for the Damage so by him, her, or them done as aforesaid.

The Great  
Tithes con-  
tinued to  
Brazen Nose  
College.

LI. Provided always, and be it further enacted and declared, That all Great Tithes, or any Modus or Composition in lieu thereof, arising within the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, shall be continued to be paid to the Principal and Scholars of *King's Hall* and *College of Brazen Nose* in the University of *Oxford*, or to the Person or Persons to whom the same do of Right belong, in such and the like Manner as if this Act had not been made; any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Compen-  
sation to pre-  
sent Rector  
of Stepney;

LII. And, for making a Recompense to *Thomas Barneby* Clerk, the present Rector of the said Parish of *Stebonheath* otherwise *Stepney*, during his Incumbency, for the Small Tithes, *Easter Offerings*, Garden-pennies, Surplice Fees, and other Perquisites arising or to arise within the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar* (heretofore the Hamlet of *Poplar* and *Blackwall*), and which from henceforth are hereby intended to cease as aforesaid, except as to his Surplice Fees until the Consecration of the said new Church as herein-after mentioned, and for and in lieu thereof; be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, and until the Consecration of the said new Church, the said Vestrymen shall, by and out of the Fees and Money to be received and the Rates directed to be made under and by virtue of this Act, well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said *Thomas Barneby* (provided he shall so long continue to be such Incumbent)



the yearly Sum of Sixty Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, without any Deduction or Abatement whatsoever, by Four even and equal Quarterly Payments, (that is to say), on *Lady Day*, *Midsummer Day*, *Michaelmas Day*, and *Christmas Day* in every Year; the first Payment to be made on such of the said Days as shall first and next happen after the passing of this Act; and that from and after the Consecration of the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar* the said Vestrymen shall, by and out of the Fees and Money to be received and the Rates directed to be made under and by virtue of this Act, well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said *Thomas Barneby*, during so long Time as he shall continue to be such Incumbent, the yearly Sum of One hundred and sixty Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, without any Deduction or Abatement whatsoever, by Four even and equal Quarterly Payments, that is to say, on *Lady Day*, *Midsummer Day*, *Michaelmas Day*, and *Christmas Day* in every Year, the First Payment to be made on such of the said Days as shall first and next happen after the Consecration of the said Parish Church of *All Saints Poplar*; and if Default shall happen to be made in Payment of either of the said yearly Sums of Sixty Pounds, and One hundred and sixty Pounds, or any Part thereof, for the Space of Twenty-one Days next over or after any of the said Feasts or Days of Payment whereon the same ought to be paid as aforesaid, then it shall and may be lawful to and for the said *Thomas Barneby* to sue for and recover the same, with full Costs of Suit, against the Churchwardens of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, by Action of Debt in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, wherein no Essoign, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed; provided also, that such Churchwardens shall be reimbursed, out of the Monies to be received or raised by virtue of this Act, all such Sum and Sums of Money, Costs, Damages, and Expences, as they may pay, be put unto, or become charged or chargeable with, by reason of their being so sued; provided also, that until the Consecration of the said new Church, the said *Thomas Barneby* shall be entitled to his Surplice Fees for performing his Ecclesiastical Duties of or for the said Hamlet as heretofore accustomed.

LIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall, by and out of the Fees and Money to be received and the Rates directed to be made under and by virtue of this Act, yearly and every Year, from and after the Consecration of the said new Church, well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto *Ithiel Price*, the present Clerk of the said Parish Church of *Stepney*, during his holding the said Clerk's Place, for the Loss he will sustain by making of the said new Parish, the Sum of Thirty Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, without any Deduction or Abatement whatsoever, by Four even and equal Quarterly Payments, that is to say, on *Lady Day*, *Midsummer Day*, *Michaelmas Day*, and *Christmas Day* in every Year, the First Payment to be made on such of the said Days as shall first and next happen after the Consecration of the said new Church; and if Default shall happen to be made in Payment of the said yearly Sum of Thirty Pounds, or any Part thereof, for the Space of Twenty-one Days next over or after any of the said Feasts or Days of Payment whereon the same ought to be paid as aforesaid, then it shall and may be lawful to and for the said *Ithiel Price* to sue for and recover the same, with full Costs of Suit, against the Churchwardens of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*,

also to the  
Parish Clerk  
of *Stepney*;



*Poplar*, by Action of Debt in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, wherein no Essoign, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed: Provided always, that such Churchwardens shall be reimbursed, out of the Monies to be raised by virtue of this Act, all such Sum and Sums of Money, Costs, Damages, and Expences, as they may pay, be put unto, or become charged or chargeable with by reason of their being so sued.

also to the Sexton of Stepney.

LIV. And be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall, by and out of the Fees and Money to be received and the Rates directed to be made under and by virtue of this Act, yearly and every Year, from and after the Consecration of the said new Church, well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto *James Duffield*, the present Sexton of the said Parish Church of *Stepney*, during his holding of the said Sexton's Place, for the Loss he will sustain by making of the said new Parish, the Sum of Ten Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, without any Deduction or Abatement whatsoever, by Four even and equal Quarterly Payments, that is to say, on *Lady Day*, *Midsummer Day*, *Michaelmas Day*, and *Christmas Day* in every Year, the First Payment to be made on such of the said Days as shall first and next happen after the Consecration of the said new Church; and that the said yearly Payment to the said Sexton shall and may be sued for and recovered in the Manner herein-before directed as to the yearly Payment to the present Parish Clerk of *Stepney*.

Power to borrow Money.

LV. And in order to enable the said Vestrymen to carry the several Purposes of this Act into Execution, be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for any Five or more of the said Vestrymen from Time to Time to borrow and take up at Interest, by way of Mortgage, Annuity, or otherwise, such Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Thirty thousand Pounds, as they shall judge necessary for the several Purposes of this Act, upon the Credit of the Rates or Assessments to be made, levied, and collected by virtue of this Act, and by Writing under their Hands and Seals to assign all or any Part of the said Rates or Assessments to such Person or Persons as shall lend or advance any Money thereon, or to his, her, or their Trustee or Trustees, as a Security for the Principal Money to be advanced, with lawful Interest for the same, and the Charges and Expences of such Assignment (to be made as herein-after mentioned) shall be from Time to Time defrayed by the said Vestrymen out of the Money so borrowed; and every such Assignment shall be in the Words or to the Effect following; (that is to say),

Form of Assignment.

