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An Act for the further Improvement of the Port and Harbour of *Belfast* in *Ireland*, and for other Purposes. [23d *August* 1831.]

25 G. 3. c. 64. (I.)

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, entitled *An Act to amend an Act, entitled 'An Act for cleansing the Ports, Harbours, and Rivers of the City of* Cork, *and of the Towns of* Galway, Sligo, Drogheda, *and* Belfast, *and for erecting a Ballast Office in the said City and each of the said Towns,'* whereby certain Persons were appointed one Body Corporate and Politic, for carrying into execution the Purposes of the said Act, and as such to have perpetual Succession, and be capable of suing and being sued, and to be called and known, by the Name of "The Corporation for preserving and improving the Port and Harbour of *Belfast*," and to have a Common Seal: And whereas since the passing of the said Act the Trade of the said Port of *Belfast* hath greatly increased, and it is expedient, for the Encouragement and Extension of Commerce, that the Accommodation of the said Port should be improved by the Construction of additional Docks, with proper Channels, Cuts, Sluices, Locks, Inlets, and Outlets for the Reception and Discharge of Ships laden with Merchandize; that additional Wharfs, Bridges, Quays, Warehouses, and other Places of secure Deposit should be erected and built in and convenient to the said Town of *Belfast*; and also that certain Streets in the said Town should be opened and widened for the improving the Avenues and Approaches to the said intended Quays and Wharfs; and that further and other Powers should be given to the said Corporation, and the Constitution thereof

in some respects altered, for more effectually carrying the Purposes of the said Act into execution, and also for the better regulating the said Port, Harbour, and River of *Belfast;* but the Works and Objects aforesaid cannot be effectuated 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 Consent and Advice of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said recited Act, and all and every the Provisions, Powers, Penalties, Matters, and Things therein contained, shall be and the same are hereby repealed, except so far as the said recited Act repeals any other Act or Acts: Provided nevertheless, that every Purchase, Conveyance, Act, Matter, Proceeding, and Thing already done, made, executed, commenced, or instituted by virtue or in pursuance of the said Act shall be and the same is hereby declared to be as good, valid, and effectual to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever as if the said Act had not been hereby repealed.

Recited Act repealed.

Matters already done under the said Act to be good.

Duties hereby imposed liable to former Debts.

II. And be it further enacted, That the Duties by this Act imposed shall be and the same are hereby made subject and liable to the Payment of all Monies heretofore borrowed and which are due and owing on the Credit or on Account of any Duties imposed by the said recited Act, and of all Interest due and to grow due on the same respectively, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if such Monies had been borrowed and become due on the Credit of this Act or of the Duties hereby imposed; and all Indentures, Conveyances, Grants, Bonds, Covenants, Agreements, Engagements, Contracts, Leases, Mortgages, and Securities, made or entered into under the Authority of the said recited Act, shall notwithstanding the Repeal of the said recited Act remain in full Force and Effect, and be and continue available in all Courts of Law and Equity for and be binding on the Body Corporate created by this Act for preserving and improving the Port and Harbour of *Belfast*, and on the other Parties thereto respectively, in the same Manner as if the same had been made or entered into under the Authority of this Act.

Property in other Persons Hands vested in the Corporation.

III. And be it further enacted, That if it shall appear that any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Sum or Sums of Money, Goods, Chattels, Effects, Estates, or Property, of what Nature or Kind soever, were immediately before the passing of this Act vested in the former Corporation, or in any other Person or Persons whatsoever, by virtue of the said recited Act or otherwise, for the Uses and Purposes in the said Act mentioned and contained, or any of them, the same shall be and are hereby from henceforth vested in the Corporation by this Act created, to and for the several Uses, Intents, and Purposes directed by this Act; and the same, and all and every the Books of Account, Minutes, Vouchers, Securities, Papers, Evidences, and Writings whatsoever (if any such there be) relating to the same, shall be immediately after the passing of this Act delivered to the proper Officers of the said last-mentioned Corporation, by such Person or Persons as shall have the Custody thereof.

Officers under former Acts to account under this Act.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all Persons who are or have been employed, or who shall have received any Duties or other Money, or who may owe or be subject to the Payment of any Money, by virtue of the said recited Act, or who shall have in their Custody or Possession any Boats, Craft, Machinery, Tools, Money, Books, Accounts, Receipts, Papers, Writings, or other Matters or Things relating to the said Harbour or the Ballast Office thereof, or connected therewith, shall be and remain liable to account for, pay, and deliver over the same and every Part thereof to the Corporation created by this Act, or to any Person whom they may appoint, in the same Manner as if they had been employed, or had received such Money, or were subject to the Payment of such Money, or had such Things in their Custody or Possession, by virtue of this Act.

Officers under former Acts (except the Treasurer) to continue.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Ballast Master, and each and every Clerk, Collector, or Surveyor, Harbour Master, or other Officer (except the Treasurer) who shall have been appointed under and employed in the Execution of the said recited Act hereby repealed, shall respectively continue to hold and exercise their respective Offices and Employments until they shall respectively die, resign, or be displaced or removed by the Corporation by this Act created, or become incapable of executing their said respective Offices, and shall have the like Powers and Authorities for carrying this Act into execution, and shall be subject to the like Rules and Regulations, Pains and Penalties, in all respects, as if they had been severally appointed by virtue of this Act.

Debts, &c. due to and from Corporation before the passing of this Act, may be recovered.

VI. And be it further enacted, That all Debts, Rates, Damages, and other Monies which at the Time of the passing of this Act shall have been owing to, from, or by the said Corporation created by the said Act of the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third shall be deemed and taken to be owing to, from, or by the Corporation by this Act created, and shall and may be sued for, recovered, and received in the same Manner as if the same had been incurred or accrued after the passing of this Act by the Corporation by this Act created.

This Act not to abate Actions, &c. already brought.

VII. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall abate, discontinue, prejudice, or affect any Action, Suit, or other Proceeding whatsoever brought, commenced, or instituted by or against the said Corporation under or by virtue of the said Act, but that such Action, Suit, or other Proceeding shall and may be carried on and proceeded by or against the Corporation by this Act created, in such or the like Manner, and with such or the like Effect, as the same could or might have been continued or carried on if the said recited Act had not been repealed, or as if the same had been commenced after the passing of this Act by or against the Corporation hereby created.

Persons to whom Penalties have accrued under former Acts to be entitled

VIII. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures whatsoever (if any) which, under or by virtue of the said recited Act have accrued to any Person or Persons whomsoever, and which, at the Time of the passing of this Act shall remain unpaid and unsatisfied, or

to recover the same.

or which any Person or Persons could or might have recovered or received under or by virtue of the said Act, shall and may be sued for and recovered and received in such and the like Manner as the same Penalties or Forfeitures could or might have been sued for, recovered, received, and obtained under or by virtue of the said recited Act, in case the said recited Act had not been repealed.

The Corporation appointed for carrying into execution the Purposes of this Act.

IX. And be it further enacted, That the Lord of the Castle of *Belfast* for the Time being, the Right Honourable Sir *John Newport* Baronet, the Right Honourable *George Robert Dawson*, the Right Honourable *George Hamilton Chichester* commonly called the Earl of *Belfast*, the Member or Members of Parliament for the said Town of *Belfast* for the Time being, the Members of Parliament for the Counties of *Antrim* and *Down* for the Time being, the Members of Parliament for the Boroughs of *Carrickfergus* and *Downpatrick* for the Time being, the Sovereign of the Town of *Belfast* for the Time being, the Honourable and Reverend *Edward Chichester*, commonly called Lord *Edward Chichester*, *Narcissus Batt*, *William Tennent*, *George Langtry*, *Robert Greenlaw*, *Alexander M'Donnell*, *Thomas Batt*, *Robert M'Dowell*, *Francis M'Cracken*, *William Berrie*, *Robert Grimshaw*, *William Boyd*, *James Steen*, and their Successors, shall be and they are hereby appointed One Body Corporate and Politic for carrying into execution the Purposes of this Act, and as such shall have perpetual Succession, and shall sue and be sued, and shall be called and known, by the Name of "The Corporation for preserving and improving the Port and Harbour of *Belfast*," and by that Name shall and may hold Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and shall and may have a Common Seal.

Electors.

X. And be it further enacted, That at all Meetings for the Election of new Members of the said Corporation, or for the Supply of Vacancies, howsoever happening, all the surviving or remaining Members of the said Corporation, and also all Persons resident in the said Town of *Belfast* and within Seven Miles from the *Commercial Buildings* in the said Town, who shall be and have been the Owners for Six Months previous to such Meeting of Fifty Tons registered Shipping engaged in the Coasting, Channel, or Foreign Trade, and all Persons resident as aforesaid who shall have been assessed for Twelve Months previous to such Meeting, and who shall have paid to the Commissioners of Police of the said Town of *Belfast*, Police Tax to the Amount of Four Pounds *per Annum*, shall be admitted and entitled to vote.

When Members of a Copartnership shall vote singly, and when have but One Vote.

XI. And be it further enacted, That in Cases where Two or more Persons shall be jointly assessed to the said Police Tax as Members of a Copartnership, each and every of such Persons whose Share of such Assessment shall in respect of his Interest in such Copartnership amount to the said Sum of Four Pounds shall be entitled, if otherwise duly qualified, to vote at Elections for the Members of the said Corporation; and if the whole Joint Assessment on any Copartnership shall amount to the said Sum of Four Pounds, and that the Share of no One Member of such Copartnership shall amount to the said Sum of Four Pounds, but not otherwise, the Members

Members of such Copartnership shall have One Vote, to be given for and in behalf of them all by the Prior in such Copartnership.

Election of Members of Corporation.

XII. And be it further enacted, That the said Right Honourable Sir *John Newport* Baronet, the Right Honourable *George Robert Dawson*, *Narcissus Batt*, and *William Tennent*, shall go out of Office and cease to be Members of the said Corporation on the first *Wednesday* in the Month of *August* which will be in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-two; and that Four Persons resident as hereinafter mentioned shall be elected in their Stead to be Members of the said Corporation, at a Meeting to be called by public Advertisement in manner hereinafter provided, by the Persons qualified to vote at Meetings of the said Corporations for the Election of Members under the Provisions hereinbefore made in that Behalf; and such Persons so elected shall continue in Office until by the Rotation hereinafter established the Time of Office of such Persons shall have been completed, and until others shall be elected in their Stead, except in the Case of Death, Resignation, or Disqualification; and on the first *Wednesday* in the Month of *August* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-three the Four Members of the said Corporation enumerated next after the said *William Tennent* shall in like Manner go out of Office, and their Places shall be in like Manner supplied by Four Persons, and so on in Rotation for ever, Four Senior Members of the said Corporation going out of Office on the first *Wednesday* in the Month of *August* in each succeeding Year, and others being elected in their Stead, and the Members so elected continuing in Office until by Rotation their appointed Term of Office shall have expired, and others shall be elected in their Stead, and so on for ever: Provided always, that the Person or Persons going out of Office, or ceasing to be Members of the said Corporation as aforesaid, shall, if otherwise duly qualified, be at all Times eligible to be re-elected, and that the Lord of the Castle of *Belfast* for the Time being, if of full Age, shall always be the President of the said Corporation.

Lords Belfast and Chichester to be Members for Life.

XIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein-before contained shall extend to the Earl of *Belfast* or Lord *Edward Chichester*, who shall continue Members of the said Corporation for and during their respective Lives.

Election of Members on Vacancies.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That in case any Member of the said Corporation shall happen to die, or resign, or refuse or decline to act, or cease to reside in the said Town of *Belfast* or within Seven Miles from the *Commercial Buildings* in the said Town, or shall cease to be a Member of the said Corporation from any other Cause, the remaining Members of the said Corporation, or any Three or more of them, shall, by public Advertisement in such public Newspaper or Newspapers in the said Town of *Belfast* as they shall appoint, convene a Meeting, of which Thirty-one Days previous Notice shall be given, of the Members of the said Corporation, and also of all Persons qualified to vote as aforesaid, at which Meeting the said remaining Members of the said Corporation, and such other Persons, qualified as

as aforesaid, as shall be present thereat, shall proceed to the Election by Ballot of and shall nominate and appoint a fit and able Person, resident as aforesaid, to be a Member of the said Corporation in the Room or Stead of the Member so dying, resigning, refusing or declining to act, or ceasing to reside, or be a Member of the said Corporation as aforesaid: Provided that no Ballot shall be taken for any Candidate whose Name shall not have been given in as such Candidate, by himself or a Person entitled to vote, to the Ballast Master at the Ballast Office in the said Town Forty-eight Hours at least, exclusive of *Sunday*, *Good Friday*, and *Christmas Day*, previous to the Time of such Election, and who shall not, immediately before the Time of such Election, be proposed and seconded by Electors duly qualified; and every Person so nominated and appointed shall go out of Office by Rotation as aforesaid.

Mode of supplying Vacancies, if Corporation neglect to call a Meeting.

XV. And be it enacted, That in case the remaining Members of the said Corporation shall neglect or omit to convene such Meeting as aforesaid, for the Space of Twenty-one Days next after any Vacancy or Vacancies shall happen in the said Corporation, by Death, Resignation, Refusal, or Disqualification as aforesaid, or next after the Completion of the Period for which any Member of the said Corporation shall have been elected as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful to and for any Twenty-one Persons qualified to vote as aforesaid, by such public Advertisement as herein mentioned, to convene such Meeting of the Members of the said Corporation, and of all Persons qualified to vote as aforesaid; and it shall and may be lawful to and for the Persons present at such Meeting to proceed to and make such Election as aforesaid, which Election shall be as valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes as if the said Meeting had been convened by the said Corporation, or any Three or more of the Members thereof, as aforesaid.

