CAP. XLVII.

An Act to provide for the Purchase and Extinguishment of all Rights of Common and Lammas and other Commonable Rights over the Site of *Battersea Park* in the County of *Surrey*. [4th *August* 1853.]

'WHEREAS under and by virtue of the Enactments, Powers, and Provisions contained in the Act of the Ninth and Tenth Years of Her present Majesty, Chapter Thirty-eight, and the Act of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of Her present Majesty, Chapter Seventy-seven, the *Battersea Park* Commissioners were authorized and empowered to purchase and hold divers Lands and Hereditaments specified in a Schedule annexed to the first-mentioned Act, situate in *Battersea Fields* in the Parish of *Saint Mary Battersea* in the County of *Surrey*, for the Purpose of forming a public Park there, to be called *Battersea Park*, and for other Purposes: And whereas, in pursuance of the Provisions of the said Acts or One of them, certain of the aforesaid Lands and Hereditaments have been purchased and are now vested in the said *Battersea Park* Commissioners for the Purposes aforesaid, and the said Commissioners purpose from Time to Time hereafter to purchase such further Portions of the aforesaid Lands and Hereditaments as they may consider requisite for the Purposes aforesaid: And whereas by the first-mentioned Act it was amongst other things enacted, that in all Cases where there should be Occasion to cut through, take, or use for the Purposes aforesaid any Part or Parts of any Commons or Waste Grounds or other Lands or Hereditaments which should be charged with or subject to any Right or Rights of Common, whether of Pasture, Turbary, Estover, or Piscary, or other Easements whatsoever, appendant, appurtenant, or in gross, or whether created or subsisting by Grant, Prescription, Custom, or otherwise howsoever, the Conveyance thereof by any Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or other Person or Persons, having such and the like Estate and Interest of and in the Manor wherein such Lands, Commons, Waste Grounds, or Hereditaments should be situate or (if the same should not be the Waste of any Manor) then having such and the like Estate and Interest of and in the Soil of such Lands, Commons, Wastes, and Hereditaments, as the Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or Persons, who by virtue of the said Act were enabled to sell and convey other Lands and Hereditaments, should be a good and sufficient Conveyance of the Fee Simple and Inheritance of such Waste Grounds or Common or other Lands or Hereditaments for the Purposes aforesaid, as fully and effectually as if every Person having such Right or Rights of Common upon such Common or Waste Ground, Lands, or Hereditaments were seised thereof in Fee Simple in possession, and had joined in and executed such Conveyance, and that the Compensation to be paid for any Right of Common upon any such Common or Waste Ground, Lands, or Hereditaments to be settled in the Manner by the said first-mentioned Act directed should be paid to the Churchwardens of the Parish or respective Parishes in which such Common or Waste Lands should lie, and should be by such Churchwardens applied for such general and public Purposes within such Parishes respectively as a Vestry of such respective Parishes to be convened by such Churchwardens for that Purpose should direct: And whereas the Inhabitants of the said Parish of *Saint Mary Battersea*, at a Vestry Meeting held on the Eighth Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, unanimously resolved that the Churchwardens should be authorized, on the Part of the Parishioners, in respect of their Common Rights, either as Freeholders, Copyholders, or Tenants, or Parishioners, of all the said Lands named in the Schedule to the first-mentioned Act, to accept the Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds by way of Compensation for the Extinguishment of such and all other Rights over all such said Lands: And whereas it was intended by the said Parishioners that the said Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds should include the Purchase or Compensation Money to be paid in respect of all Lammas Rights and other Commonable Rights existing or alleged to exist in, over, or upon all the Lands mentioned in the said Resolution, although not Common or Waste Lands; but it is doubtful whether the Terms of the aforesaid Provisions of the first-mentioned Act include such last-mentioned Lammas and other Commonable Rights: And whereas Doubts are also entertained as to how the Monies to be

9 & 10 Vict. c. 38. 14 & 15 Vict. c. 77.

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'paid as the Price or Compensation for such Rights of Common and Commonable Rights 'as aforesaid ought to be paid and applied under the Provisions of the said first-recited Act: 'And whereas it is just and necessary, for the Purpose of effecting the Purposes of the said 'Acts, that on Payment of the Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds by the said '*Battersea Park* Commissioners all Rights of Common and Commonable Rights whatsoever 'in, over, or upon all the Lands comprised in the said Schedule to the first-mentioned Act, and 'which have been purchased as aforesaid, or which shall hereafter be purchased, should be 'absolutely extinguished; but it is apprehended that the same cannot be completely effected 'without the Authority of Parliament:' May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen'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, as follows:

Battersea Park Commissioners to pay 1,500*l.* to Churchwardens of St. Mary Battersea, to be applied as a Vestry to be convened for that Purpose shall direct, and thereupon all Rights of Common to cease.

I. It shall be lawful for the said *Battersea Park* Commissioners, out of any Monies coming to their Hands applicable to the Purposes of the said Acts, to pay to the Churchwardens for the Time being of the said Parish of *Saint Mary Battersea* the Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds, to be by such Churchwardens or their Successors applied for such general and public Purposes within the said Parish as a Vestry of the same Parish, to be convened by such Churchwardens for that Purpose, shall direct; and immediately on such Payment all Rights of Common whatsoever, and all Lammas Rights and other Commonable Rights whatsoever existing or claimed by any Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or any Person or Persons whatsoever, in, upon, or over all or any Part or Parts of the said Lands and Hereditaments specified in the Schedule to the said first-mentioned Act, and already purchased by the said Commissioners, shall absolutely cease and be extinguished; and as regards any other of the said Hereditaments which shall hereafter be purchased, then from the Date of such Purchase such Rights shall also cease and be extinguished, and whether the same be Common or Waste Lands or not.

Receipt of the Churchwardens to be a sufficient Discharge for the 1,500*l.*

II. The Receipt or Receipts in Writing of the Churchwardens for the Time being of the said Parish of *Saint Mary Battersea* shall be a full and sufficient Discharge to the said *Battersea Park* Commissioners for the said Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds or any Part thereof, and they shall not be in anywise bound to see to the Application thereof.

Short Title.

III. It shall be sufficient for all Purposes to cite this Act as "The *Battersea Park* Act, 1853."

CAP. XLVIII.

An Act for the Punishment of Offences in the Colonies in relation to the Coin. [4th *August* 1853.]

2 & 3 W. 4. c. 34.

'WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Second Year of King *William* the Fourth, "for consolidating and amending the Laws against Offences relating to the Coin," 'and such Act has been amended by an Act passed in the First Year of Her Majesty, "to 'amend the Law relative to Offences punishable by Transportation for Life:" And whereas 'it is expedient to extend the Provisions of the said first-mentioned Act (as so amended) to 'Her Majesty's Colonies and Possessions abroad in which Provision may not have been 'already made for the like Purpose:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen'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, as follows:

7 W. 4. & 1 Vict. c. 90.

2 & 3 W. 4. c. 34. amended by 7 W. 4. & 1 Vict. c. 90., extended.

I. The Provisions of the said first-mentioned Act, as amended as aforesaid, shall, except as herein-after otherwise provided, extend to and be in force in all Her Majesty's Colonies and Possessions abroad.

Punishment for importing counterfeit Coin into the Colonies.

II. If any Person shall import into any of Her Majesty's Colonies or Possessions abroad any false or counterfeit Coin resembling or apparently intended to resemble or pass for any