WE of the Vestrymen acting in pursuance of an Act passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of King George the Third, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*] in consideration of the Sum of advanced and lent by of in the County of upon the Credit and for the Purposes of the said Act, do hereby grant and assign unto the said [*or his Trustee or Trustees, as the Case may be*] his [*or her*] Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, such Proportion of the Rates or Assessments to be raised, levied, and collected by virtue of the said Act, as the said Sum of doth or shall bear to the whole Sum which may at any Time be borrowed, or become due



due and owing, or be charged upon the Credit of the said Rates or  
 Assessments, to be had and holden from this Day of  
 until the said Sum of with Interest after the  
 Rate of *per Centum per Annum* for the same, shall be fully  
 paid and satisfied. In Witness whereof, we the said Vestrymen have  
 hereunto set our Hands and Seals, the Day of  
 in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and

And all such Assignments shall be numbered, commencing with Number  
 One, and so proceeding in an Arithmetical Progression ascending, whereof  
 the common Excess or Difference shall always be one in respect of any  
 One hundred Pounds so advanced as aforesaid; and every such Security  
 shall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law, and shall entitle the Person  
 or Persons to whom the same shall be made, his, her, or their Executors,  
 Administrators, and Assigns, to the Payment thereof, and to all Profit  
 and Advantage thereof, according to the Form of Words of such Assign-  
 ment, and the true Intent and Meaning of this Act.

LVI. And be it further enacted, That in case the said Vestrymen shall  
 think it advisable to raise all or any Part of the Money for the Purposes  
 of this Act by granting Annuities for Lives or by Way of Tontine, instead  
 of Assignments as aforesaid, then and in such Case it shall be lawful to and  
 for the said Vestrymen, and they are hereby authorized and empowered so  
 to do, and by Writing under their Hands and Seals to grant an Annuity  
 or Annuities to any Person or Persons who shall contribute, advance, and  
 pay into the Hands of their Treasurer or Treasurers any Sum or Sums of  
 Money for the absolute Purchase of any Annuity or Annuities, to be paid  
 and payable during the natural Life of every such Contributor, or the  
 natural Life of such Person as shall be nominated by or on the Behalf of  
 such Contributor at the Time of the Payment of his or her Contribution  
 or Purchase Money, and such Annuity or Annuities shall be paid by the  
 said Vestrymen out of the Monies to be raised by virtue of this Act; and  
 in case the said Vestrymen shall raise any of the Monies necessary for the  
 Purposes of this Act by Way of Tontine, then such Tontine shall be in  
 such Classes, at such Interest, and with such Benefit of Survivorship, and  
 subject to such Rules, Orders, and Regulations, as the said Vestrymen  
 shall make respecting the same, consistently with the Provisions of this Act,  
 which shall be binding and conclusive upon all Contributors thereto; and  
 the Grant of every such Annuity shall be in the Words or to the Effect  
 following:

Power to the  
 Vestrymen to  
 raise Money  
 by Annuities  
 or Tontine.

WE, of the Vestrymen acting in pursuance of an  
 Act made in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of King George  
 the Third, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*] in consideration  
 of the Sum of paid by to the  
 Treasurer appointed in pursuance of the said Act, do hereby grant unto  
 the said an Annuity or yearly Sum of  
 to be paid out of the Rates or Assessments to be raised, levied,  
 and collected by virtue of the said Act, which Annuity or yearly Sum of  
 shall be paid to the said  
 or his or her Assigns, during the Term of his or her natural Life [*or as  
 the Case may be*] to the said his or her Executors,  
 Administrators, or Assigns, during the natural Life of  
 upon the Day of the Day of  
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Form of  
 Grant of  
 Annuity.



‘ in every Year; the First Quarterly Payment thereof to be made upon  
 ‘ the Day of next ensuing the Date hereof: In  
 ‘ Witness whereof we the said Vestrymen have hereunto set our Hands and  
 ‘ Seals the Day of in the Year of our Lord One  
 ‘ thousand eight hundred and

And every such Grant shall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law without any Enrolment or Registry of the Memorial thereof in the High Court of Chancery, or elsewhere, (except as herein-after mentioned), any Law or Statute to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding; and every Annuity so to be granted as aforesaid shall be and is hereby charged upon and shall be payable and paid by the Treasurer to the said Vestrymen out of the Rates or Assessments respectively, according to the Grant of such Annuity.

Power of transferring Assignments and Annuities in a prescribed Form.

LVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the several Persons entitled to any of the Securities for the Money to be borrowed at legal Interest as aforesaid, or to be raised by granting of Annuities as aforesaid, and their respective Executors, Administrators, or Assigns (as the Case may be), at any Time, by Writing under their Hands and Seals, to transfer such Securities to any Person or Persons whomsoever; and every such Transfer may be in the Words or to the Effect following; that is to say,

‘ I *A. B.* being entitled to the Sum of [or, an Annuity  
 ‘ of ] by virtue of an Assignment, [or, Grant of an  
 ‘ Annuity], bearing Date the Day of under the  
 ‘ Hands and Seals of of the Vestrymen acting in the Execu-  
 ‘ tion of an Act passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of King  
 ‘ George the Third, intituled *An Act [here set forth the Title of this Act]*  
 ‘ upon the Credit of the Rates or Assessments granted or payable by the  
 ‘ said Act, do hereby transfer all my Right and Interest in and to the same  
 ‘ Sum [or Annuity, and all Interest and other Money now due and arising  
 ‘ thereon], unto his or her Executors, Administrators, and  
 ‘ Assigns, dated the Day of

And a Copy of every such Security or Assignment, together with the Number or Numbers thereof, and of every Grant of Annuity made in pursuance of this Act, and an Extract or Memorial of every Transfer thereof respectively, shall be entered in a Book, to be kept for that Purpose by the Clerk to the said Vestrymen, which Extract or Memorial shall specify and contain the Date, Names of the Parties, and Sums of Money thereby transferred, to which Book any Person interested shall at all reasonable Times have Access, and shall have free Liberty to inspect the same without Fee or Reward; and for the entering of every such Transfer the said Clerk shall be paid, by the Person or Persons to whom such Transfer shall be made, the Sum of Five Shillings and no more; and every such Transfer, after entering thereof as aforesaid, shall entitle the Person to whom such Transfer shall be made, and his or her Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to the Benefit of the Security thereby transferred, without any Registry or Enrolment thereof.

For granting Annuities under certain Restrictions.