Persons elected to be approved of by the Lord Lieutenant.

XVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Person to be elected as aforesaid shall have Power to act as a Member of the said Corporation, unless a Return in Writing, containing the Name and Addition of the Person who shall be so elected, shall be laid before the Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governor or Governors and Privy Council of *Ireland* for the Time being, by leaving the same at the Office of the Clerk of the Privy Council at least Thirty-one Days before such Person shall in any Manner act as a Member of the said Corporation; and that if the said Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governor or Governors and Privy Council shall within the said Thirty-one Days signify to the said Corporation at their said Office their Disapprobation of such Election, and direct a new one to be made, then such Election shall be void; and the said Corporation shall go to and hold in like Manner a new Election for the filling up such Vacancy or Vacancies, and so from Time to Time until such Person shall be so elected as shall not be disapproved of by the Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governor or Governors and Privy Council as aforesaid.

If not disapproved of within 31 Days, Election valid.

XVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if the said Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governor or Governors and Privy Council shall not within the said Thirty-one Days, to be computed from the

Day of delivering in manner aforesaid such Return as aforesaid, signify to the said Corporation at their said Office a Disapprobation of such Election as aforesaid, the same shall from the Time of the Expiration of the said Thirty-one Days be valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes, notwithstanding that such Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governor or Governors and Privy Council shall not have signified any express Approbation thereof; and then and from thenceforth every Person so to be elected shall have full Power and Authority to act and do in all Things comprised in this Act, in as full, large, and ample Manner, to all Intents and Purposes, as any of the Members hereby nominated and appointed.

Oath of Members of Corporation.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That no Person shall be capable of acting as a Member of the said Corporation in the Execution of this Act until he shall have taken and subscribed, before the Sovereign of the Town of *Belfast*, or a Justice of the Peace for the County of *Antrim*, an Oath; which Oath the said Sovereign or Justice is hereby empowered to administer to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

'I do swear [*or* do solemnly affirm], That, according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge, I will faithfully, impartially, and truly execute the several Powers and Authorities vested in me by an Act passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act* [*here set forth the Title of this Act*], according to the Tenor and Purport of the said Act.

'So help me GOD.'

Penalty on Persons not qualified, or being disqualified, acting.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Person, not being qualified, or being disqualified, as in this Act mentioned, or not having taken the said Oath, shall presume to act, every such Person 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, with full Costs of Suit, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Dublin*; and every Person so prosecuted shall prove that he is qualified, or has taken the said Oath as aforesaid, or otherwise shall pay the said Penalty, on Proof given of his having acted as a Member of the Corporation in the Execution of this Act: Provided always, that all Acts and Proceedings of every such Member previous to his being convicted of any such Offence shall notwithstanding such Conviction be as good, valid, and effectual as if such Person had been duly qualified, or had taken the Oaths as aforesaid.

Members absenting for Six Months without Leave shall cease to be such.

XX. And be it enacted, That if any of the Persons now nominated or who shall hereafter be elected a Member of the said Corporation, pursuant to the Powers of this Act, (except the said ex-officio Members the Earl of *Belfast* and Lord *Edward Chichester*,) shall continue to absent himself from the Meetings of the said Corporation for the Space of Six Calendar Months, without Leave from the said Corporation previously given, and entered in the Minutes of the said Corporation, or shall cease to reside within the said Town or within Seven Miles of the *Commercial Buildings* therein, such Persons shall, from and after the Expiration of the said Six Months, or of such ceasing to reside, be deemed and considered as having declined to act,

act, and shall to all Intents and Purposes cease to be a Member of the said Corporation, and another Person shall be elected, pursuant to the Directions of this Act, in the Room of the Person so absenting himself or ceasing to reside: Provided always, that if it shall fully appear to the said Corporation that such Person so absenting himself was prevented from attending the Meetings of the said Corporation by Sickness or other unavoidable Necessity, no Vacancy shall be deemed to have arisen.

No Office to be held by a Member.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That no Person hereby or at any Time hereafter appointed a Member of the said Corporation shall be capable of taking any Contract under this Act while he shall be a Member thereof, nor of holding or enjoying any Office or Place of Profit under the said Corporation, nor of being in any way concerned in any Contract made by virtue of this Act, nor of acting as a Member of such Corporation in any Case where he shall be personally interested except as a Creditor, upon pain of forfeiting Fifty Pounds, to any Person who shall sue for the same, for every Breach of the Provisions hereby made.

Meetings of Corporation.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall meet together at the Ballast Office or at some other convenient House in the Town of *Belfast* upon the second *Thursday* next after the passing of this Act, or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, between the Hours of Ten in the Forenoon and Five in the Afternoon of the same Day, and proceed to the Execution of this Act, and shall then and from Time to Time afterwards adjourn the Meeting to and meet at the Place aforesaid, or at any other convenient Place, as they or the major Part of them at such Meeting shall appoint; and if it shall happen that there shall not be at any such Meeting a sufficient Number of Members to act and to adjourn to another Day (Two Members being a sufficient Number for the Purpose of Adjournment), or if the Members when met shall refuse or neglect to adjourn, then and in such Case any Two or more of the said Members shall and may call a Meeting at the Place where the last Meeting was appointed to be held, giving Notice thereof at least Ten Days before such Meeting, by causing Notice thereof in Writing to be left at the usual Place of Abode of each and every of the Members of the said Corporation, or such of them as shall be resident in or within Seven Miles of the said Town of *Belfast;* and the said Members, when met in pursuance of such Notice, shall and may and they are hereby required to proceed and carry this Act into execution, in the same and in as ample a Manner to all Intents and Purposes as they might or could have done if no such Neglect had happened; and the said Members shall at their Meetings bear and pay their own Charges and Expences; and at every Meeting of the said Corporation to be held by virtue of this Act the Lord of the Castle of *Belfast* for the Time being, or, in his Absence, One of the said Corporation, to be chosen by the Members present at such Meeting, or the major Part in Number of them, shall preside and be called Chairman; and such Chairman shall not only have a Vote as a Member, but, in case of an equal Number of Votes upon any Question, shall have the decisive or casting Vote.

XXIII. And

Five Members of the Corporation to have Power to execute this Act.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That all Powers, Authorities, Directions, Matters, and Things, by this Act given to or directed to be done or executed by or before the said Corporation, shall and may be exercised, had, and done by or before any Five or more of them (except only where some other Number is appointed by this Act); and all such Matters and Things shall be of as full Force and Effect as if done or executed by or before all the Members, any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding; but no Act of the said Corporation (except that of Adjournment, and also except in Cases where it is hereby otherwise directed,) shall be binding or valid unless done at some public Meeting to be held by virtue of this Act.

No Order to be revoked unless concurred in at a subsequent Meeting.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That no Order to be made by Five of the said Members shall be revoked or altered unless a Majority of the Members present at a subsequent Meeting to be held for that Purpose (of which Fourteen Days Notice in Writing shall be given by any Two or more of the said Members as in manner directed by this Act) shall concur in such Revocation or Alteration; which Meeting shall consist of Seven Members at the least.

Power to appoint Committees.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Members of the said Corporation at any of their Meetings to nominate and appoint One or more Committee or Committees of the said Members; and such Committee shall have full Power and Authority to do, execute, and perform all Matters and Things whatsoever, in and about the said Harbour and otherwise, which the said Corporation shall from Time to Time intrust to the Management of such Committees; and such Committees shall meet at such Times and Places as they shall think proper; and all Powers hereby vested in, or which shall be vested in such Committees by the said Corporation, shall be exercised by the major Part present at their respective Meetings; and such Committee shall from Time to Time make Reports of their Proceedings to the Corporation, if required, and shall at all Times be subject to the Controul of the said Corporation.

Corporation may make Contracts.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation may and they are hereby empowered, from Time to Time as Occasion shall require, to contract with any Person or Persons, Workmen or others, for the making or doing all or any Work or Business which the said Corporation may think necessary in and about the improving, repairing, maintaining, opening, or cleansing the said Harbour of *Belfast*, or otherwise in the Execution of this Act; which Contract or Contracts shall contain the Mode and Time in which the Business is to be done and completed, and the Penalties to be suffered in case of Nonperformance, and shall be signed by the Chairman of the said Corporation at any Meeting of the said Corporation, and by the Person or Persons contracting to perform such Work or Business.

Members not to be liable personally.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That no Contract which shall be made by the said Corporation for any of the Purposes of this Act shall be binding upon any of the Members of the said Corporation as Individuals or in their private Capacity, nor shall such Members or any

of their Officers personally, or his or their respective Estates, be answerable for Payment of any of the Mortgages or Transfers granted or to be granted in pursuance of the said recited Act or this Act; and all Money which shall be expended by or recovered against the said Corporation or any of them, or any Person or Persons employed by them, by means of any Action or Suit, Prosecution, Information, Conviction, or Appeal to be brought by or against them or any of them touching the Execution of this Act, and all Costs in respect thereof, shall be borne and defrayed by and out of the Money which shall come to the Hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation by virtue of this Act.

Corporation may appoint Officers, and allow them Salaries.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall and may elect or appoint a Treasurer, Clerk, Collector or Collectors, Surveyor or Surveyors, Harbour Master or Harbour Masters, Ballast Master, and such other Officers, Servants, Workmen, and Persons, as the said Corporation shall think proper; and the said Corporation may from Time to Time at any of their Meetings remove all or any of the said Officers or Persons at their Will and Pleasure, and appoint others in the Room or Stead of such of them as shall die or decline or become incapable to act, or be so removed; and it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, out of the Money to arise by virtue of this Act, to appoint and pay such Salaries or other Allowance to the said Officers or any other Person or Persons employed in or about the Execution of this Act as they shall judge reasonable and proper.

Officers to be appointed at a General Meeting convened by Special Notice.

XXIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful to appoint the Treasurer, Chief Clerk, Surveyor, Harbour Master, or Ballast Master, to be appointed under the Provisions herein-before made in that Behalf, save and except at a Meeting of the said Corporation convened pursuant to a Notice expressing that such Officer or Officers is or are to be appointed at such Meeting, and which Notice shall be delivered in manner herein-before appointed for the Delivery of Notices, nor shall it be lawful to make such Appointment at such Meeting convened as aforesaid unless at least Nine Members of the said Corporation shall attend and be present thereat.

Security to be taken, and Officers to account.

XXX. And be it enacted, That the said Corporation shall and they are hereby required to take good and sufficient Security from their Treasurer, and may and they are hereby empowered to take Security from their Clerk, Collectors, Surveyors, and other Officers, for the due Execution of their respective Offices, and of the Trusts reposed in them; and all such Officers and Persons shall, under their Hands, at such Time and Times and in such Manner as the said Corporation shall direct, deliver to the said Corporation, or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, a true and perfect Account 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 them respectively received by virtue and for the Purposes of this Act, and how much thereof hath been paid and disbursed, and for what Purpose, together with the proper Vouchers for such Payments, and shall pay all such Monies, and deliver all such Goods, Matters, and Things, as shall remain in their respective Hands or Custody, to the

the said Corporation, or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint; and if any such Officer or Person shall not make and render such Account, or produce or deliver up the Vouchers relating to the same, or make Payment as aforesaid, or shall not deliver to the said Corporation, or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, within Ten Days next after being thereunto required, by Notice in Writing, signed by their Clerk, and given to or left at the last or usual Place of Abode of such Officer or Person, all Books, Papers and Writings, Goods, Matters, and Things, in his or their Custody or Power, belonging to the said Corporation, or relating to the Execution of the said Act or this Act, or give Satisfaction to the said Corporation respecting the same, the said Corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to cause an Action to be brought against the Officer or Person so neglecting or refusing, for the Recovery of the Monies which shall be in his Hands, with Costs of Suit; or if Complaint shall be made by the said Corporation, or by such Person or Persons as they shall appoint for that Purpose, of any such Refusal or Neglect, to any Justice of the Peace for the County, City, Town, Borough, or Place wherein such Officer or Person shall be or reside, such Justice is hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to cause such Officer or Person to be brought before him, and on his appearing, or not being found, to hear and determine the Matter in a summary Way; and if upon the Confession of the Party, or by the Testimony of any credible Witness or Witnesses upon Oath, it shall appear to such Justice that any of the Monies which shall have been collected and raised by virtue of this Act shall be in the Hands of such Officer or Person, such Justice 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 or Person; and if the Goods and Chattels of such Officer or Person cannot be found sufficient to answer and satisfy the said Money, and the Charges of such Distress and Sale, or if it shall in manner aforesaid appear to such Justice that any such Officer or Person shall refuse or neglect to render and give such Account, or to produce the Vouchers relating thereto, or that any Books, Papers, or Writings, Goods, Matters, or Things, belonging to the said Corporation, relating to the Execution of this Act, shall be in the Custody, Controul, or Power of any such Officer or Person, and he shall have refused or neglected to deliver or give Satisfaction respecting the same, then such Justice shall commit every such Offender to the Common Gaol or House of Correction of or for the County, City, Town, or Place where such Offender shall be or reside, there to remain, without Bail or Mainprize, until he or they shall give a true and perfect Account, and make Payment as aforesaid, or until he or they shall compound with the said Corporation touching the same, and shall have paid such Composition in such Manner as they the said Corporation shall appoint (which Composition the said Corporation is hereby empowered to make and receive), and until he or they shall deliver up all such Books, Papers, and Writings, Goods, Matters, and Things, as aforesaid, or give Satisfaction in respect thereof to the said Corporation as aforesaid: Provided always, that no such Officer or Person shall

shall be committed for Want of sufficient Distress for any longer Space of Time than Six Calendar Months.

