

ANNO QUARTO

GULIELMI IV. REGIS.

Cap. xxxix.

An Act to alter and amend an Act of the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act for more effectually repairing several Roads leading through the County of Selkirk, and for better making and repairing the said Roads, and other Roads in the said County, and in the Vicinity thereof. [16th June 1834.]

HEREAS an Act was passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for more effectually repairing several Roads 9G. 4.c. 109. leading through the County of Selkirk, and for better making and repairing the said Roads, and other Roads in the said County, and in the Vicinity thereof: And whereas the Trustees in and by the said recited Act appointed have proceeded to put the same into execution; but it has been found expedient that the Powers and Provisions thereof should in some respects be altered and enlarged: [Local.]And

And whereas it will be for the Benefit of the Public that the Assessments in and by the said recited Act directed to be levied and applied to the Payment of certain Debts due upon the said Roads in manner mentioned in the said recited Act should be continued after the Payment of such Debts, and the Proceeds thereof applied towards the Liquidation and Payment of the other Debts since contracted by the Trustees acting under the said recited Act, in making the Roads therein mentioned, and to the other Purposes of the said recited Act; but as these Purposes cannot be effected without the Aid and Authority of Parliament, May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all the Powers, Authorities, Provisoes, Regulations, Directions, Privileges, Penalties, Forfeitures, Claims, Matters, and Things whatsoever in the said recited Act contained, except in so far as the same are altered, varied, repealed, or amended by this present Act, shall extend and be construed to extend to and operate and be in force for carrying this Act into effect, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the same and every Part thereof were repeated and re-enacted in this Act, and were made Part thereof; and the said recited Act and this Act shall, as to all Matters and Things, except as aforesaid, be construed as one Act.

Recited Act to be construed with this Act.

New Trustees appointed instead of the former Trustees.

II. And be it further enacted, That the Appointment in the said recited Act contained of Trustees for carrying the Purposes thereof into effect shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and that, in lieu and place thereof, every Person who is at present, or shall be at any Time during the Continuance of this Act, in his own Right or in Right of his Wife, in the actual Possession or Enjoyment, as Proprietor or Liferenter, of the Dominium utile of Lands lying in the said County of Selkirk valued in the Cess Books of the said County at Two hundred Pounds Scots per Annum or upwards; and the eldest Son, being the Heir Apparent, of every Person qualified as aforesaid; the Factor or Chamberlain of every Person who is at present, or shall be at any Time during the Continuance of this Act, in his own Right or in Right of his Wife, in the actual Possession or Enjoyment, as Proprietor or Liferenter, of the Dominium utile of Lands lying in the said County of Selkirk valued in the Cess Books of the said County at Ten thousand Pounds Scots per Annum or upwards, in the Absence of his Constituent; the Factor or Chamberlain of every Proprietrix or Liferentrix in the actual Possession and Enjoyment of the Dominium utile of Lands lying in the said County of the Valuation of Ten thousand Pounds Scots per Annum or upwards, as aforesaid; One Guardian of each Minor, fatuous or furious Person, holding Lands in the said County of the Valuation of One thousand Pounds Scots per Annum or upwards; One Trustee of every Estate held in Trust in the said County of the Valuation of One thousand Pounds Scots per Annum or upwards, as aforesaid; and the chief Magistrate or eldest Baillie of the said Burgh of Selkirk for the Time being,

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being, shall be and they are hereby appointed Trustees for ordering, superintending, surveying, making, improving, altering, repairing, and maintaining the Roads and Bridges in the said recited Act and this Act mentioned, and for putting into execution all and every the Powers and Authorities in and by the said recited Act and this Act given and granted.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That no Person shall be Qualification entitled to act as a Trustee, as a Factor or Chamberlain, for the Pur- of Factors poses of the said recited Act or this Act, unless such Person shall or Chamberlains. be infeft for his own Use and in Possession of a Real Estate of the yearly Value of One hundred Pounds Sterling or upwards, or shall be possessed of a Personal Estate to the Amount of Two thousand Pounds Sterling or upwards.

IV. And whereas in carrying the Purposes of the said recited Act Power of into execution a further Debt has been contracted by the Trustees assessing acting under the same to the Amount of Seven thousand eight the County hundred and fifty Pounds, or thereabout, exclusive of the Debt till the Debt herein-after mentioned incurred in the Erection of the Bridges over of 7,850l. be the Rivers Tweed and Ettrick, as authorized by the said recited paid. Act; and it is expedient that the Power of assessing the County contained in the said recited Act, till certain Debts therein mentioned were paid, should be continued till the said Sum of Seven thousand eight hundred and fifty Pounds be paid and satisfied; be it therefore enacted, That the Powers of assessing the County, and all the Powers, Provisions, Authorities, Matters, and Things in relation to the same, contained in the said recited Act, shall be and the same are hereby continued and prolonged, after the Debts for which the Assessment under the said recited Act was authorized to be levied shall have been paid and satisfied, until the foresaid Sum of Seven thousand eight hundred and fifty Pounds shall be paid and satisfied by means of such Assessment, or of the other Funds provided by the said recited Act and this Act: Provided always, that no Assessment to be made by the Commissioners of Supply of the said County shall in any One Year exceed the Sum of Ten Shillings Sterling on each One hundred Pounds Scots of valued Rent, and so in proportion on a greater or lesser Sum.

V. And be it further enacted, That the additional Sums so to Application be assessed and levied as aforesaid shall be applied towards the of the furgradual Liquidation and Payment of the aforesaid Sum of Seven ther Assessthousand eight hundred and fifty Pounds, and it shall not be lawful to make any Assessment beyond what may be necessary for the Purpose of paying off the said Sum as aforesaid, together with the necessary Expences to be incurred in the assessing and levying the said Assessment, and paying off the said Debt.