LVIII. And for preventing any improvident Grants of Annuities under this Act, be it further enacted, That no Annuities shall be granted, by virtue of this Act for any single Life at any higher Rate than the following,  
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ing, (that is to say), when the Age of the Annuitant, or Person for whose Life the Annuity shall be granted, shall not exceed Thirty-five Years, the Annuity to be granted shall not exceed the Rate of Eight Pounds Three Shillings for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money paid for the Purchase thereof; where the Age of such Person shall not exceed Forty Years, the Annuity to be granted shall not exceed the Rate of Eight Pounds Ten Shillings for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money; where the Age of such Person shall not exceed Forty-five Years, the Annuity shall not exceed the Rate of Nine Pounds for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money; when the Age of such Person shall not exceed Fifty Years, the Annuity shall not exceed the Rate of Nine Pounds Twelve Shillings for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money; where the Age of such Person shall not exceed Fifty-five Years, the Annuity shall not exceed the Rate of Ten Pounds Eight Shillings for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money; where the Age of such Person shall not exceed Sixty Years, the Annuity shall not exceed the Rate of Eleven Pounds Eight Shillings for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money; where the Age of such Person shall not exceed Sixty-six Years, the Annuity shall not exceed the Rate of Twelve Pounds Seventeen Shillings for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money; where the Age of such Person shall not exceed Seventy Years, the Annuity shall not exceed the Rate of Fifteen Pounds One Shilling for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money; and where the Age of such Person shall not exceed Seventy-five Years, the Annuity shall not exceed the Rate of Eighteen Pounds Ten Shillings for each One hundred Pounds of the Consideration Money.

LIX. And in order that no Preference may be given to any of the Persons who shall have advanced or lent Money upon the Credit of the said Rates or Assessments, be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen (if there shall be more Creditors than one) shall cause the Number or Numbers of all Assignments or Securities granted and then in force for securing the Principal Monies lent and advanced upon the Credit of the said Rates or Assessments, of which Part shall be then intended to be paid off, to be written upon distinct Pieces of Paper, of an equal Size, as near as may be; and all such Papers shall be rolled up in the same Form, or as near as may be, and be put into a Box or Wheel, and the Number or Numbers of the said Assignments or Securities shall be drawn separately out of the said Box or Wheel by the Clerk to the said Vestrymen; and after every such Ballot the said Vestrymen shall cause Notice, signed by their Clerk, to be given to or left at the last or usual Place of Abode of the Person or Persons who shall be entitled to the Money to be paid off pursuant to such Ballot; and when there is only One Creditor, to give Notice to such Creditor of the Intention of the said Vestrymen to pay him or her as aforesaid; and every such Notice shall express the Sum to be paid off, together with the Interest due thereon, and that the same shall be paid on a Day and at a Place to be specified in such Notice, such Day not being sooner than Six Days after the Date of giving or leaving such Notice as aforesaid; and the Interest of the Principal Money to be so paid off shall from the Day so specified cease, and be no longer paid or payable, unless such Money shall be demanded pursuant to such Notice and not paid; but the Principal Money in respect whereof such Notice shall be given,

Provision for  
the Payment  
of the Cre-  
ditors by  
Ballot.

and



and also the Interest thereof to the Day so specified, shall nevertheless be payable on Demand; but nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend so as to require the said Vestrymen to pay off and discharge any Monies lent on the Credit of the Rates or Assessments by way of Annuity, until all other the Creditors on the said Rates or Assessments shall be paid off and discharged, and the several Parties so lending Money by way of Annuity shall agree to accept the Sum or Sums of Money offered by the said Vestrymen, for the Re-purchase of such his, her, or their Annuity or Annuities.

Power to borrow Money at lower Interest, to discharge Securities at a higher Rate.

LX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in case the said Vestrymen can at any Time borrow or take up any Sum or Sums of Money at a lower Rate of Interest than the Assignments or Securities which shall be then in force shall bear, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen from Time to Time to charge the said Rates and Assessments in the Manner aforesaid with such Sum or Sums of Money as they shall think proper, and the Interest thereof at such lower Rate as aforesaid, and to pay off and discharge the Assignments and Securities bearing a higher Rate of Interest, according to the Directions and Regulations herein prescribed for paying off Assignments or Securities; but a Preference shall be given to Persons holding the Assignments and Securities bearing such higher Rate of Interest, who shall be willing to advance their Money at such lower Rate of Interest.

Rate or Assessment to be made for raising Money to answer the Purposes of the Act.

LXI. And be it further enacted, That in order to raise Money to answer the Purposes of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Vestrymen, from Time to Time as they may think necessary, by Writing under their Hands to make an Assessment or Assessments, Rate or Rates, on the Occupiers of all Lands, Houses, Shops, Warehouses, Docks, Canals, Wharfs, Vaults, Coach Houses, Cellars, Stables, Gardens, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and all other Property within the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar* liable by Law to be rated or assessed to the Poor Rates of this Kingdom, of any Sum of Money, not exceeding Twelve-pence in the Pound in any one Year on the yearly Rent or Value of such Lands, Houses, Shops, Warehouses, Docks, Canals, Wharfs, Vaults, Coach Houses, Cellars, Stables, Gardens, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Property, and to order and direct the Collector or Collectors to be appointed in pursuance of this Act to collect and receive from such Occupiers as aforesaid, such Rates and Sums of Money as shall be assessed or rated as aforesaid; all which Rates and Assessments so to be rated, assessed, and collected, are hereby vested in the said Vestrymen in Trust, to be by them applied for the Purposes of this Act; and it shall be lawful for the said Vestrymen, or for such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, at all convenient Times to inspect the Pours Rate of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, in order to ascertain the Rates to be made by virtue of this Act, and to take Copies thereof *gratis*; but nothing herein contained shall alter, affect, or make void any Covenant or Agreement between Landlord and Tenant, relating to or concerning the Payment of any Rates or Assessments within the said Parish; and Notice of every Meeting for making any such Rate or Assessment shall be given in Manner herein-before directed.