Clerk not to act as Treasurer, and vice versâ.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Corporation to continue or appoint any Person who has been or may be appointed their Clerk in the Execution of this Act, or the Partner of any such Clerk, or the Clerk or any other Person in the Service or Employ of any such Clerk or of the Partner of any such Clerk, to be the Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act, or to continue or appoint any Person who has been or may be appointed Treasurer, or the Partner of any such Treasurer, or the Clerk or any other Person in the Service or Employ of any such Treasurer or of the Partner of any such Treasurer, to be the Clerk for the Purposes of this Act; 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, or the Clerk or any other Person in the Service or Employ of any such Clerk or of the Partner of any such Clerk, shall act as Treasurer, or as Deputy of the Treasurer, or in any Manner officiate for the Treasurer, or being the Partner of any such Treasurer, or the Clerk or any other Person in the Service or Employ of any such Treasurer or of his Partner, shall accept the Office of Clerk, or shall act as Deputy of the Clerk, or in any Manner officiate for the Clerk in the Execution of this Act, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds; to be recovered, with full Costs of Suit, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Dublin*, by Action of Debt or on the Case, or by Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed.

On Death, &c. of Officers, their Executors to pay the Monies.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That upon the Death, Bankruptcy, or Insolvency of any Treasurer, Clerk, Collector, Surveyor, Officer, or other Person appointed or to be appointed for executing the Purposes of this Act, before he shall have paid and delivered up all the Monies, Books, Papers, Writings, Goods, Matters, and Things which he shall have received by virtue of this Act, the respective Executors and Administrators of such Officer, in case of his Death, or the Assignee or Assignees of his Estate or Effects, or other Person or Persons possessing the same, or in whom the same shall or may be vested, in case of Bankruptcy or Insolvency, shall within Three Calendar Months next after the Decease, Bankruptcy, or Insolvency, or of the same being so vested in such Assignee or Assignees as aforesaid, deliver to the said Corporation, or to their Clerk, an Account in Writing under his, her, or their Hand or Hands, of the Monies, Books, Papers, Writings, Goods, Matters, and Things which such Person or Persons so deceased or become bankrupt or insolvent had been by virtue of this Act appointed to collect or receive, and which shall have been collected or received by such Person deceased or become bankrupt or insolvent, and shall deliver all Books, Papers, Writings, Goods, Matters, and Things concerning his Office to such Person or Persons as the said Corporation at any of their Meetings shall appoint to receive the same; and every Executor or Administrator, Assignee, or other Person or Persons possessed of Monies, Estates,

Estates, or Effects as aforesaid, may plead the Payment or Delivery in any Action or Suit which may be brought against him, her, or them, for or on account of such Estate or Effects, or give the same in Evidence; and in case of Nondelivery of such Books, Papers, Writings, Goods, Matters, and Things, for the Space of Ten Days after the same shall be demanded by the said Corporation as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said Corporation to commence, maintain, and prosecute any Action or Actions in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record, against such Executors or Administrators, Assignee or Assignees, or other Person or Persons possessing the Estate and Effects which did not belong to such deceased Person, or to such Bankrupt or Insolvent, for Recovery thereof, or for Recovery of Damages in lieu of such Books, Papers, Writings, Goods, Matters, and Things respectively: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive the said Corporation, or any of them, of any Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, against the Sureties of any such Treasurer, Clerk, Collector, Surveyor, or other Officer or Officers, for the Nonperformance of any Covenant or Agreement entered into by such Treasurer, Clerk, Collector, Surveyor, Officer, or Officers, or his or their Surety or Sureties, touching any thing to be done under or in pursuance of this Act.

Officers taking Fees to forfeit 50*l.* and to be rendered incapable of again serving.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person who shall be employed by the said Corporation, as Treasurer, Clerk, Collector, Surveyor, or otherwise, in the Execution of this Act, shall exact, take, or accept, by any Ways or Means, any Fee or Reward whatsoever other than such Salary, Payment, or Allowance as is granted by this Act or shall be appointed by the said Corporation, every such Person so offending shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds, and shall moreover be incapable of ever again serving or being employed under this Act.

Proceedings to be entered in a Book.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall cause One or more Book or Books to be provided and kept, and shall cause fair and regular Entries to be made therein of the several Meetings, and Names of the Members attending such Meetings, and of the Nomination of all Officers and Persons, and of all Acts, Orders, and Proceedings relative to the Execution of this Act; and the Chairman for the Time being, and the Clerk attending such Meeting, shall subscribe their Names to the Proceedings of every such Meeting; and all Entries in such Books, being signed as aforesaid, shall be deemed Originals, and shall be admitted to be read in Evidence in all Causes, Suits, and Actions touching any thing to be done in pursuance and by virtue of this Act; and such Books shall be kept by the Clerk to the said Corporation, and shall at every Meeting, and at all other Times between the Hours of Nine and Twelve in the Forenoon, be open and liable to the Inspection of the Members of the said Corporation, or any of them.

Accounts to be kept.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall and they are hereby required, from Time to Time and at all Times, to order and direct a Book or Books to be provided and kept by their Ballast Master, Treasurer, or other Officer, who shall enter or cause

cause to be entered therein true and regular Accounts of all Sums of Money received, paid, laid out, and expended for or on account of this Act, and of the several Articles, Matters, and Things, together with the Quantities and Prices thereof respectively, for which any Sum or Sums of Money shall have been disbursed, laid out, and paid; and such Book or Books shall between the Hours of Nine and Twelve in the Forenoon be open to the Inspection of the Members of the said Corporation, or any Creditor or Creditors of the Rates granted by this Act, without Fee or Reward, and also to any Person or Persons in anywise interested therein, upon Payment of One Shilling for such Inspection to the Officer so ordered and directed to keep such Book or Books; and the said Members and such Creditors shall or may take Copies of or Extracts from the said Book or Books, or any Part or Parts thereof, without paying any thing for the same; and such Officer so ordered and directed as aforesaid to keep such Book or Books shall, upon Demand, forthwith give a Copy or Copies of the same, or any Part or Parts thereof, to any such Person or Persons in anywise interested therein, the Person or Persons requiring such Copy or Copies paying at the Rate of Sixpence for every One hundred Words, and so in proportion for any greater or less Number of Words; and in case the said Officer so ordered and directed to keep such Book shall refuse to permit or shall not permit such Members or Creditors, or any of them, to inspect the same, or to take such Copies or Extracts as aforesaid, or shall refuse to grant or shall not grant to any such Person or Persons in anywise interested therein, upon Demand, such Inspection or Inspections as aforesaid, or shall refuse to give or shall not give, upon Demand, such Copy or Copies as aforesaid, such Officer shall for every such Refusal forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Bye Laws.

XXXVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation from Time to Time to make and ordain such Rules, Bye Laws, and Regulations, for cleansing and improving the said Port, Harbour, and River of *Belfast*, and for regulating the Conduct of the Masters and Owners of Shipping resorting to the said Port and Harbour, in the throwing out and taking in their Ballast, and in stationing and mooring their Ships and Vessels, and for regulating the Conduct of the Owners and Managers of Lighters, Gabbards, and other Vessels to be employed in furnishing Ballast to and taking Ballast from such Shipping, or in carrying Goods or Merchandize to or from any Vessel in the said Harbour, and for securing of Ships and Vessels trading to the said Port and Harbour, and for regulating and conducting the Business of the Ballast Office, and for the well governing of the said Office, and the several Officers and Clerks to be employed therein, and in and about the Business thereof, and for regulating the Conduct and well governing the several Pilots, Pilot Masters, and Haven Masters, and for appointing the Place in which such Office as aforesaid shall be from Time to Time held, as the said Corporation shall judge necessary or expedient, and by such Bye Laws or any of them to appoint such Fine or Fines to be paid for any Breach or Breaches thereof respectively, as they shall think fit, and to be levied by such Ways and Means as the said Corporation shall by such Bye Laws or any of them direct; all of which Rules, Orders,

Bye Laws, and Regulations shall be as binding and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes as if the same were enacted by this Act; provided such Rules, Orders, Bye Laws, and Regulations, or any of them, or any Matter therein to be contained, shall not be contrary to any of the Laws and Statutes of this Realm or to this Act, or any of the Provisions herein contained, and that no Fine to be imposed for any Breach or Breaches thereof shall exceed the Sum of Five Pounds Sterling: Provided always, that such Bye Laws shall be painted on Boards in legible Characters, and shall be hung up in some conspicuous Places on the Quays of the said Town, and shall be renewed as often as the same shall become obliterated or defaced.

Appointments of Officers and their Salaries, and also all Bye Laws, &c. to be confirmed by the Lord Lieutenant.

XXXVII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That no Appointment or Appointments as aforesaid of any Officer or Officers as aforesaid, or of the Salary or Salaries, Allowance or Allowances, to be paid to them or any of them, shall be valid, nor shall any Rule, Order, Bye Law, or Regulation to be made by the said Corporation be of any Force or Effect, unless a Return in Writing of such Appointment or Appointments, Salary or Salaries, Allowance or Allowances as aforesaid, and a true Copy of such Rule, Order, Bye Law, or Regulation as aforesaid, as the Case shall happen to be, which Return or Copy shall be under the Seal of the said Corporation, shall be laid before the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors and the Privy Council of *Ireland* for the Time being, by delivering the same at the Office of the Clerk of the Privy Council Thirty-one Days at least before such Appointment or Appointments, Rule, Order, Bye Law, or Regulation, shall be intended to take effect; and if the said Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governor or Governors and Privy Council shall within the said Thirty-one Days signify to the said Corporation at the said Office their Disapprobation of such Appointment or Appointments, Rule, Order, Bye Law, or Regulation respectively, the same shall be of no Force or Effect.

Map or Plan to remain with Clerks of Peace, &c.

XXXVIII. And whereas a Map and Plan, together with Books of Reference thereto, describing the Limits within which the Docks, Improvements, and Works by this Act authorized to be made, have been deposited with the Clerk of the Peace of the County of *Antrim*, the Clerk of the Peace of the County of *Down*, also with the Town Clerk of the Town of *Belfast*, or One of them; be it enacted, That the said Maps or Plans and Books of Reference shall remain with the said Clerks of the Peace and the said Town Clerk; and they and each of them are hereby required to preserve such Maps or Plans or Books among the Records of their respective Offices, to the End that all Persons may at seasonable Times have Liberty to inspect the same, and to take Copies thereof at their Will and Pleasure, paying the Sum of One Shilling for every such Inspection, and Two Shillings and Sixpence for every such Copy or Map or Plan, and at the Rate of Sixpence for every One hundred Words of such Book of Reference.

Power to treat for Lands, &c.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall have full Power and Authority to purchase the present Docks and

and Quays of *Belfast*, and to widen, improve, and cross such public Roads, Passages, and Streets as shall or may interfere with the Docks, Basins, Bridges, or other Works hereby authorized to be made, or any of them, and to treat and agree, and to employ any Person or Persons to treat and agree, for the Purchase of all such Quays, Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, of what Nature and Kind soever, situate within the Limits described in the said Map or Plan, and specified or referred to in the Schedule hereunto annexed, and of all Quayage, Wharfage, Tolls, Customs, and other Dues payable thereout, and of all and any subsisting Leases, Terms, Estates, and Interests therein as they shall judge necessary or proper to be purchased for or in respect of the Docks, Basins, Entrances, Quays, Wharfs, Channels, Cuts, Communications, Inlets, Warehouses, Vaults, Railways, Works, or Premises hereby authorized to be made, or any of them, or for the Purpose of enlarging or improving the same, or for any of the Purposes of this Act.

Not to take Lands in County of Down Side without Consent of Colonel Chichester;

XL. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be deemed or construed to extend to authorize the said Corporation to purchase or take, for the Purpose of this Act, more than One hundred and ten Acres Statute Measure on the County of *Down* Side of the said Harbour, without the Consent in Writing of Colonel *Arthur Chichester*, his Heirs and Assigns; and that the Land so to be taken shall be applied solely to the Purposes of this Act.

Not to take certain Lands herein referred to without Consent;

XLI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to enable the said Corporation, without the Consent in Writing first had and obtained of *John Gilmore Dunbar* and *Henry Joy Holmes*, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, to take or purchase any Part of the Ground or Tenements described in the Map or Plan aforesaid, and in the Schedule hereunto annexed, and numbered 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8^a, 8^b, 8^c, 8^d, 8^e, 9, 9^a, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, nor to take or purchase any Part of the Ground or Tenements described in the Map or Plan aforesaid, and in the Schedule hereunto annexed, and numbered N° 1. without the Consent in Writing first had and obtained of *Elizabeth May* Widow, or of the Person or Persons who may hereafter be entitled to or seised or possessed of such Estate as the late *Edward May* Clerk, deceased, may have had during his Lifetime, of and in the said Ground and Tenements, or of the Guardian or Guardians, or Committee or Committees of such Person or Persons who may be from Time to Time lawfully constituted and appointed: Provided always, that it shall not be necessary to obtain the Consent of any Person having an Estate less than Freehold or Term of Twenty-one Years unexpired in such Ground or Premises; nor shall any thing herein contained extend or be construed to extend to enable the said Corporation to take or purchase more of the Ground and Premises marked respectively N° 2 and N° 3 in the said Map and Schedule than shall be sufficient to form the intended new Cut or Channel in such Map marked and described, with proper and suitable Roads, Quays, and Wharfs; the Ground to be taken for such Roads,

Roads, Quays, and Wharfs not to exceed One hundred and fifty Feet in Breadth on each Side of the new Cut or Channel; and such Roads to be left unfenced on the exterior Boundary of the said One hundred and fifty Feet, bordering and abutting on the Land of the said *John Gilmore Dunbar* and *Henry Joy Holmes*, but without any Right of Entry or Passage or Easement whatever to the said *John Gilmore Dunbar* or *Henry Joy Holmes*, or any Person or Persons deriving from or under them or either of them, to such Quays and Wharfs, other than such as shall or may be agreed upon and granted by the said Corporation, and subject to such Dues, Restrictions, and Conditions as such Corporation shall by this Act have Power to impose or make in respect of any Quay or Wharf to be constructed under the Authority thereof.

nor certain Lands of Sir Stephen May without his Consent.