VI. And whereas there has been incurred, in the Erection of the aforesaid Bridges over the Rivers Tweed and Ettrick, in forming the Approaches to the same, and in building the Toll or Pontage

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House at the said Bridge over the said River Tweed, an Expence of Two thousand five hundred and eight Pounds Three Shillings and One Penny, namely, the Sum of One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five Pounds by the Subscriptions of Individuals in Shares at the Rate of One hundred Pounds, and the Sum of Five hundred and eighty-three Pounds Three Shillings and One Penny by the said Trustees from the general Funds of the Trust; be it enacted and declared, That the Persons in Right of such Subscriptions or Shares as aforesaid, and their Heirs, Representatives, and Assignees, and the said Trustees for the foresaid Sum of Five hundred and eighty-three Pounds Three Shillings and One Penny advanced by them from the general Funds of the Trust as aforesaid, for their several Rights and Interests, are and shall be Creditors upon the said Bridges, and upon the Rates and Pontage Duties to be levied thereat.

Regulations as to Tolls collected on a certain Part of the Road.

VII. And whereas by the said recited Act the Trustees were authorized to have and maintain Three Turnpike Gates on either of the Lines of Road between the Place called Haremoss on the Confines of the County of Roxburgh on the South, and the Extremity of the great Road from Edinburgh to Carlisle on the Confines of the said County of Selkirk on the North, and to levy Toll thereat, notwithstanding that such Turnpike Gates might be at less Distances from each other than Five Miles, and that in addition to the Toll leviable at the Gate or Gates to be erected at the Bridge or Bridges over the Rivers Tweed and Ettrick, and without giving Tickets; but the said Trustees having found it more expedient not to erect more than Two Turnpike Gates upon the Line of Road from Haremoss to the Bridge over the River Gala near the Village of Galashiels, and to levy at each of them the same Rate as is levied at the Gates erected at the said Bridges; be it therefore enacted, That until the whole Sums advanced and expended in the Erection of the said Bridges, with the Interest thereon, as herein-after mentioned, shall have been repaid, the said Trustees shall not be entitled to maintain more than Two Turnpike Gates on the said last-mentioned Line of Road; and until such Sums and Interest shall be repaid the said Trustees shall levy at the Gates at the said Bridges the same Rates of Toll as at such Turnpike Gates; and the Revenue arising from such Pontage Bars shall be applied, in the first place, for the Payment of the Interest, at the Rate of Two and a Half per Centum per Annum, to which the Shareholders of the Bridges and the Trustees are entitled upon the Sums so expended upon the Bridges, commencing from the Term of Whitsunday One thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, when the said Bridges were opened; in the second place, for raising a Sinking Fund of One hundred Pounds Sterling per Annum, for the Liquidation of the Capital of the said Sums so expended on the said Bridges, until the same is fully liquidated; and, in the third place, until such Capital shall be so liquidated, the Balance of the said Pontage or Toll Duties at the said Bridges, if any, shall be applied towards the general Purposes of the Trust; but so soon as the whole of the said Sums advanced

advanced and expended in the Erection of the said Bridges, with the Interest thereon as aforesaid, shall have been fully repaid, the Pontage Duty at the said Bridges shall cease and be no longer leviable; and so soon as such Pontage Duties shall cease to be levied the said Trustees shall be again entitled to have and maintain Three Turnpike Gates on the said Line of Road from Haremoss to the Bridge over the River Gala near the Village of Galashiels.

VIII. And whereas in making the Road described in the said re- Road from cited Act, from the Centre of the Bridge over the River Gala in the Gala Bridge County of Roxburgh to the Confines of the said County of Selkirk, to Selkirk declared to into the Village of Galashiels, through the said Village, and by or be Turnpike. near the Farm Steadings of Netherbarns and Boldside to and along the aforesaid Bridges over the said Rivers Tweed and Ettrick above the Junction of the said Rivers, and from thence through Part of the County of Roxburgh to the Confines of the said County of Selkirk at or near a Place called Bridgelands, and from thence to the Town of Selkirk, the Trustees in the before-mentioned Act for the Purpose of rendering the said Road more commodious and useful to the Public found it expedient, in virtue of the Powers conferred on them by an Act of the First and Second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for amending and making more effectual the Laws concern- 1 & 2 W. 4. ing Turnpike Roads in Scotland, to deviate from the Line before c. 43. mentioned, and also to make a Branch Road from the same at the Place called the *Heughs*, by the Foot of the said *Heughs*, and by Selkirk Mills, to the old Turnpike Road from the Town of Selkirk to Edinburgh; be it therefore enacted, That the said Road before described from the Bridge over the said River Ettrick through the Lands of Bridgeheugh to the Town of Selkirk, and the said Branch Road, also before described, shall be and the same are hereby declared to be Turnpike Roads; and the Trustees acting under the said recited Act and this Act shall have the same Powers and Authorities in regard to the said Road and Branch from the same as they would have had if the aforesaid Road and Branch had been especially described and contained in the said recited Act.

IX. And be it enacted, That the Expences of procuring, passing, Expences of and obtaining this Act shall be paid out of the first and readiest of this Act how the Monies collected, borrowed, or recovered by the said Trustees to be paid. by virtue thereof.

X. And be it further enacted, That the Term granted by the said Commencerecited Act shall be and the same is hereby repealed, and that this ment and Act shall take effect from and after the passing thereof, and of the Act. shall, with the said recited Act, be carried into execution during the Term of Thirty-one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

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XI. 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.

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