LXII. And



LXII. And be it further enacted, That the several Lessors, Landlords, Owners, or Proprietors of all such Houses, Buildings, Tenements, or Hereditaments within the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar* let, or which hereafter shall be let out in Parts or separate Apartments, or ready furnished, shall respectively be deemed and taken to be the Occupiers thereof for the Purposes of this Act only, and shall be liable and subject to the Payment of the Rates or Assessments directed by this Act to be made, raised, levied, and received; and that each and every Person renting or occupying any such Part or separate Apartment as aforesaid shall in the first Instance be liable to the Payments of the said Rates or Assessments, and all Arrears thereof to be recovered in Manner herein-after directed; and the respective Persons so renting and occupying any such Part or separate Apartment, or ready furnished House, or other Building or Tenement, who shall pay such Rates or Assessments, or any Arrears thereof, or from whom the same shall be recovered in pursuance of this Act, shall and may deduct the same from and out of the next Rent, or any other Rent due and payable by him, her, or them to such respective Lessor or Landlord, Owner or Proprietor, and the Receipt for such Payment shall be a sufficient Discharge for all and every such Tenant or Tenants, Occupier or Occupiers, to his, her, or their Landlord for so much Money as he, she, or they shall pay, or shall be levied and recovered on the Goods and Chattels of him, her, or them respectively by virtue of this Act: Provided always, that no such Person so renting or occupying any such Part or separate Apartment as aforesaid of any such House, Building, Tenement, or Hereditament, shall be subject or liable or required to pay for or in respect of any such Rates or Assessments, or for or in respect of any such Costs, Charges, and Expences, any Sum or Sums of Money beyond the Amount of the Rent which shall be then actually due in respect of the said Premises from him, her, or them respectively.

Landlords of Houses let in separate Apartments, or ready furnished, deemed the Occupiers.

LXIII. And whereas it may happen that Persons may remove without paying the Rates assessed on them, and other Persons may enter and occupy their Lands, Houses, Tenements, or Hereditaments and Premises, Part of the Year, by reason of which great Sums of Money may be annually lost; be it therefore further enacted, That when any Person or Persons shall come into and occupy any Land, House, Tenement, or Hereditament, or any Lands, Houses, Tenements, Hereditaments, or Premises, which any other Person or Persons, assessed in respect of the same, shall cease to occupy, or out of or from which any Person or Persons shall have removed, or which, at the Time of making such Rates or Assessments was unoccupied or empty, that then and in any such Case such Person so ceasing to occupy or removing from, and every Person succeeding in Occupation or removing into the same, shall be liable to pay the said Rates or Assessments in proportion to the Time that such Person occupied the same respectively, in the same Manner and under the like Penalties as if such Person so removing had not removed, or such succeeding Occupier had been originally rated and assessed in and for such Rates and Assessments, which Proportion, in case of any Dispute, shall be ascertained by the Vestrymen; provided that nothing in this Act contained shall extend to authorize the said Vestrymen to tax, rate, or assess any Person for any of the Purposes of this Act, or subject any Person to pay any of the Rates or Assessments to be made by virtue of this Act, for any Land, Messuage, Tenement,

Persons to pay only for the Time they occupy.

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Buildings, or Hereditaments, which shall be so unoccupied or empty, during the Time the same shall be so unoccupied or empty, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Recovery of Rates.

LXIV. And be it further enacted, That in case any Person or Persons charged with any such Rate or Assessment to be made or assessed by virtue of this Act shall refuse or neglect to pay the Money rated or assessed upon him, her, or them respectively, after Demand thereof made, by Notice left at his, her, or their House or other Premises within the said Parish, it shall be lawful for any One or more of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and required to summon, by Writing under his or their Hand or Hands, all and every Person and Persons so charged, and who shall have so refused or neglected as aforesaid (on Oath being made before such Justice or Justices by the Collector or Collectors for the Time being of his, her, or their having attended upon and at the Place or Places of Abode of such Person or Persons then intended to be summoned, and having so as aforesaid demanded the Rate or Rates, and of the same being unpaid), to appear before such Justice or Justices at a Time and Place to be mentioned in such Summons, (Service by such Collector or Collectors, or by any of the Constables or Beadles of the said Parish, of every such Summons, either by delivering the same to the Person or Persons hereby intended to be summoned, or by leaving the same at his, her, or their last or most usual Place of Abode, to be deemed good Service); and if any Person or Persons so summoned shall refuse or neglect, without sufficient Excuse, to attend at the Time and Place mentioned in such Summons, or if he, she, or they do or shall attend, and shall not make it appear to such Justice or Justices that he, she, or they is or are not chargeable with such Rate or Rates, according to this Act, then all and every the Person and Persons who shall have been so summoned shall pay as well such Rate as the reasonable Costs and Charges of such Summons; and in all Cases where the said Rate or Assessment, Costs and Charges, shall not be paid upon the Return of such Summons, it shall be lawful to and for the said Justice or Justices who shall have issued the same, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and required (on Oath being made before him or them of the due Service of such Summons as aforesaid, which Oath he or they is and are hereby empowered to administer) to grant a Warrant or Warrants under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, authorizing and directing such Collector or Collectors, Constable or Constables, or any Beadle or Beadles of the said new Parish, to levy all such Rates or Assessments, and all Arrears thereof, and the Expences of the Summons and Warrant, by Distress of the Goods and Chattels of the Party so neglecting or refusing which shall be found within the said County of *Middlesex*; and if within Five Days next after any such Distress shall be so made the said Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, and Arrears, and the Costs and Charges of the said Summons and Warrant, and of such Distress, and of keeping such Goods and Chattels, shall not be paid and satisfied, it shall be lawful for such Collector or Collectors, Constable or Constables, to cause the said Goods and Chattels, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient, to be appraised by One or more Appraiser or Appraisers and sold, to pay the said Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, together with such Costs, Charges, and Expences as aforesaid, returning the Overplus of the Money arising



arising by such Sale (if any) to the Owner or Owners of the Goods or Chattels respectively, on Demand thereof made by him, her, or them.

LXV. And be it further enacted, That in case any Person or Persons who shall be rated or assessed by virtue of this Act, shall quit his, her, or their Land or Lands, House or Houses, Shop or Shops, Warehouse or Warehouses, Wharf or Wharfs, Dock or Docks, Coach-house or Coach-houses, Stable or Stables, Cellar or Cellars, or other Hereditaments whereon any Rate or Assessment shall be made by virtue of this Act, before he, she, or they shall have paid such Rate, and shall afterwards refuse or neglect to pay the same, when demanded of such Person or Persons, or at his, her, or their Place of Abode, by the said Collector or Collectors, then and in every such Case it shall be lawful for any One or more of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex*, and he and they is and are hereby required to grant a Warrant or Warrants of Distress, under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals (on Oath being made before him or them by the said Collector or Collectors, of the Person or Persons having been so rated, and of his, her, or their having quitted the Premises as aforesaid, and of the said Rate or Assessment having been demanded of or from or at the then Place of Abode of such Person or Persons, and which Oath such Justice or Justices is and are hereby authorized and empowered to administer), authorizing and directing any Constables or Constable of the said Parish, or of the said Parish or Place where such Person or Persons shall then reside, to distrain the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons so refusing or neglecting to pay, and to sell the same, and such Warrant being countersigned or backed by some Magistrate for the County, City, or Liberty where the Person or Persons shall then reside, if he, she, or they shall have quitted the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, which such Magistrate is hereby required to countersign or back, it shall be lawful for such Constable or Constables to distrain and sell the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons so quitting the said Premises without having paid his, her, or their Rate or Assessment as aforesaid, rendering the Overplus (if any) after having retained the Rate or Assessment and all Arrears thereof, and all the Costs and Charges of such Summons, Warrant of Distress and Sale, to the Owner or Owners of such Goods and Chattels respectively.