XLII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to enable the said Corporation to take or purchase any Part of the Dock or Timber Ponds, Fields, or Premises mentioned in the Schedule to this Act and Plan, and numbered 74 and 74ª, without the Consent of Sir *Stephen May*, his Heirs and Assigns.

Misnomers not to prevent the Execution of this Act.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That if any of the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, within the Limits described in the Map or Plan, and mentioned or referred to in the said Schedule, or any of the Persons in whose Possession or Occupation the same or any Part thereof are or is stated or described to be, or the Owner or Owners, Lessee or Lessees thereof, or any Person interested therein, or in any Part thereof, or any Interest therein, shall happen to be mis-named, mis-spelt, mis-stated, omitted, or incorrectly described in the said Map or Plan or Schedule, then and in such Case, if it shall appear to any Two Justices of the Peace for the County of *Antrim*, and if it shall be certified by Writing under their Hands, that such Misnomer, Mis-spelling, Mis-statement, Omission, or incorrect Description proceeded from Mistake, such Misnomer, Mis-spelling, Mis-statement, Omission, or incorrect Description shall not prevent or retard the Execution of this Act, but the said Premises and every Part thereof shall and may be purchased, sold, agreed for, valued, and assessed in manner in this Act mentioned, and conveyed, disposed of, and applied for the Purposes of this Act, as fully and effectually as if the same were properly named, spelt, stated, inserted, and described in the said Map or Plan and Schedule.

If Corporation do not contract for Premises within Five Years, Power to purchase to cease.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That if the said Corporation shall not within the Space of Five Years, to be computed from the passing of this Act, agree for, or cause to be valued and paid for, as herein-after mentioned, the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments which they are hereby empowered to purchase as aforesaid, or so much thereof as they shall deem necessary or proper for the Purposes of this Act, then and from thenceforth those Powers which are hereby granted to them for such Purpose only shall cease, determine, and be utterly void, except with the Consent of the Owners or Proprietors of any such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments.

Incapacitated Persons empowered to sell Lands, &c.

XLV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for all Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Tenant in Tail or for Life, Husbands, Guardians, Trustees, and Feoffees in Trust for charitable or other Purposes, Committees, Executors and Administrators, and all other Trustees and Persons whomsoever, not only for and on behalf of themselves, their Heirs and Successors, but also for and on behalf of their Cestuique Trust Wards, whether Infants, Issue unborn, Lunatics, Idiots, or Femes Covert, who are or shall be seised or possessed of or interested in their own Right, or entitled to Dower or any other Interest therein, and to and for all and every other Person or Persons whomsoever who are, is, or shall be seised or possessed of or interested in any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments comprised within the Limits described in the said Maps or Plans, and mentioned or referred to in the said Schedule, and of all Quayage, Wharfage, Tolls, Customs, and other Dues payable thereout, which, or Part of which, shall be thought by the said Corporation proper to be purchased, to contract for, sell, and convey the same, and every or any Part thereof, to the said Corporation; and all Contracts, Agreements, Bargains, Sales, Conveyances and Assurances, Acts and Deeds, which shall be made by such Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Trustee or Trustees, or other Person or Persons as aforesaid, shall be valid and effectual in the Law to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, any Law, Statute, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding; and all Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, and all Persons whomsoever, so contracting or conveying as aforesaid, are hereby indemnified for or in respect of any such Sale which he, she, they, or any of them shall respectively make by virtue or in pursuance of this Act.

Persons not to be compelled to sell Part of a House, &c. if willing to sell the whole.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Trustee or Trustees, or other Person or Persons, shall be applied to or in behalf of the said Corporation, to treat for, sell, dispose of, or convey any Part or Parts of any House, Building, or entire Piece of Land in the actual Occupation of One Person or of several Persons jointly, and shall, by Notice in Writing to be left with the Ballast Master of the said Corporation within Twenty-one Days after such Application, signify his, her, or their Inclination or Desire to treat for, sell, dispose of, and convey the whole of such House, Building, or entire Piece of Land, and if it shall happen that the said Corporation shall not think proper or be willing to purchase the whole of such House, Building, or entire Piece of Land, then and in every such Case nothing in this Act shall extend or be construed to extend to compel the several Persons interested therein to treat for, sell, dispose of, or convey, or to authorize the said Corporation to take or use, Part only or less than the Whole of such House, Building, or entire Piece of Land, unless such Piece of Land do contain more than Five Statute Acres, in which Case it shall be lawful for the said Corporation to treat for and purchase such Part thereof lying within the Limits described in the same

Map or Plan as they shall think fit, any thing herein-before contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Owners and Occupiers of Premises to have Compensation for Goodwill, &c.

XLVII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Trustee or Trustees, and other Person or Persons herein-before capacitated to contract for, sell, and convey any such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments as aforesaid, and any other Owner or Owners, Tenant or Tenants at Will, or otherwise, of any such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or of any Share or Shares, Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, may accept and receive, and shall be entitled to have and receive, such Satisfaction or Recompence for the Value thereof, and such Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Trustee or Trustees, Person or Persons, Owner or Owners, and also any Tenant or Tenants for a Year, or from Year to Year, or at Will, or other Occupier or Occupiers of any such Premises, may accept and receive, and shall be entitled to have and receive, such Compensation for such Goodwill as shall be lost, and also for Tenants Fixtures and Improvements, and for such Injury or Damage as shall be sustained on account of the Execution of this Act, or in anywise relating thereto, as shall be agreed upon between them and the said Corporation; and in case the said Corporation and the said Parties interested in such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Goodwill, Tenants Fixtures, and Improvements, or sustaining any such Injury or Damage, cannot or do not agree as to the Amount or Value of such Satisfaction, Recompence, or Compensation, the same respectively shall be ascertained and settled by a Jury in manner herein-after directed.

Tenants for a Year, &c. not to be subject to Rent after Surrender of their Interest.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Tenant for a Year or at Will of any Premises that shall be wanted by the said Corporation for the Purposes of the said Works shall give up the Possession of such Premises to the Corporation before the legal Determination of his Interest therein, such Tenant shall be subject to pay Rent up to such Time only as he or she shall continue in Possession of such Premises.

If Parties refuse or are unable to treat, Ballast Master to issue a Precept for impannelling a Jury.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That if any such Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Tenant for Life or Years, or in Fee Tail, General or Special, Feoffees in Trust for charitable or other Purposes, Husbands, Guardians, Committees, or Trustees, or any other Owners, Proprietors, or Occupiers, or other Person or Persons seised or possessed of or interested in any such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or Share or Shares, Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, as aforesaid, for and on his, her, or their Part or Parts, or for or on the Part or Parts of his, her, or their Cestuique Trust or Wards, or of any other incapacitated Person or Persons, as aforesaid, shall refuse to accept such Purchase Money, Satisfaction, Recompence, or other Compensation as shall be offered by the said Corporation, or any Person or Persons authorized by them in their Behalf, or

or if any Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Trustee or Trustees, or any Person or Persons seised, possessed, or interested as aforesaid, shall (Notice in Writing signifying the Intention of the Corporation to contract for the Purchase thereof having been given to the principal Officer or Officers of such Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, or to such Trustee or Trustees, Person or Persons respectively, or left at the last or usual Place or Places of his, her, or their Abode, or with the Tenant or Tenants, Occupier or Occupiers of such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or affixed upon the same Premises,) for the Space of Twenty-one Days next after such Notice neglect or refuse to treat or agree, or shall not agree, or by reason of Absence or Disability cannot agree with the said Corporation, or with any Person or Persons authorized by them, for the Sale and Conveyance of such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or their respective Shares, Estates, and Interests therein, or cannot be found or known, or shall not produce and evince a clear Title to the Premises they are in Possession of, or to the Interest they shall claim therein, to the Satisfaction of the said Corporation or of the Person or Persons so authorized by them, then and in every such Case the Ballast Master of the said Corporation shall and he is hereby empowered from Time to Time to issue a Warrant or Precept directed to the Sheriff of the County of *Antrim* or to the Sheriff of the County of *Down*, as the Lands or Tenements which are to be the Subject of the Inquisition to be taken by virtue of this Act shall be situate within the said County of *Down* or the County of *Antrim* respectively; and the respective Sheriffs of such Counties, and each of them, as the Case may be, are and is hereby authorized, directed, and empowered accordingly to impannel, summon, and return a competent Number of indifferent Persons, qualified according to the Laws of this Realm to serve on Juries, not less than Eighteen nor more than Twenty-four, to come and appear before the said Sheriff at such Time and Place as in such Warrant or Precept shall be appointed; and out of the Persons so to be impannelled, summoned, and returned, or out of such of them as shall appear, a Jury of Twelve Men shall be drawn by the said Sheriff in such Manner as Juries for the Trial of Issues joined in His Majesty's Court of Record at *Dublin* are directed to be drawn; and in default of a sufficient Number of Jurymen the said Sheriff shall return other substantial and indifferent Men of the By-standers, or of others who can be speedily procured to attend that Service, being so qualified as aforesaid, to make up the said Jury to the Number of Twelve; and all Parties concerned shall and may have their lawful Challenges against any of the said Jurymen, but shall not be at liberty to challenge the Array; and the said Sheriff is hereby authorized and empowered, from Time to Time as Occasion shall require, by Precept or Precepts to summon and call before him all and every or any Person and Persons whomsoever who shall be thought necessary and proper to be examined as Witness or Witnesses on his or their Oath or Oaths touching or concerning the Premises; and the said Sheriff shall and may, on the Application of either Party, authorize the said Jury or any Five or more of them to view the Place or Places and Premises

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in question, in such Manner as he or they shall direct; and the said Sheriff shall have Power to adjourn from Day to Day as Occasion shall require, and to command such Jury, Witness, and Parties to attend until all such Affairs for which they were summoned shall be concluded; and the said Jury upon their Oaths (which Oaths, as well as the Oaths of such Person or Persons as shall be called upon to give Evidence, the said Sheriff is hereby empowered and required to administer,) shall inquire of, assess, and ascertain and give a Verdict for the Sum or Sums of Money to be paid for the Purchase of or a Satisfaction or Recompence for either of the Entirety of such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or for any Share or Shares, Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, and the Compensation which shall be made in respect of Goodwill, Improvements, or any Injury or Damage whatsoever to be lost or sustained by any such Body or Bodies, or Person or Persons (provided that such Goodwill, Improvements, Injury, and Damage shall be estimated by what in the Opinion of such Jury the same would have been worth if the Docks and other Works authorized by this Act had never been in contemplation); and the said Sheriff shall give Judgment for such Purchase Money, Satisfaction, Recompence, or Compensation so to be assessed; which said Verdict or Verdicts, and the said Judgment or Judgments thereupon, shall be binding and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes upon all Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Trustee or Trustees, and upon all other Persons: Provided always, that not less than Fourteen Days Notice in Writing to be given to the Party or Parties with whom such Controversy shall arise, by leaving such Notice at the Dwelling House of such Person or Persons, or of the Clerk or Agent or head Officer of any such Body Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, or Corporation Aggregate or Sole, or with some Tenant or Occupier of the Premises intended to be valued, or respecting which any such Controversy shall arise.

Verdicts to be enrolled in Chancery, and Copies to be Evidence.

L. And be it further enacted, That the said Verdicts, Judgments, and Determinations, and all other Proceedings of the said Sheriff and Juries, so to be made, given, and pronounced as aforesaid, shall be fairly written on Parchment, and signed by the Sheriff, and shall be transmitted to, kept, and entered on the Rolls of His Majesty's High Court of Chancery in *Ireland*, and shall be deemed Records of the said Court to all Intents and Purposes; and the same or true Copies thereof shall be allowed to be good Evidence in all Courts whatsoever, and all Persons shall have Liberty to inspect the same, upon paying for such Inspection the Sum of Two Shillings and Sixpence.

Fines on Sheriffs, Jury, and Witnesses for Non-attendance.

LI. And it is further enacted, That any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Antrim* shall have Power from Time to Time to impose any reasonable Fine, not exceeding the Sum of Ten Pounds, on such Sheriff, or his Under Sheriff, Deputy or Deputies, Bailiffs, or Agents respectively, making Default in the Premises, and on any of the Persons who shall be summoned and returned on any such Jury or Juries, and shall not appear, without sufficient Excuse, or appearing shall refuse to be sworn on the said Jury or Juries, or being sworn shall not give his or their Verdict, and also on any

Person or Persons who shall be summoned to give Evidence touching any of the Matters aforesaid, and shall not attend, or attending shall refuse to be sworn or to affirm, or be examined or to give Evidence as a Witness, and on any Person or Persons who shall in any Manner wilfully neglect his or their Duty in the Premises, contrary to the true Meaning of this Act.

Value of Lands, &c. and Damages to be ascertained separately.

LII. And be it further enacted, That the said Sheriff and Juries shall award all Determinations, Judgments, and Verdicts which they shall make and give in the Execution of the Powers hereby vested in them concerning the Value of Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or any Share or Shares, Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, separately and distinctly from the Consideration of any other Loss or Damages to be sustained by any Person or Persons in consequence of the Execution of any of the Powers of this Act; and shall distinguish the Value set upon the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Share or Shares, Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, and the Money assessed or adjudged for such Loss or Damages as aforesaid, separately and apart from each other.

Jury to be under same Regulations as in the Courts at Dublin.

LIII. And be it further enacted, That every such Jury and Jurymen as aforesaid shall be under and subject to the same Regulations, Pains, and Penalties as if such Jury or Jurymen had been returned for the Trial of any Issue joined in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Dublin;* and all and every Person and Persons who on any Examination to be taken by virtue of this Act shall wilfully give false Evidence upon Oath before the said Sheriff, or before any such Jury as aforesaid, shall and may be prosecuted for the same, and upon Conviction thereof shall be subject to such Punishments and Disqualifications as any Person or Persons can or may be subject to for wilful and corrupt Perjury by the Law or Statutes of this Realm.

Regulations as to Costs of Verdicts, &c.

LIV. And be it further enacted, That in case a Verdict shall be given for a greater Sum of Money as a Satisfaction or Recompence for any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Share or Shares, Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, or as a Compensation for any Goodwill, or any Loss or Damage to be sustained as aforesaid respectively, there shall have been offered, by or on behalf of the said Corporation, previously to the summoning of such Jury, or in case by reason of Absence or other Impediment or Disability there shall not be found any Person or Persons at hand who may be legally capacitated to contract with and make Conveyances to or receive Compensations from the said Corporation, when the Dispute is for such Compensations as aforesaid only, as herein-before is mentioned, then and in every or any such Case all the reasonable Costs, Charges, and Expences of causing and procuring such Recompence, Value, or Compensation respectively to be assessed and awarded as aforesaid, and of so assessing and awarding the same, shall be settled by One of the Masters of the said Court of Chancery, and be paid and borne by the said Corporation out of the Monies to be received by virtue of this Act; and in case such Costs, Charges, and Expences shall not be paid by the said Corporation within

within Ten Days after the same shall be demanded, the same shall and may be levied, by virtue of any Warrant under the Hand and Seal of any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Antrim*, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the said Corporation; but in case any Verdict shall be given for the same Sum of Money as shall have been previously offered by or on behalf of the said Corporation, or for a less Sum than shall have been so previously offered, or in case no Compensation shall be given by the Verdict (when the Dispute is for such Compensation as aforesaid only), or in case of such Refusal to treat or convey by any Body or Bodies or by any Person or Persons whomsoever who is or are by the Provisions of this Act or otherwise legally empowered to treat and convey or receive such Compensation as aforesaid, then and in every or any such Case, except when by reason of Absence or otherwise any Person shall have been prevented from treating and agreeing as aforesaid, in which Cases all such Costs, Charges, and Expences are to be paid and borne by the said Corporation, all the reasonable Costs, Charges, and Expences of causing and procuring such Value, Recompence, or Compensation to be assessed and awarded as aforesaid, and of so assessing and awarding the same, shall be taxed by one of the said Masters, and shall be borne and paid in manner following; (that is to say,) one Moiety thereof shall be borne and paid by the said Corporation, and the other Moiety shall be borne and paid by the Body or Bodies, or Person or Persons entitled to or claiming such Value, Recompence, or Compensation; and the said Corporation are hereby authorized and empowered to deduct and retain such last-mentioned Costs, Charges, and Expences out of the Sum or Sums of Money so to be assessed or awarded as aforesaid, or out of any Part thereof; and the Payment or Tender of the Remainder of all such Sum or Sums of Money shall be deemed and taken to all Intents and Purposes to be a Payment or Tender of the whole Sum or Sums so assessed or awarded as aforesaid.

Directing Application of Money when amounting to 200*l.* and upwards.

LV. And be it further enacted, That all Sum and Sums of Money which shall be contracted or agreed or awarded to be paid for any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, purchased by virtue of the Powers of this Act, which shall belong to any Body Politic, Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Tenant for Life or in Tail, Trustee, Feme Covert, Infant, Lunatic, Idiot, Cestuique Trust, or Person or Persons under any other Disability or Incapacity, 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 *Ireland* 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 Corporation for preserving and improving the Port and Harbour of *Belfast*," without Fee or Reward; 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 Houses, Buildings, Lands,

Tenements,

Tenements, or Hereditaments, towards the Discharge of any Debt or Debts, or other such Incumbrances, or Part thereof, as the said Court shall authorize to be paid, affecting the same Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or affecting other Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments standing settled therewith to the same or the like Uses, Intents, and Purposes; or where such Money shall not be so applied, then the same shall be laid out and invested, under the like Direction or Approbation of the said Court, in the Purchase of other Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall be conveyed and settled to, for, and upon such and the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes and in the same Manner as the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments which shall be so purchased, taken, or used for the Purpose of this Act 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 Purchase shall be made the said Money shall, by Order of the said Court of Chancery upon Application thereto, be invested by the said Accountant General in his Name in the Purchase of Government Stock; and in the meantime and until the said Stock should be ordered by the said Court to be sold for the Purposes aforesaid, the Dividend and annual Produce thereof shall from Time to Time be paid, by Order of the said Court, to the Person or Persons who would for the Time being be entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments so hereby directed to be purchased in case such Purchase or Settlement were made.

Application when less than 200*l.* and more than 20*l.*

LVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Money so contracted or agreed or awarded to be paid for any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchased, taken, or raised for the Purposes of this Act, and belonging to any Body Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, Tenant for Life or in Tail, Trustee, Feme Covert, Infant, Lunatic, or Idiot, Cestuique Trust, or other Person or Persons under Disability or Incapacity as aforesaid, shall be less than the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, and shall 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 Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used, or of his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, Trustee or Trustees, or other Person or Persons acting as such, to be signified in Writing under their respective Hands, be paid into the Bank of *Ireland* in the Name and with the Privity of the said Accountant General of the 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 Two Trustees, to be nominated by the Person or Persons making such Option, and approved of by the said Corporation (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

be applied in manner herein-before directed, so far as the Case shall be applicable, without obtaining or being required to obtain the Direction or Approbation of the Court of Chancery.

Application when Money is under 20*l.*

LVII. And be it further enacted, That where such Money 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 Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, so purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes of this Act, as the said Corporation shall think fit; or, in Cases of Infancy, Lunacy, or Idiotcy, then to his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, Trustee or Trustees, or other Person or Persons acting as such, and to and for the Use and Benefit of such Person or Persons so entitled respectively; and the Receipt or Receipts of the Person or Persons to whom the said Corporation shall direct the same to be paid shall be sufficient Discharges for the same.

In case Titles are deficient, the Money to be paid into the Bank.

LVIII. And be it further enacted, That in case the Person or Persons to whom such Sum or Sums of Money shall be so awarded shall refuse to accept the same, or shall not be able to make a good Title to the Premises, to the Satisfaction of the said Corporation, or shall refuse to execute such Conveyance or Conveyances, or in case such Person or Persons to whom such Sum or Sums of Money shall be so awarded as aforesaid cannot be found, or if the Person or Persons entitled to such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments be not known or cannot be found, then and in every such Case it shall be lawful for the said Corporation to order the said Sum or Sums of Money so awarded to be paid into the Bank of *Ireland*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account to the Credit of the Parties interested in the said Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments [describing them], subject to the Order, Controul, and Disposition of the said Court; which said Court, on the Application of any Person or Persons making claim to such Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, by Motion or Petition, shall be and is hereby empowered, in a summary Way of Proceeding or otherwise, as to the same Court shall seem meet, to order the same to be laid out and invested in the Public Funds, or to order Distribution thereof, on Payment of the Dividends thereof, according to the respective Estate or Estates, Title or Interest of the Person or Persons making claim thereunto, and to make such other Order in the Premises as to the said Court shall seem just and reasonable; and the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank of *Ireland* who shall receive such Sum and Sums of Money is and are hereby required to give a Receipt for such Sum or Sums of Money, mentioning and specifying for what and for whose Use the same is or are received, to such Person or Persons as shall pay any Sum or Sums of Money into the Bank as aforesaid.

In case of not making out Title, Interest of Money paid into Bank

LIX. And be it further enacted, That where any Question shall arise touching the Title of any Party or Parties to any Money to be paid into the Bank of *Ireland* in pursuance of this Act, for the Purchase of any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any

shall be paid to Person who was in Possession of Premises when bought.

any Part thereof, or of any Estate, Right, or Interest therein, to be purchased or taken in pursuance of this Act, or to any Government Stock to be purchased with any such Money, or to the Dividends of any such Stock, the Party or Parties who shall have been in Possession of such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments at the Time of such Purchase shall be deemed and taken to have been lawfully entitled to such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Part, Estate, Right, or Interest therein, according to such Possession, until the contrary shall be shewn to the Satisfaction of the said Court of Chancery, and the Dividends of the said Stock shall be paid, applied, and disposed of accordingly, unless it shall appear to the said Court that such Possession was a wrongful Possession, and that some other Party or Parties was or were lawfully entitled to such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or to some Part, Estate, or Interest therein.

Cost of Purchase from Incapacitated Persons to be paid by the Corporation.

LX. And be it further enacted, That where by reason of any Disability or Incapacity of the Party or Parties entitled to any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or any Part, Estate, Right, or Interest therein, to be purchased or taken under the Authority of this Act, the Purchase Money for the same shall be required to be paid into the Bank of *Ireland*, and to be applied in the Purchase of other Messuages, Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be settled to the like Uses, in pursuance of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Court to order the Expences of such last-mentioned Purchase, or so much of such Expences as the said Court shall deem reasonable, together with the Charges of obtaining such Order, to be paid by the said Corporation; and the said Corporation shall from Time to Time, out of any Monies applicable to the Purposes of this Act, pay such Sums of Money for the Purposes aforesaid as the said Court shall direct.

Property to vest on Payment of Purchase Money.

LXI. And be it further enacted, That from and immediately after actual Payment or Tender being made of the Monies contracted or agreed or otherwise awarded to be paid as the Purchase Money or Compensation for any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Part, Estate, Right, or Interest of or in the same, which shall be purchased or taken by virtue or in pursuance of this Act, either to the Person or Persons, Party or Parties respectively entitled to receive the same Monies, within One Calendar Month after such Monies shall have been so contracted, agreed for, or awarded to be paid as aforesaid, or, where the Provisions of this Act shall so require or allow, into the Bank of *Ireland* within One Calendar Month as aforesaid, for the Purpose of being disposed of in the Manner in this Act directed, all and every the Premises, Estate, Right, or Interest for or in respect whereof such Monies shall have been so paid or tendered shall absolutely vest in the said Corporation paying or tendering such Purchase Money for the Purposes for which they are by this Act to purchase or take the same; and the said Corporation shall be deemed in Law to be in the actual Possession thereof to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, freed and discharged of and from all former and other Estates, Rights, Titles, Claims, and Demands of any Person or Persons whatsoever, any

Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Power to sell by public Auction Premises not wanted.

LXII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, and they are hereby empowered, if and as they shall see fit, to sell by public Cant or Auction, of which Fifteen Days Notice shall be previously given in some One or more of the public Papers published in the said Town of *Belfast*, so much or such Part or Parts of the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased by or vested in them by virtue of the Powers herein contained as shall at any Time or Times be found by them to be unnecessary or more than sufficient for the Purposes of this Act; and for completing and carrying any such Sales into effect the said Corporation are hereby authorized and empowered to make and execute any Conveyances of such of the said Premises as shall be sold unto the Purchasers thereof; and such Conveyances shall in all Cases be deemed sufficient in Law to vest such of the said Premises as shall be expressed and intended to be granted by such Conveyance in the Purchasers thereof, and his, her, or their respective Heirs and Assigns; and upon Payment of the Money which shall arise by or from the Sale or Sales of such Premises, or any Part or Parts thereof, it shall be lawful for any Three Members of the said Corporation to sign and give a Receipt or Receipts for the Money for which the same shall be so sold, which Receipts shall be sufficient Discharges to any Person or Persons for the Money therein and thereby expressed to be received; and the Person or Persons having paid the same shall not be answerable or accountable for any Loss, Misapplication, or Nonapplication thereof.

Delivery of Possession.

LXIII. And be it further enacted, That every Tenant at Will or Lessee for a Year, or any other Person or Persons, in Possession of any such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Part thereof, which shall be purchased by virtue of this Act, or vested in the said Corporation for the Purposes of this Act, who shall have no greater Interest in the Premises than as Tenant at Will, or Lessee or Lessees for a Year, or from a Year to Year, shall at the End of Six Calendar Months next after Notice in Writing signed by the Ballast Master of the said Corporation shall have been given to him, her, or them, or left at the Premises which are the Subject of such Notice, and whether such Notice be given with reference to the Time or Times of such Tenant's Holding or not, quit and relinquish the said Premises unto the said Corporation or other Person or Persons authorized by the Corporation to take Possession thereof; and in case any such Lessee shall be compelled to quit before the Expiration of his or her Term or Interest in any such Premises, then and in such Case the Corporation shall give Satisfaction and Compensation for the Loss or Damage which he or she shall sustain thereby; and in case of Difference as to the Amount of such Satisfaction or Compensation, the same shall or may be settled and ascertained by a Jury in the same Manner as the Sums of Money to be paid for the Purchase of any Lands or Hereditaments are herein-before directed to be ascertained; and that all and every Person and Persons, Bodies Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation

tion Aggregate or Sole, in the Possession of any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Part of any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which shall or may be purchased, in pursuance of this Act, by the said Corporation, or vested in them for any of the Purposes of this Act, shall, upon Payment or Tender as aforesaid of such Recompence or Satisfaction for any of his, her, or their Term, Estate, or Interest in the Premises as shall be mutually agreed upon, or as shall be settled, ascertained, and awarded by the Verdict or Inquisition of a Jury in manner aforesaid, quit and relinquish the said Premises so in their respective Possessions unto the said Corporation, or unto such Person or Persons as shall be appointed by the said Corporation to receive Possession of the same; and all Leases, Demises, Contracts, and Agreements whatsoever, under or by virtue whereof any such Person or Persons shall hold the said Premises, shall, at and from the End and Expiration of such Six Calendar Months, or upon such Payment or Tender as aforesaid, be absolutely void and of none Effect as against the said Corporation; and if any such Tenant at Will or Lessee or other Person or Persons, Bodies Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, Corporation Aggregate or Sole, as aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to or not deliver up the Premises in his or her Possession at the Expiration of such Six Calendar Months, or upon such Payment or Tender as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace for the County of *Antrim* or for the County of *Down,* as the Case may require, to issue his Precept or Warrant to the Constable of the said County for the Time being, or any of them, or to any Person or Persons to be by such Justice appointed a Constable or Constables for that special Purpose, commanding and requiring such Constable or Constables, or any of them, to cause Possession of the said Premises to be taken, and afterwards delivered to such Person or Persons as shall in such Precept or Warrant be nominated to receive the same on behalf of the said Corporation; and the said Constables and every of them are and is thereupon hereby authorized and required to cause such Possession to be taken and delivered accordingly.