For Recovery of Rates from Persons quitting the Premises.

LXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if it shall appear to the said Vestrymen, at any Time after making of any Rate or Assessment to be made under the Authority of this Act, that the Name of any Person liable to be included in such Rate or Assessment hath been omitted therein, it shall be lawful for the said Vestrymen to add or cause to be added to such Rate or Assessment the Name of any Person so omitted, together with the Sum for which he ought to be so rated, and the Amount of such Rate or Assessment in respect thereof; and every such Addition made to any of the said Rates shall be as valid and effectual in Law to all Intents and Purposes as if the same had been inserted in the Rate at the Time the same was first made out.

Vestrymen may rectify Omissions in Rates.

LXVII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Vestrymen, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to grant to any Person or Persons, on account of Poverty, such Relief

Powers in the Vestrymen to remit a Part of the Rates.



Relief in the Payment of any Rate or Assessment as they the said Vestrymen shall think proper.

Collectors to pay Money collected to the Treasurer.

LXVIII. And be it further enacted, That the Collector and Collectors of the Rates and Assessments to be made by virtue of this Act, shall and he and they is and are hereby required from Time to Time, when and as he and they shall respectively collect, recover, and receive the Monies to arise thereby, to pay the same into the Hands of the Treasurer or Treasurers of the said Vestrymen for the Time being, to be applied and paid by the said Treasurer or Treasurers for the Purposes of this Act, according to the Orders and Directions of the said Vestrymen.

Treasurer to pay Money to the Order of Vestrymen.

LXIX. And be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall and they are hereby empowered, by an Order or Orders in Writing under the Hands of Five or more of them the said Vestrymen at any public Meeting, to direct their Treasurer or Treasurers from Time to Time to pay such Sum or Sums of Money out of the several Monies borrowed, raised, levied, and collected by virtue of this Act, and paid to or received by such Treasurer or Treasurers, to such Person or Persons and in such Manner as they the said Vestrymen shall think necessary and expedient for the Purposes of this Act; and upon the Receipt of such Order or Orders, such Treasurer and Treasurers is and are hereby authorized and required to pay from Time to Time the Sum or Sums of Money expressed in such Order or Orders, which Sum or Sums so paid shall be allowed to the said Treasurer and Treasurers in his or their Accounts.

Vestrymen empowered to lay out the Money in Government or other Securities.

LXX. And be it further enacted, That in the meantime, and until such Monies shall be applied for carrying the Purposes of this Act into Execution, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, from Time to Time to lay out or invest the same in or upon Government or other Public Funds or Securities, at Interest, in such of their Names as the said Vestrymen shall direct; and from Time to Time to sell and dispose of the Stocks, Funds, or Securities in which the same shall have been laid out and invested as aforesaid, and again to lay out the same in the like Stocks, Funds or Securities, and so *toties quoties*, and from Time to Time to apply and dispose of the Dividends, Interest or Annual Produce thereof, for and towards carrying the several Purposes of this Act into Execution.

After the Death of the Annuitants and Payment of the Monies borrowed, &c. Rates shall cease.

LXXI. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Completion of the said Church and other Buildings and Works, and the Deaths of the several Persons on whose Lives Annuities or other Payments shall or may be granted by virtue of this Act, and from and after the Payment of all Monies to be raised, borrowed, or taken up at Interest or otherwise by virtue of this Act, on the Credit of the said Rates and Assessments, and also after Payment and Discharge of all Expences and Charges of applying for and passing this Act, the Rates or Assessments hereby directed to be raised and paid for those Purposes shall, in respect thereof, absolutely cease and determine.

For auditing Accounts.

LXXII. And be it further enacted, That Once at least in every Year during the Execution of this Act (such Year to be computed from the passing of this Act) the said Vestrymen shall and they are hereby required to



to examine, audit, and settle the Accounts of Monies received and paid by them by virtue and in Execution of this Act, and an Abstract of such Accounts shall within Three Calendar Months next following be printed for the Use of the Vestrymen of the said new intended Parish.

LXXIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Vestrymen shall and they are hereby required to provide and keep, or to order and direct to be provided and kept by their Clerk for the Time being, a Book or Books, in which Book or Books such Clerk shall enter or cause to be entered true and regular Accounts of all Sums of Money received, paid, laid out, and expended under the Powers and Provisions of this Act, and of the several Articles, Matters, and Things for which Sums of Money shall have been disbursed, laid out, and paid, and also Minutes of all Contracts made with or by any Artificers or Workmen employed in any Works to be executed by virtue of this Act, or any Matter or Thing relating thereto, and of all other Proceedings of the said Vestrymen; and a separate Account shall be kept of the Rates or Assessments to be made in pursuance of this Act; which Book or Books shall be produced by the said Clerk at every Meeting to be held in pursuance of this Act, and shall also at all reasonable Times be laid open to the Inspection of the said Vestrymen, or any of them, and of any Person or Persons who shall be liable to pay any Rates or Assessments to be made by virtue or in pursuance of this Act, without Fee or Reward; and the said Vestrymen and Persons, or any of them, shall or may take Copies of or Extracts from the said Book or Books, or any Part or Parts thereof; and in case the said Clerk shall refuse to permit the said Vestrymen, or such Persons, or any of them, at any reasonable Time to inspect the same, or to take such Copies or Extracts as aforesaid, such Clerk shall forfeit and pay any Sum of Money not exceeding the Sum of Ten Pounds, to be levied and recovered in like manner as is by this Act provided for Recovery of Penalties under this Act.

Accounts to be kept of Receipts and Disbursements, which shall be open to the Inspection of the Vestrymen and Persons paying Rates.

LXXIV. And be it further enacted, That all the Costs, Charges, and Expences of passing this Act, and all other Charges necessarily incidental to the applying for and attending the obtaining and passing this Act, shall be borne, paid, and defrayed out of the first Monies which shall arise and be received or which shall be raised by virtue of or under this Act.