Compensation to be made to Tenant at Will before Possession taken of their Premises.

LXIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Corporation, nor shall the said Corporation take such Possession of any such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises respectively which at the Time of the passing of this Act is or are or may be held by Tenants at Will, or Occupiers from Year to Year, named in the Schedule of this Act, until such Compensation as shall be due and required shall be made to such Tenant or Tenants at Will, or from Year to Year, or other Occupier, for or in respect of their Goodwill, Tenants Fixtures, Improvements, Injury, or Damage to be sustained on account of the Execution of this Act, or in anywise relating thereto, to be ascertained, in case of Disagreement, in manner herein-before directed.

The Words "grant, bargain, and sell" to operate as Covenants.

LXV. And be it further enacted, That in all Grants and Conveyances to be made by the said Corporation, under or by virtue or in pursuance of the several Powers and Authorities to them hereby given, the Words "grant, bargain, and sell" shall amount to and be construed

construed and adjudged in all Courts of Judicature to be express Covenants to the Grantee or other Purchaser, his, her, and their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, from the said Corporation, for themselves and their Successors, that they the said Corporation, notwithstanding any Act done by them, were at the Time of the Execution of every such Grant, Release, or Conveyance seised of the Hereditaments and Premises thereby granted, conveyed, and sold of an indefeasible Estate of Inheritance in Fee Simple free from all Incumbrances, and for quiet Enjoyment thereof against the said Corporation and their Successors, and all Persons claiming under them; and all such Purchasers shall be indemnified and saved harmless by the said Corporation and their Successors.

Bargains and Sales to have the Force of Fines and Recovery.

LXVI. And be it further enacted, That the Conveyance of the Estate or Interest of any Feme Covert to the said Corporation by Indenture or Indentures of Bargain and Sale, sealed and delivered by such Feme Covert in the Presence of and attested by Two credible Witnesses, and duly acknowledged and enrolled in the Courts of Chancery or in the Courts of King's Bench or Common Pleas at *Dublin*, or either of them, within Six Calendar Months after the making thereof, shall as effectually and absolutely convey the Estate and Interest of such Feme Covert in the Premises as any Fine or Fines, Recovery or Recoveries would or could do if levied and suffered thereof in due Form of Law; and all Bargains and Sales whatsoever to be made of any such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, as shall be purchased or taken by virtue of and for the Purposes of this Act, and enrolled as aforesaid, shall have the like Force, Effect, and Operation in Law, to all Intents and Purposes, as any Fine or Fines, Recovery or Recoveries whatsoever, would have had if levied or suffered by the Bargainer or Bargainers, or any Person or Persons seised of any Estate in Trust for such Bargainer or Bargainers, in any legal Manner or Form whatsoever.

Mortgagees, on Tender of Principal and Interest, to convey.

LXVII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Mortgagee or Mortgagees of such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments as shall be purchased or taken by virtue of this Act, or any Parts or Shares thereof, not being in Possession thereof by virtue of such Mortgage or Mortgages, shall, on Tender of the Principal and Interest due thereon, together with the Amount of Six Calendar Months Interest on the said Principal Money, by the said Corporation, or by such Person or Persons the said Corporation shall appoint, immediately convey, assign, and transfer such Mortgage or Mortgages to the said Corporation, or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint; or in case such Mortgagee or Mortgagees shall have Notice in Writing from the said Corporation, or from such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, that they will pay off and discharge the Principal Money and Interest which shall be due on the Mortgage or Mortgages at the End or Expiration of Six Calendar Months, to be computed from the Day of giving such Notice, then, at the End of the said Six Calendar Months, on Payment of the Principal and Interest so due, such Mortgagee or Mortgagees shall convey, assign, and transfer his, her, or their Interest in the Premises to the said Corporation, or to such Person or Persons as shall be appointed as aforesaid,

said, in Trust for them; and in case such Mortgagee or Mortgagees shall refuse to convey or assign as aforesaid, on such Tender or Payment, then all Interest on every such Mortgage shall from thenceforth cease and determine: Provided always, that in case the Sum due upon any such Mortgage or Mortgages, with all Interest thereon, shall amount to more than the real Value of the said Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or the Part or Parts thereof which shall be taken for the Purposes of this Act, (such Value to be ascertained in manner herein-before directed,) then the said Corporation shall not be liable to pay the Mortgagee or Mortgagees more than the real Value of such Premises, to be determined as aforesaid.

Upon Payment of Principal and Interest into the Bank, Premises to vest in the Corporation.

LXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any such Mortgagee or Mortgagees shall refuse or neglect to convey or assign as aforesaid, then, upon Payment of the Principal Money and Interest due on any such Mortgage as aforesaid, into the Bank of *Ireland*, in the Manner herein-before mentioned, at the End of Six Calendar Months from the Day of giving such Notice as aforesaid, for the Use of the Mortgagee or Mortgagees, the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank of *Ireland* shall give a Receipt or Receipts for the said Money, in like Manner as herein-before directed in case of other Payments into the Bank, and thereupon all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Use, Trust, Property, Claim, and Demand whatsoever of the said Mortgagee or Mortgagees, and all and every Person or Persons in Trust for him, her, or them, shall vest in the said Corporation and their Successors, and they shall be deemed to be in the actual Possession of the Premises comprised in such Mortgage or Mortgages, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever: Provided also, that if the Money and Interest due in respect of any Mortgage or Mortgages of the said Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, which shall be purchased or taken by virtue of this Act, shall amount to more than the real Value of the Premises charged therewith, or of such of them or such Part or Parts thereof as shall be purchased or taken by virtue of this Act, such Mortgagee or Mortgagees shall, upon Payment or Tender of the Sum to be ascertained as the Value of the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, to be purchased or taken as aforesaid, forthwith convey, assign, and transfer his, her, or their Interest in such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, to the said Corporation, or to such Person or Persons as shall be appointed as aforesaid; and in default of so doing, and on Payment of such Money into the Bank of *Ireland* for the Use of the Mortgagee or Mortgagees, the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank shall give such Receipt or Receipts as aforesaid, and thereupon all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Property, Claim, and Demand of the said Mortgagee or Mortgagees, and all and every Person or Persons in Trust for him, her, or them, in the said Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, the Value whereof shall have been so ascertained and paid into the Bank as aforesaid, shall vest in the said Corporation and their Successors, and they shall be deemed to be in the actual Possession of the said Premises, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever; and such Sums of Money shall be deducted

from the Amount of the Principal and Interest due to such Mortgagee or Mortgagees.

Mortgagees to convey or be foreclosed.

LXIX. And be it further enacted, That if the Money and Interest due in respect of any Mortgage or Mortgages of the said Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, which shall be purchased or taken by virtue of this Act, shall amount to more than the Value of the Premises charged therewith, or of such of them or of such Part or Parts thereof as shall be purchased or taken by virtue of this Act, the Mortgagor or Mortgagors, or other the Person or Persons entitled to the Redemption thereof, shall, upon Payment or Tender of the Sum to be awarded or assessed as the Value of the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, to be purchased or taken as aforesaid, to such Mortgagee or Mortgagees, or into the Bank as aforesaid, forthwith, without any Consideration, convey, assign, or release his, her, or their Right, Equity of Redemption, and Interest in such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or Part or Parts thereof, to the said Corporation, or to such Person or Persons as shall be appointed as aforesaid, and in default of so doing shall be and are hereby barred and foreclosed from all Right or Equity of Redemption of and in the same Premises; and all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Property, Claim, and Demand of him, her, or them, and every Person and Persons in Trust for him, her, or them, in the said Premises, shall vest in the said Corporation and their Successors, and they shall be deemed to be in the actual Possession thereof, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

Purchase Money to be paid by Corporation before they take Possession of the Premises.

LXX. And be it further enacted, That all Sums of Money, or other Consideration, Recompence, and Satisfaction to be paid pursuant to any such Agreement or Verdict as aforesaid, shall be paid or tendered to the Party or Parties entitled to the same, or into the Bank of *Ireland*, as herein-before mentioned, before the Corporation, or any Person or Persons authorized by them, shall proceed to take Possession or pull down any House or Houses or other Erections or Buildings comprised in or affected by such Agreement or Verdict respectively, or to use the Ground thereof, or any other Land, Tenement, or Hereditament, or Part thereof, for any of the Purposes of this Act, unless Leave shall be given for that Purpose in Writing by the Owners and Occupiers of such Houses, Erections, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments.

Vesting the Property in the Corporation.

LXXI. And be it further enacted, That the Right and Property of and in all Buildings and Erections, and the Materials thereof, and of and in all Lands and Tenements, Piers, Jetties, Docks, Lights, Anchors, Buoys, Works, Channels, Cuts, Creeks, Canals, Quays, Wharfs, Walls, Breakwaters, Gates, Drains, Sluices, Matters, and Things which have already been or which shall be at any Time built, made, provided, or established by the said Corporation, by virtue or in pursuance of the said recited Act hereby repealed, or of this Act, and of and in all and every the Materials, Implements, Tools, Goods, Matters, and Things provided or had for the Purposes of the said recited Act or this Act, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the said Corporation during

during the Continuance of this Act; and the said Corporation shall and may cause to be brought any Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, or direct the preferring of any Bill or Bills of Indictment, as the Case may require, against any Person or Persons who shall steal, take, or carry away, or detain, spoil, injure, or destroy, the said Property, or any of the several Articles and Things hereby vested in the said Corporation as aforesaid, or any Part or Parts thereof.

Power to fill up Docks, clear Ground, and sell old Materials.

LXXII. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall and they are hereby authorized to fill up or cause to be filled up the Dock or Docks, Creek or Creeks, Inlet or Inlets, in the said Town of *Belfast*, communicating with the River *Lagan*; and also to take down or cause to be taken down all Houses and other Erections and Buildings whatsoever which shall be purchased or taken by virtue of this Act, or such of them, or such Part thereof, as they shall think proper to be taken down, and to level and clear the Ground whereon the same shall stand or may have stood, and all other the Ground to be purchased or taken by virtue of this Act, in such Manner as they shall think proper, and to sell or cause to be sold the Materials of the Houses and other Erections and Buildings to be taken down and removed pursuant to this Act, and the Ground whereon the same stood, or any Part thereof; and the Monies to be produced by the Sale thereof, after deducting the Expences of taking down such Houses and Buildings, and of such Sale or Sales, and also the Rents and Profits of the said Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments to be purchased or taken by virtue of this Act, until the same shall be taken down or cleared, shall be applied and disposed of for and towards the Purposes of this Act.

Power to divert Course of the River Lagan, and make Docks, Quays, &c.

LXXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, by themselves, their Agents, Workmen, and Servants, to divert, deepen, and improve the Course or Channel of the River *Lagan* between the long Bridge of *Belfast* and the Pool of *Garmoyle*, or any Part thereof, and to fill up the old Channel where the same may be necessary; also to design, lay out, excavate, build, erect, make, complete, repair, and maintain, in, over, under, through, and upon the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments which shall be purchased by or vested in the said Corporation under the Authority of this Act, or any Part or Parts thereof, in manner by this Act directed, One or more navigable Dock or Docks, Basin or Basins, Lock or Locks, Channel or Channels, Sluice or Sluices, Cut or Cuts, with Entrances into or from the same, together with all and every Quay or Quays, Bridge or Bridges, Wharf or Wharfs, Warehouses, Vaults, Cranes, Sheds, Engines, Buildings, Works, and other Matters and Things necessary or proper for the Improvement of the said Harbour, and the convenient Use of the said Docks, Quays, and other Works.

Not to extend beyond Boundary without Consent.

LXXIV. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation, in making the Docks, Roads, and other Works by this Act authorized, shall not extend beyond the Line or Boundary described in the said Map or Plan more than One hundred Yards, without the Consent in Writing of the Person or Persons whose Lands or Premises shall be

further

further wanted for the Purposes of this Act; but it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, with the Consent in Writing of such Person or Persons who shall or may have Power or be hereby enabled and capacitated to sell, to purchase any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, not exceeding in the whole Twenty Statute Acres, for all or any of the Purposes of this Act, although the same shall not be within the same Line or Boundary.

Power to rent Quarries.

LXXV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation, from Time to Time and at all Times hereafter, to contract and agree with, or to employ any Person or Persons to contract and agree with, the Owner or Owners of any Stone Quarries or Quarry, or of any Lands containing any Stone Quarry or Quarries, for the Purchase or renting the same respectively, for the Purpose of getting Stone from and out of the same to be used for the Purposes of this Act, and shall and may pay the Purchase or Consideration Money or Rents for such Quarries or Lands containing Quarries, to be so purchased or rented as aforesaid, with and out of any Monies to be raised by virtue of this Act, and shall and may (if necessary), for procuring or obtaining such Lands or Quarries respectively, have and use all and every the Powers given by this Act with respect to the contracting and agreeing for and purchasing and valuing of any Lands, Grounds, Messuages, Tenements, or Hereditaments, for the Purposes of this Act.

Corporation empowered to make the Channel and other Works.

LXXVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation, and they are hereby authorized, by themselves, their Agents, Officers, Contractors, Workmen, and Servants, to enter into and upon the Lands and Grounds of any Person or Persons, Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate whatsoever, which they are by this Act authorized to take, and to survey and take Levels of the same or any Part thereof, and to set out and ascertain such Parts thereof as they shall think necessary and proper for making the said intended Channel, Docks, and other Works and Conveniences hereby authorized to be made, and there to bore, dig, cut, trench, and drain, and also to remove, take, carry away, and lay any Earth, Clay, Stones, Soil, Rubbish, Trees, Roots of Trees, Beds of Gravel, or any other Matters or Things which may be dug or got in making, or which may hinder, prevent, or obstruct the making, carrying on, maintaining, or repairing the said Channel, Docks, and other Works respectively, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act; and also, subject to the several Restrictions and Conditions in this Act contained, to make Roads and other Ways, as well for the carrying and conveying of all manner of Materials necessary or intended for the making, erecting, finishing, altering, repairing, widening, enlarging, or improving the said Channel, Docks, and the Navigation of the said River *Lagan*, and other Works hereby authorized, as also for the Purposes of the said intended Channel and Navigation, and for the carrying and conveying of Goods, Wares, Merchandize, and other Things to and from the said Channel; and to place, lay, work, or manufacture any Materials on the Lands or Grounds adjoining to the Place or Places where the said Works or any of them shall be carrying on; and also to make,

set out, and appoint such Towing Paths, Banks, Roads, and Ways, for the towing, hauling, or drawing of Barges, Boats, Lighters, Rafts, and other Vessels passing upon the said Channel, River, and Navigation, with Men and Horses or otherwise, and such convenient Places for Barges, Boats, and other Vessels and Rafts to turn, lie, or pass each other in, as the said Corporation shall think proper and expedient; and also to dig, take, and carry away any Soil, Clay, Gravel, Sand, or Stone which shall be proper, requisite, and convenient for the making, maintaining, and repairing the several Works aforesaid, or any of them, in or from the Grounds of any Person or Persons, such Lands, Fields, and Grounds not being a Garden, walled-in Orchard, Yard, Park, or Paddock, or Field inclosed with a Wall made of Lime Mortar, Stone or Brick, of the Height of Six Feet at least, Walk or Walks, or Avenue to a House, or any Piece of Ground planted or set apart as a Nursery for Trees; and also to construct, erect, set up, make, and do all and every or any other Works, Matters, and Things whatsoever which they the said Corporation shall think requisite and necessary or convenient for the making, completing, or repairing, improving, carrying on, maintaining, and using the said Channel, Docks, and other Works, in pursuance of and within the true Intent and Meaning of this Act; and such reasonable Satisfaction for raising, digging, taking, and carrying away of Earth or other Materials for the Purpose of this Act shall be made to the Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers of such Lands, for the Damages he, she, or they shall thereby sustain, as shall be agreed upon between the said Corporation and the respective Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers of such Lands and Grounds; and if such Owner or Owners, or Occupier or Occupiers cannot agree with the said Corporation concerning the Amount of such Damages, then the same shall be assessed, adjudged, and finally determined by a Jury, to be summoned and impannelled in such Manner as has been hereinbefore appointed in Cases when the Purchase Money, Satisfaction, Recompence, or other Compensation offered by the said Corporation for any Lands taken or used for the Purposes of this Act, or injured or damaged, shall not be accepted by the Parties entitled to or interested therein, and all Provisions, Clauses, Powers, and Authorities hereinbefore appointed and established for the summoning and impannelling of such Jury shall be alike valid and applicable, and the Verdict of any such Jury shall be alike valid, binding, and obligatory, to all Intents and Purposes.

Empowering Messrs. Dunbar and Holmes to make Passage from new Cut to their Docks; and Corporation to make Bridges.

LXXVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said *John Gilmore Dunbar* and *Henry Joy Holmes*, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, at their own Costs and Charges, at any Time or Times hereafter to cut, make, and maintain, through and over the Ground which may be taken for the said Roads, Quays, and Wharfs on each Side of the said new intended Cut or Channel, One Passage or Entrance not exceeding the Breadth of Fifty Feet, to the Intent that Ships, Barges, and other Vessels may safely and conveniently enter into and go out of the said intended Cut or Channel from and into any Dock or Docks which the said *John Gilmore Dunbar* and *Henry Joy Holmes* shall or may construct within their said Ground and Tenements; and such Passages and

Entrances, not to exceed Two, shall be well and substantially made with proper and durable Brick or Stone Walls and Piers; and it shall and may be lawful to and for the said *John Gilmore Dunbar* and *Henry Joy Holmes*, their Heirs and Assigns, and all Persons employed by them, and all Persons navigating with their Licence or Authority into or out of any such Dock or Docks, to use the Piers of such Passage or Entrance in such Manner as may be necessary to the safe and convenient Passage of Ships and Vessels to and from any such Dock or Docks, and for that Purpose to attach any Rings thereto, or to erect One or more Capstans or other mechanical Engines thereon, but not to land Goods or Passengers without the Licence or Authority of the said Corporation; and the said Corporation shall and may, if they think proper so to do, build, erect, and keep up, over any such Passage or Entrance, and also over the Entrance of the *Milewater* River, a good and sufficient Draw, Swing, or other Bridge or Bridges, to the Intent that Ships and Vessels may conveniently navigate such Passage and Entrance without preventing the Passage of Goods or Persons across the same at convenient Times; and in case any Difference or Dispute shall arise touching the Construction of any such Passage or Entrance, Bridge or Bridges, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation to nominate and appoint an Engineer, and for the said *John Gilmore Dunbar* and *Henry Joy Holmes*, their Executors, Administrators, Heirs, and Assigns, to appoint another Engineer, which Two Engineers so appointed shall and may, if need be, appoint an Umpire, and such Two Engineers so appointed, or their Umpire, shall and may settle and determine the Plan of the Construction of such Passage or Entrance, Bridge or Bridges; and the Award and Determination of such Engineers, or their Umpire, of and concerning the Matters in difference, shall be binding and conclusive on all the said Parties to all Intents and Purposes.

Power to lay Buoys, &c.

LXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall and may lay or place, or cause to be laid, made, or placed, such Buoy or Buoys, Mooring Craft, Dolphin or Dolphins, in the Harbour of *Belfast*, and make or cause to be made such Sluices, Locks, Flood Gates, Engines, Machines, Pipes, Bridges, Roads, and other Works, Requisites, Matters, and Things, in or upon or leading to or communicating with the said intended Docks, Locks, Basins, Cuts, or other Works, or any of them, in or near the said Harbour, as they shall from Time to Time deem necessary, for the more convenient Use thereof or any of them, and erect such Dams, Coffer Dams, and other Devices and Things within the Tideway of the said River or Harbour, as may be found necessary or proper, during such Time or Times as any of the said Works respectively shall be making, altering, and repairing, and from Time to Time and at all Times hereafter shall also well and sufficiently amend, repair, maintain, support, and cleanse such Docks, Basins, Sluices, Locks, Flood Gates, Engines, Machines, Pipes, Bridges, and other Works, Matters, and Things respectively.

Corporation to build good and substantial Bridges, &c.;

LXXIX. And whereas it may be necessary and expedient for the Convenience and Accommodation of the Public to make and build Draw, Swing, or other Bridges over the Entrances into the said Docks, for Carriages, Horses, and Passengers, and to level, raise, or lower Roads,

Roads, Grounds, or Avenues leading thereto; be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, and they are hereby directed and required, on making the said Entrances, where the same shall be a public Way or Thoroughfare, to make and build such good and substantial Draw or other Bridges for Carriages and Passengers, over the said intended Entrances or any of them, and at such other Places as they shall deem necessary, and to keep the same in good and substantial Repair, and to raise, level, or sink the Highways adjoining to the said Bridges, and to fence the same with Rails, Posts, or Banks where necessary or required; and the said Corporation and their Successors shall be liable to be indicted for not making and keeping at all Times in substantial Repair the said Draw or other Bridges so to be made and maintained, and shall be further liable to pay the Costs of every such Prosecution, upon Conviction, in case it shall be proved upon Oath that the Commissioners of Police of the said Town of *Belfast* shall have made a Requisition in Writing for such Repairs Fourteen Days previous to the Commencement of such Prosecution.

Perches to be fixed at each Side of the Channel.

LXXX. And be it enacted, That the said Corporation shall fix and place, or cause to be fixed and placed, at proper Distances, on both Sides of the Channel of the said Harbour, good, substantial, and conspicuous Perches for the Direction of Shipping, the same to extend from *Garmoyle* aforesaid to the said Quay of *Belfast*, and shall keep up and maintain the said Perches, under the Penalty of forfeiting for every Neglect therein any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Haven Masters may cause any Vessel to be moored where most convenient to lie.

LXXXI. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Haven Masters or any of them to order and cause to be placed or removed Ships or Vessels within the said Harbour where such Ships or Vessels can more conveniently moor or lie, or ought to lie; and in case the Master or Owner of any Ship or Vessel shall refuse to remove as aforesaid, and shall not remove for the Space of One Hour next after receiving such Order from the said Haven Masters or any of them, it shall and may be lawful for the said Haven Masters or any of them to hire and employ proper Persons to remove such Ship or Vessel to such Part or Place in the said Harbour as the said Haven Masters or any of them shall appoint; and the Expence or Hire of such Persons so to be employed in the said Service shall be paid and borne by the said Master or Owner of the said Ship or Vessel, together with a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds as a Fine or Penalty, to be recovered as herein-after directed, and be paid before a Clearance or Discharge shall be allowed or granted for such Ship or Vessel; and the said Haven Masters or any of them shall and may and they are hereby empowered, in Cases of urgent Necessity, and for preventing the Loss of any Ship or Vessel, to cut the Rope or Cable of any other Ship or Vessel lying within the said Port or Harbour of *Belfast*, not being any of His Majesty's Ships of War, or employed in the Service of His Majesty's Revenue, which shall obstruct the Navigation or endanger the Safety of any other Vessel; and the said Haven Master and every of them is and are hereby also empowered to remove Timber in Rafts floating upon any Part of the said Harbour, where it may appear that the same may in any Manner obstruct or impede the free Navigation of Ships and Vessels

in the said Harbour, and to remove Wrecks and all other Obstructions and Impediments in the said Navigation, which may from Time to Time be in or upon the said Harbour; and the Expence of removing such Timber, Wrecks, and other Obstructions shall be paid by the Owner or Owners of the Timber, Wrecks, or other Matters causing such Obstruction or Obstructions as aforesaid; and in case such Owner or Owners shall refuse to pay the same, or if no such Owner or Owners shall appear, then the Haven Masters or Haven Master are and is hereby directed to report the same to the said Corporation; and the said Corporation is hereby empowered thereupon to issue their Warrant empowering such Haven Masters or Haven Master to sell by Public Cant such Timber, Wrecks, or other Matters, or any of them, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to pay the Expences of removing the same as aforesaid; and after paying and defraying such Expence the said Haven Masters or Haven Master shall return the Overplus of the Money arising by such Sale, if any, to such Person or Persons as shall appear to be the Owners or Owner of such Timber, Wrecks, or other Matters respectively.

Penalty for not having Buoys to the Anchors of Vessels.

LXXXII. And be it enacted, That if the Master or Commander of any Ship or Vessel which shall cast Anchor within the said Harbour shall not immediately on so doing tie or fasten, or cause to be tied or fastened, a Buoy to such Anchor, in such Manner as that the said Buoy shall float in a conspicuous Manner, so as that it may be plainly and easily seen in what Place such Anchor has been cast, such Master or Commander shall for every such Offence or Neglect forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, and shall, over and besides the same, forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Pounds for every Hour such Anchor shall remain after Notice shall have been given without such Buoy being tied or fastened thereto as aforesaid: Provided always, that the enforcing of the said Penalties shall not in any Manner affect any Remedy which any Person or Persons shall or may have by Action or otherwise against such Master or Commander, for any Damage or Injury which may be done to such Person or Persons by means of such Neglect as aforesaid.

Punishing Persons who cast Ashes or Dirt into Harbour.

LXXXIII. And be it enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall cast any Ashes, Dirt, Filth, or Rubbish into the said Harbour, or into any Sewer or Stream that empties itself therein, every such Person shall forfeit for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Docks to be enclosed with a Wall if necessary.

LXXXIV. And be it further enacted, That the said Dock or Docks, together with the Quays, Wharfs, and Warehouses to be made and built upon or near the Banks thereof, shall (if the said Corporation at any public Meeting so order) be surrounded and enclosed by a strong and durable Brick or Stone Wall not less than Fourteen Feet high on all Sides, leaving only proper Spaces in such Walls for the Cuts and other Entrances in such Docks, and for the proper and necessary Gateways through the said Wall.

Sewers may be stopped up, and others made in lieu thereof.