For paying the Expences of the Act.

LXXV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall on a Sunday, or on Christmas Day, Good Friday, or on Fast Days or Thanksgiving Days by Proclamation, blow any Horn or other Instrument within the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar*, for the Purpose of hawking or selling of any Newspaper or Gazette, or shall meet or assemble for the Purpose of fighting or racing, or playing at any Game or Games, or for Bull-baiting, it shall and may be lawful to and for any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex*, and he is hereby required, upon Complaint to him made by any credible Witness or Witnesses of any such Offence, to issue out a Warrant to apprehend the Party or Parties accused, and it shall and may be lawful to and for any Person or Persons who shall see such Offence committed to apprehend, and also for any Person or Persons to assist in apprehending, the Offender or Offenders, and by the Authority of this Act, without any Warrant, to deliver him or them into the Custody of a Peace Officer, in order to be secured and conveyed before some Justice of the Peace for the said County; and on the Party or Parties

Penalty on Persons blowing Horns, &c. on Sundays and on other Days during Divine Service.

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accused being brought before such Justice, such Justice shall proceed to examine upon Oath any Witness or Witnesses who shall appear or be produced to give Evidence touching such Offence and if the Party or Parties accused shall be convicted of such Offence, either by his or their Confession, or upon such Evidence as aforesaid, then and in every such Case he or they shall for each and every such Offence respectively, and if more than One, shall severally forfeit or pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds; and in case such Offender or Offenders shall not upon Conviction forthwith pay such Penalty by him or them incurred, such Justice is hereby required to commit such Offender or Offenders to the Common Gaol or House of Correction within the said County, there to be kept to hard Labour for any Time not exceeding Thirty Days, and such Offender or Offenders shall not be discharged before the Expiration of the Time for which he or they shall be so committed, unless such Penalty shall be sooner paid.

Penalty on  
Persons af-  
faulting or  
interrupting  
Officers and  
Workmen.

LXXVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall at any Time or Times obstruct, hinder, or molest, any of the said Vestrymen, or any Treasurer, Clerk, Collector, Beadle, or other Officer or Officers, Workmen, Person or Persons, who shall be employed by virtue of this Act in the Performance or Execution of his, her, or their Duty, or of any of the Matters or Things to be done by virtue or in pursuance hereof, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay a Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

Recovery of  
Penalties.

LXXVII. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures by this Act incurred or imposed shall be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons offending, by a Warrant under the Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals of any Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex* (which Warrant such Justice and Justices is and are hereby authorized and required to issue), upon Confession of the Party or Parties, or upon the Evidence of any credible Witness or Witnesses upon Oath (which Oath such Justice and Justices is and are hereby required and empowered to administer); and the Overplus of the Money (if any) after such Penalties and Forfeitures and the Charges of such Distress and Sale (such Charges to be settled by the said Justice or Justices) are or shall be recovered and deducted, shall be returned on Demand to the Owner or Owners of such Goods and Chattels; and all such Penalties and Forfeitures, when so recovered or paid, shall from Time to Time be paid to the said Vestrymen, or to their respective Treasurer or Clerk, to be applied for the Purposes of this Act, as the said Vestrymen shall order and direct; and in case sufficient Distress cannot be found, or such Costs, Charges, Penalties, and Forfeitures, shall not be forthwith paid, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, to cause the Offender or Offenders to be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction for the said County, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for any Time not exceeding Two Calendar Months, unless such Costs, Charges, Penalties, and Forfeitures shall be sooner paid and satisfied.

Persons con-  
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LXXVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved or over-rated by any Rate or Assessment, or any other Matter or Thing to be made or done under



under or in pursuance of this Act, he, she, or they may appeal and complain thereof to the said Vestrymen, at one of their Meetings, provided that at least Ten of the said Vestrymen be present at such Meeting, and provided also that such Appeal be made within Three Calendar Months next after such Rate or other Cause of Complaint shall have been made or have arisen; and such Vestrymen may examine the Appellant or Appellants, or any Witnesses, touching or concerning the Matter of such Appeal, and relieve the Person or Persons appealing, or not, and make such Order therein as to them shall seem meet.

appeal to the Vestrymen;

LXXIX. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall find himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Rate or Assessment to be made under or in pursuance of this Act, or any Conviction of any Justice or Justices of the Peace under the Authority of this Act, it shall be lawful for such Person or Persons to appeal to any General Sessions, or General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held in and for the County where the Matter of Appeal shall arise, within Six Calendar Months next after making such Rate or Assessment, or such Conviction taking place, which Court of Sessions is hereby empowered to hear and finally determine the Matter of the said Appeal, and to make such Order therein as to them shall seem meet, which Order shall be final and conclusive to and upon all Parties; provided that the Person or Persons so appealing shall give or cause to be given Ten Days Notice in Writing at least of his or her Intention of appealing as aforesaid, and of the Matter or Cause thereof, to the Clerk for the Time being to the said Vestrymen, and within Two Days after such Notice shall enter into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace for the same County, with sufficient Securities, conditioned to try such Appeal, and to abide the Order of and pay such Costs as shall be awarded by the Justices at such General or Quarter Sessions, or any Adjournment thereof; and such Justices, upon hearing and finally determining the Matter of such Appeal, shall and may, according to their Discretion, award such Costs to the Party appealing or appealed against as they shall think proper; and their Determination in or concerning the Premises shall be conclusive and binding upon all Parties to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

and to the General or Quarter Session of the Peace.

LXXX. Provided also, and be it enacted, That on Appeal from the said Rates or Assessments, or any of them, to be made for the Purposes of this Act, the Justices at such General or Quarter Sessions shall and may amend the same in such Manner as may be necessary for giving Relief, without quashing or altering such Rates or Assessments with respect to other Persons mentioned in the same; but if upon Appeal from the whole Rate or Assessment it shall be found necessary to set aside the same, then and in such Case the said Justices shall and may order a new Rate or Assessment to be made in the Manner herein directed.

Justices may give Relief on Appeal against the Rates, without quashing the whole Assessment.

LXXXI. And whereas it would tend materially to facilitate the raising the Money wanted for the Purpose of purchasing Ground for the said new Church and Churchyard and Parsonage House, and for building and completing such new Church, Churchyard, and Parsonage respectively, if Powers were given to the said Vestrymen to treat and agree with any Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, or Companies, liable to be rated or assessed under this Act, for the Redemption of the Rates to which they

Persons may advance Money for building Church, &c. by the Redemption of Rates.

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may be subject for the said last-mentioned Purpose, such Rates to be fixed and assessed according to the last Rate or Assessment made for the Relief of the Poor of the said Hamlet or new Parish in the Year One thousand eight hundred and sixteen; be it therefore further enacted, That within Six Calendar Months from and after the passing of this Act, the said Vestrymen shall and they are hereby authorized to meet and proceed to make a Rate or Assessment upon all the Inhabitants of the said new Parish, and upon any other Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate or Companies possessing or occupying rateable Property therein, for the Purpose of raising a sufficient Sum of Money for the Purchase of Ground for the said new Church and Churchyard and Parsonage House, and for building and completing such new Church, Churchyard, and Parsonage respectively; and which Rate or Assessment shall be made upon the same Assessment or Valuation of Property as the last Rate or Assessment for the Relief of the Poor within the said Hamlet or new Parish in the Year One thousand eight hundred and sixteen was made upon; and from and after such Rate or Assessment shall have been made, and not appealed from for the Space of Six Calendar Months from the making thereof, as hereinafter is directed, or shall be confirmed or allowed upon Appeal, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen or any Five or more of them, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, until the Consecration of the said new Church, to contract and agree with any Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, or Companies, possessing or occupying any rateable Property within the said new Parish, for the Redemption or Purchase of the Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, to which any such Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, or Companies, shall or may be respectively subject or liable, for the said last-mentioned Purposes, at such a Proportion of the total Sum to be raised for the said last-mentioned Purposes, as the Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, so to be redeemed or purchased, shall bear to the Residue of the Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, imposed upon the said new Parish; and in every such Contract or Agreement the Time or Times of Payment of the Sum or Sums of Money which shall be so contracted or agreed to be paid for the Redemption or Purchase of any such Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, either in One entire Sum or by several successive Instalments, shall be fixed and specified; and from and after Payment of the Sum or Sums of Money so contracted or agreed to be paid for the Redemption or Purchase of any such Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments as aforesaid, the Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, or Companies so redeeming or purchasing such Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, who were previously assessed or liable to pay or contribute to such Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, and his, her, and their respective Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, and also the Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or other Property, in respect of or upon which such Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, so redeemed or purchased, shall have been assessed or imposed, shall from thenceforth for ever thereafter be freed, exonerated, and discharged of and from the Payment of the Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, so assessed or imposed, and of all other Rates or Assessments which shall or may hereafter be made or assessed, for the Purpose of raising a sufficient Sum of Money for the Purchase of Ground for the said new Church and Churchyard and Parsonage House, and for building and completing such new



new Church, Churchyard, and Parsonage respectively; any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

LXXXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Inhabitants, Occupiers, or Proprietors of rateable Property within the said new Parish, who shall or may be liable to pay or contribute to the general Rates or Assessments for the Objects or Purposes in the said next preceding Clause mentioned, and who shall not redeem or purchase their respective Proportions of such Rates or Assessments, shall continue subject and liable to pay the same, but not exceeding Twelve-pence in the Pound in any one Year upon the yearly Rental of their Property, until a Sum shall have been raised thereby bearing a due Proportion to the Sum which shall be raised by the Redemption or Sale of any such Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, as aforesaid; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Persons, &c. not redeeming their Rates, to remain liable thereto till a proportionate Sum is raised.

LXXXIII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That Notice of the Time of making the Rate or Assessment to be made under and by virtue of this Act, for the Purpose of raising a sufficient Sum of Money for the Purchase of Ground for the said new Church and Churchyard and Parsonage House, and for building and completing such new Church and Churchyard and Parsonage respectively, shall be affixed upon the Door of the Town Hall or Workhouse of the said new Parish upon the *Sunday* next preceding the Day appointed for making and signing the same; and the said Rate or Assessment, after being so made, shall lie for the Inspection of all the Inhabitants of the said new Parish, or other Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate or Companies, liable to pay or contribute to the same, at the Town Hall or Workhouse of the said new Parish, for the Space of Fourteen Days next after the making thereof as aforesaid; and that every Person or Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate and Companies, thereby rated or assessed, or who shall be liable to pay or contribute to the Rate or Assessment thereby imposed, or any Part thereof, shall be at Liberty, without Fee or Reward, to inspect such Rate or Assessment, and to take a Copy thereof at their own Expence; and that it shall and may be lawful for every such Person or Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate or Companies, who shall be dissatisfied with such Rate or Assessment, to appeal from the same to the next or any subsequent General Sessions or General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held within Six Calendar Months next after the making of the said Rate or Assessment for the County of *Middlesex*, giving Ten Days Notice of such Appeal to the Vestrymen by whom the said Rate or Assessment shall be made or signed, to be left for them at the said Town Hall or Workhouse, where the said Rate or Assessment shall lie for Inspection; and the Justices assembled at such General or Quarter Sessions, or the major Part of them, shall and they are hereby authorized and empowered to hear and determine such Appeal, and to amend such Rate or Assessment in such Manner as may be necessary for giving Relief, without quashing or altering such Rate or Assessment with respect to other Persons mentioned in the same; and the Order and Determination of such Justices, or the major Part of them, at the said General or Quarter Sessions, touching or relating to the said Rate, shall be binding and conclusive upon all Parties interested therein, and shall not be appealed from or questioned in or before any other Court or Tribunal whatsoever; and in case no Appeal shall be made from the said Rate or Assessment within

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the said Space of Six Calendar Months from the making the same as aforesaid, such Rate and Assessment shall from thenceforth be binding and conclusive upon all and every Person or Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate or Companies, therein or thereby rated or assessed, and shall not be appealed from or questioned in any Manner whatsoever; any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Power to Vestrymen to raise Money by Annuities for a Term of Years.

LXXXIV. And be it further enacted, That in case the said Vestrymen shall deem it advisable to raise all or any Part of the Money for the Purpose of purchasing the Ground for the said new Church and Churchyard and Parsonage House, and for building and completing the said new Church, Churchyard, and Parsonage respectively, by granting Annuities for Terms of Years, instead of Assignments and Annuities for Lives as aforesaid, then and in such Case it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Vestrymen, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, by Writing under the Hands and Seals of any Five or more of them, to grant an Annuity or Annuities to any Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate or Companies, who shall contribute, advance, and pay into the Hands of the Treasurer or Treasurers to be appointed under this Act any Sum or Sums of Money for the absolute Purchase of any Annuity or Annuities, to be payable during a certain Term not exceeding Fifteen Years, and not exceeding Ten Pounds *per Centum per Annum* upon the Sum or Sums of Money which shall be so contributed, advanced, or paid to the said Treasurer or Treasurers; and such Annuity or Annuities shall be paid by the said Vestrymen, by quarterly Payments, out of the Monies which shall be raised by Rates or Assessments upon the rateable Property within the said new Parish, and which shall not be purchased or redeemed under the Authority herein-before contained for that Purpose; and which Rates and Assessments shall continue to be enforced, collected, and received until the said Annuities hereby authorized to be granted shall be fully paid and satisfied, and shall expire; and the Grant of every such Annuity for a Term of Years shall be in the Words or to the Effect following:

Form of Grant of Annuity for Years.

WE, \_\_\_\_\_ of the Vestrymen acting in  
 pursuance of an Act made in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign  
 of King George the Third, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*],  
 in consideration of the Sum of \_\_\_\_\_ paid by  
 to the Treasurer appointed in pursuance of the said Act, do hereby grant  
 unto the said \_\_\_\_\_ an Annuity or yearly Sum of  
 \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid out of the Rates or Assessments to be  
 raised, levied, and collected by virtue of the said Act; which Annuity  
 or yearly Sum of \_\_\_\_\_ shall be paid by the said  
 \_\_\_\_\_ or his or her Executors, Administrators,  
 or Assigns, [*or Successors or Assigns, as the Case may be*], during the  
 Term of \_\_\_\_\_ Years, by Four equal quarterly Payments, upon  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Day of \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_  
 and the \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ in every Year during  
 the said Term of \_\_\_\_\_ Years, at the \_\_\_\_\_; the first  
 quarterly Payment thereof to be made upon the \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_  
 next ensuing the Date hereof. In Witness whereof  
 we the said Vestrymen have hereunto set our Hands and Seals, the  
 Day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the Year of our Lord One thousand  
 eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_



LXXXV. And for the more easy Conviction of Offenders against this Act, be it further enacted, That all and every Justice and Justices of the Peace before whom any Person or Persons shall be convicted of any Offence against this Act, shall and may cause the Conviction to be drawn in the Form following, or in any other Words to the same Effect :

Middlesex, } BE it remembered, That on the Day of  
 to wit. } Year of the Reign of Form of  
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 [as the Case may be] A. B. is [or are, as the Case may  
 require] convicted before me [or us, as the Case may be] One [or Two]  
 of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace acting in and for the said County  
 of Middlesex, by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of  
 the Reign of King George the Third, intituled [here set forth the Title of  
 this Act] of [here specify the Offence, Time and Place when and where  
 committed, as the Case shall be], contrary to the said Act, for which  
 Offence I [or we, as the Case shall be], adjudge the said A. B. to have  
 forfeited the Sum of Given under my Hand and  
 Seal [or our Hands and Seals, as the Case may be], the Day and Year  
 first above written.

LXXXVI. And be it further enacted, That no Inhabitant of the said Parish of *All Saints Poplar* shall be deemed an incompetent Witness in any Suit, Action, Information, Complaint, Appeal, Prosecution, or Proceeding to be had, made, prosecuted, or carried on under the Authority of this Act, by reason of such Person being such Inhabitant, or rated or assessed, or liable to be rated or assessed, under and by virtue of this Act.

Rated Inhabitants may be Witnesses.

LXXXVII. And be it further enacted, That when any Distress shall be made for any Money to be raised by virtue of this Act, the Distress itself shall not be deemed unlawful, nor the Party or Parties making the same be deemed a Trespasser or Trespassers on account of any Defect or Want of Form in the Proceedings relating thereto, nor shall the Party or Parties distraining be deemed a Trespasser or Trespassers *ab initio* on account of any Irregularity which shall afterwards be done by the Party or Parties distraining, but the Person or Persons aggrieved by such Irregularity may recover full Satisfaction for the special Damage in an Action on the Case: Provided that no Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall recover in any Action or Actions for any such Irregularity, Trespass, or other Proceedings, if Tender of sufficient Amends shall be made by or on the Behalf of the Party or Parties who shall have committed any such Irregularity, Trespass, or other wrongful Proceedings, before such Action brought; and in case no such Tender shall have been made, it shall be lawful for the Defendant or Defendants in any such Action, by Leave of the Court where such Action shall depend, at any Time before Issue joined, to pay into Court such Sum of Money as he or they shall think fit, whereupon such Proceedings, Order, and Adjudication shall be made, had, and given in and by such Court, as in other Actions where the Defendant is allowed to pay Money into Court; and that no Proceedings to be had touching the Conviction of any Offender or Offenders against this Act, or any Order made, or any other Matter or Thing done or transacted in or relative to the Execution of this Act, shall be vacated or quashed for want of Form, or be removed or removable by *Certiorari*, or any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*.

Distress not to be deemed unlawful for want of Form.

LXXXVIII. And



Limitation  
of Actions.

**LXXXVIII.** And be it further enacted, That no Action or Suit shall be commenced against any Person or Persons or any thing done in pursuance of or under the Authority or Colour of this Act, until Twenty-one Days Notice shall have been given thereof in Writing to the Clerk to the said Vestrymen, nor after sufficient Satisfaction or Tender thereof has been made to the Party or Parties aggrieved, nor after Six Calendar Months next after the Fact committed, for which such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall be so brought; and every such Action shall be brought, laid, and tried in the County or Place where the Cause of Action shall have arisen, and not in any other County or Place; and the Defendant or Defendants in such Action or Suits may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and every special Matter in Evidence at any Trial or Trials which shall be had thereupon; and if the Matter or Thing shall appear to have been done under or by virtue of this Act, or if it shall appear that such Action or Suit was brought before Twenty-one Days Notice thereof given as aforesaid, or that sufficient Satisfaction was made and tendered as aforesaid, or if any such Action or Suit shall not be commenced within the Time before limited, or shall be laid in any other County or Place than as aforesaid, then the Jury or Juries shall find a Verdict or Verdicts for the Defendant or Defendants therein; and if a Verdict or Verdicts shall be found for such Defendant or Defendants, or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs in such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall become nonsuit, or suffer a Discontinuance of such Action or Actions, or if upon any Demurrer or Demurrers in such Action or Actions Judgment shall be given for the Defendant or Defendants therein, then and in any of the Cases aforesaid such Defendant or Defendants shall have Double Costs, and shall have such Remedy for recovering the same as any Defendant or Defendants may have for his, her, or their Costs in any other Case by Law.

Public Act.

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

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