LXXXV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Corporation to cause all or any Sewers and Drains which shall be in or near the intended Situation of the said Quays or Docks, or any of the Basins or other Works which shall belong thereto, to be filled or stopped

stopped up, arched over, widened, or otherwise altered, as they shall think necessary, for making and completing the same Quays, Docks, Basins, and other Works, so that they the said Corporation do and shall at the same Time make and build, and they are hereby authorized and required to make and build, in lieu of the said Sewers and Drains so to be filled or stopped up, other good Sewers and Drains, of sufficient Depth and Width for carrying off all the Water from the Lands and Premises adjoining or near the said Works, and as serviceable and convenient in all respects as the Sewers or Drains so to be filled or stopped up.

Quays and Wharfs to be Legal Quays.

LXXXVI. And be it further enacted, That the Quays and Wharfs which shall be built under the Authority of this Act shall, as soon as the same shall have been approved of by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer for the Time being, at all Times hereafter, be deemed and taken, and are hereby declared to be, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, Legal Quays and Wharfs for the landing and relanding, discharging, lading, and shipping of any Goods, Merchandize, and Things whatsoever; any Law or Statute or any Usage or Custom to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Corporation may contract for Ballast, Materials, &c.

LXXXVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful to and for the said Corporation from Time to Time to contract for, with, or purchase, from any Person or Persons willing to supply the same, all such Stone, Sand, Gravel, or other Materials as shall or may be necessary or useful for the ballasting of Vessels coming into the said Port or Harbour, although the same shall not be raised in the said Harbour; and it shall also be lawful for the said Corporation, their Servants, Agents, and Workmen, to bore, dig, trench, raise, remove, take, and carry away, in, upon, through, from, and out of any Lands or Grounds in the Parishes of *Hollywood*, *Knockbreda*, or *Ballymacarett*, in the County of *Down*, the Parishes of *Shankil* or *Belfast* in the County of *Antrim*, and the Parish of *Carrickfergus* in the County of the Town of *Carrickfergus*, or any of them, (not being a Garden, Yard, Paddock, Park, or Field inclosed with a Wall made of Lime Mortar, Stone or Brick, of the Height of Six Feet, planted Walk or Walks, Pleasure Grounds, Lawn or Lawns, or Avenue to any House, or any Piece or Parcel of Ground set apart or used as a Plantation or Nursery for Trees,) any Earth, Clay, Stones, Gravel, Sand, Rubbish, Roots of Trees, or other Matters or Things which may be proper or necessary for making, carrying, or extending, completing, maintaining, or repairing any Quays, Docks, Sluices, Valves, Tunnels, Feeders, Aqueducts, and Channels for conveying Water to or from such Docks, Basins, and other Works to be made by virtue of this Act, or any of them, through such Lands and Grounds, or which may hinder, obstruct, or prevent the making, using, completing, extending, or maintaining the said Works respectively, and to lay any Stones, Timber, Iron, Earth, Bricks, Clay, or any other Materials, Matters, or Things to be used on or about the same upon any of the adjoining Lands, making Satisfaction and Compensation to the Owners or Occupiers of all such Lands or Grounds respectively for all Damages done thereto, in such Manner as is herein-before directed.

LXXXVIII. And

Dock Master may dismantle Vessels, &c.

LXXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That every Dock Master shall have full Power and Authority to order all Ships and Vessels entering the said Docks, Locks, Cuts, and Basins, or any of them, to be dismantled in such Manner as he may think proper and safe for the Vessels entering the said Docks, Locks, Cuts, and Basins, and for the Prevention of Accidents or Mischiefs to other Ships, Lighters, Crafts, or other Vessels, or to the said Docks, Locks, Cuts, and Basins; and during the Time of every Ship's delivering, or when discharged of her Cargo, to have such Quantity of Ballast on board, or dead Weight in her Hold, as he may judge requisite for such Ship or Vessel; and if the said Corporation shall think fit so to declare, no Ship or Vessel shall be allowed to enter the said Docks, Locks, Channels, Cuts, and Basins, or any of them, unless she shall be so dismantled, and such Ship or Vessel shall not be unladen so far as to render her insecure through the Want of Weight in her Hold, or such Quantity of Ballast on board as the said Dock Master or Dock Masters may think expedient; and every such Dock Master shall also have full Power and Authority to give Directions for topping, bracing, or striking Yards and Masts, taking in running Bowsprits, and for having substantial Hawsers and Towlines, and Fasts to the Dolphin, Mooring Craft, Buoys, or Mooring Posts, and also to regulate the Equipment, Rigging, and Lading of all Ships and Vessels in the said Docks, Locks, Basins, or Cuts, or any of them, as he shall think necessary; and in case he shall judge the Rigging, Lading, or Equipment of any Ship or Vessel injurious to the Safety of such Ship or Vessel, or to other Ships or Vessels in or entering or departing from the said Docks, or to the said Docks or Works, to give Notice to the Master or other Person having the Charge or Command of such Ship or Vessel to discontinue and alter the same; and in case such Master or other Person shall not act according to such Direction as aforesaid, immediately after Notice given to him or them, or some Person or Persons on board the said Ship or Vessel, for that Purpose, or if any Ship, Lighter, Craft, or Vessel shall be left in the said Dock or Docks, Basin or Basins, Lock or Locks, Channel or Cuts, without any Person or Persons on board, every such Master or other Person having the Command of such Ship or Vessel, or the Owner or Owners thereof, shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds; and the Owner or Owners of such Ship or Vessel shall also be answerable for all the Injury that may be sustained by any other Ships or Vessels, or by the said Corporation.

Combustibles not to remain on Quays, &c.

LXXXIX. And be it further enacted, That if the Owner or Owners of, or the Person or Persons in or to whose Custody or Charge any Tar, Pitch, Rosin, Hemp, Flax, Faggots, Furze, Brandy, or other Spirituous Liquors, Turpentine, Oil, Hay, Straw, Tallow, Grease, Shavings of Wood, or any other combustible Matter or Thing whatsoever, shall be intrusted, shall permit or suffer the same or any of them, or any Part thereof respectively, to be and remain on the Quays and Wharfs aforesaid, or any Part thereof, or upon the Deck of any Ship, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Vessel in the said Basins, Docks, Cuts, or other Works, or any of them, above the Space of Twelve Hours after he or they shall have been required by the Dock Master or Dock Masters, by Notice in Writing, to take away or remove the same therefrom, then and in every such Case every such

such Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Ten Shillings for every Hour such Tar, Pitch, Rosin, Hemp, Flax, Faggots, Furze, Brandy or other Spirituous Liquors, Turpentine, Oil, Hay, Straw, Tallow, Grease, Shavings of Wood, or any other combustible Matter or Thing, or any of them, or any Part thereof, shall be or remain in the Place or Situation aforesaid, after the Expiration of the said Twelve Hours, such Twelve Hours to be computed from the Time of such Requisition; and in every such Case the Owner or Owners of or other Person or Persons in or to whose Custody or Charge any such Tar, Pitch, Rosin, Hemp, Flax, Faggots, Furze, Brandy or other Spirituous Liquors, Turpentine, Oil, Hay, Straw, Tallow, Grease, Shavings of Wood, or other combustible Matter or Thing, shall be or be intrusted, if the same respectively shall be or be lying on the said Quays or Wharfs, or any of them, or the Master or other Person having the Charge or Command of the Ship, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Vessel on the Deck of which the same shall respectively be, shall at their own Costs and Charges respectively maintain a sufficient Number of careful and sober Persons, to be in that Behalf appointed by the said Dock Master or Dock Masters, to guard and watch such several Articles or other combustible Matters or Things as aforesaid, from or after the making of such Requisition until the same respectively shall be removed; and in case any such Owner, Master, or other Person or Persons as aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to pay such Costs and Charges on Demand, then and in such Case such Costs and Charges shall and may be ascertained by any Justice or Justices for the County of *Antrim*, and be raised, levied, and recovered in like Manner as any Penalty is recoverable by this Act.

Pitch, Tar, &c. not to be burned except in Places appointed.

XC. And be it further enacted, That no Pitch, Tar, Rosin, Turpentine, Oil, or other combustible Matter shall at any Time hereafter be boiled or heated by any Device or Means whatsoever on board any Ship or other Vessel, Lighter, Craft, or Boat lying at the said Quays, or in the said Docks or Dock, Basin or Basins, Channel, Cuts, or other Works, or any of them, or in any Place or Places within the said Docks, Basins, Cuts, Works, or Premises, except such Place or Places and in such Manner as shall be specially appointed by the said Corporation for that Purpose; nor shall any Gunpowder or loaded Gun whatever be brought into the said Docks, Basins, or Cuts, or be suffered to remain on board any Ship or other Vessel, upon pain that every Master, Commander, or Owner of every Ship or Vessel so offending shall forfeit for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Fires, &c. not to be lighted in Docks.

XCI. And for more effectually preventing Accidents by Fire in the said Quays, Docks, Works, and Premises, be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall have or keep, or cause to be had or kept, any Fire, Candle, or Lamp lighted within any of the said Docks, or of the Basins or other Works which shall belong thereto, or on board any Ship or Vessel in such Docks or Basins respectively, at any Time or Times whatsoever save and except such Fires or lighted Candles or Lamps as shall be necessary to be used in the making, building, finishing, repairing, altering, or improving of the said Docks, Basins, and other Works, or any of them, and save and

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except Candles in Lanterns, and Fire for the Machinery of Steam Vessels, at such Times as shall be permitted by the Special Orders and Regulations of the said Corporation, given in Writing in that Behalf, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Penalty for injuring Works.

XCII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall wilfully and maliciously demolish, break down, cut, or injure any of the Works to be made by virtue of this Act, or any Ship or Vessel lying in or at any of the said Quays, Docks, Basins, or other Works, then and in every such Case every such Person, being convicted thereof, shall be deemed guilty of and suffer the like Pains and Penalties as in Cases of Misdemeanour.

Penalty for destroying Ropes.

XCIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall wilfully and maliciously cut, break, or in any Manner destroy any Rope or other Thing by which any Ship or other Vessel lying in any of the said Docks or Basins, or Port and Harbour, shall be moored or fastened, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall hinder or restrain the said Dock Master or Dock Masters to be appointed in pursuance of this Act, or any of them, or his or their Assistant or Assistants, from exercising, in a due and reasonable Manner, any of the Authorities hereby vested in him or them respectively.

Corporation may license Pilots.

XCIV. And in order that a sufficient Number of skilful Pilots may be appointed to take charge of Ships or Vessels trading to the said Port, and that proper Persons may be appointed to regulate the placing of such Ships or Vessels as shall be therein, and to prevent the Frauds and Abuses committed by Persons employed in Lighters within the said Port, and that the Conduct of such Pilots and other Persons so to be appointed may be properly regulated; be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation, and they are hereby required, from Time to Time, to license and appoint, during their Will and Pleasure, such Number of skilful Pilots for the Purpose aforesaid as may be necessary, at and under such yearly Wages and Salaries as shall be by the said Corporation agreed on; and the said Corporation may and they are hereby required to appoint and authorize a proper Person to be Pilot Master within the said Port or Harbour, which said Pilot Master shall continue in his Office during the Will and Pleasure of the said Corporation, at and under the yearly Wages and Salaries to be ascertained by the said Corporation to be paid to such Pilot Master; and the said Pilot Master shall, as the Duty and Business for which such his Salary is to be paid to him, superintend the Conduct of the several Pilots to be appointed as aforesaid, and from Time to Time report the same to the said Corporation.

Penalty on unlicensed Persons offering to pilot any Vessel.

XCV. And be it further enacted, That every Person offering himself as Pilot to any Ship or Vessel off or in the said Harbour shall declare whether he be duly appointed and licensed by the said Corporation to act as Pilot pursuant to the Directions of this Act; and if

if any Person so offering himself, and not licensed, shall at the Time or Times he shall so offer himself as Pilot declare himself to be so authorized and appointed as aforesaid, every such Person shall for such Offence forfeit to the said Corporation the Sum of Forty Shillings.

If no licensed Pilot offers, Master may take any other Person, &c.

XCVI. And be it enacted, That if it shall happen that a Pilot licensed as aforesaid shall not appear alongside of and offer himself to any Ship or Vessel coming from Sea into the said Harbour, before such Ship or Vessel shall arrive in that Part of the said Harbour called *White House Road*, or during such Time as such Ship or Vessel shall be in the said Part of the said Harbour called *White House Road*, then and in such Case it shall and may be lawful to and for any Person whom the Master or Commander of the said Ship or Vessel shall think proper to appoint, though not a licensed Pilot, to take charge and care of the said Ship or Vessel as Pilot thereof; and no Pilotage shall be paid by the Master or Commander of such Ship or Vessel to the said Corporation; and if it shall happen that the Master or Commander of any Ship or Vessel going from *Garmoyle* to the Sea, or to the Quay of *Belfast*, or from the Quay of *Belfast* to *Garmoyle*, shall demand or require from the said Ballast Office a Pilot licensed as aforesaid to pilot and conduct such Vessel, and a Pilot licensed as aforesaid shall not appear alongside of such Ship or Vessel within Twenty-four Hours after a Demand or Requisition in Writing shall have been made at the said Ballast Office, then and in that Case it shall and may be lawful to and for any Person whom the Master or Commander of the said Ship or Vessel shall think proper to appoint, though not a licensed Pilot, to take charge or care of the said Ship or Vessel; and no Pilotage shall be paid by the Master or Commander of such Ship or Vessel to the said Corporation.

Licensed Pilot neglecting his Duty to pay a Penalty.

XCVII. And be it enacted, That if any such licensed Pilot as aforesaid, who shall go on board any Ship or Vessel going into or coming out of the said Harbour for the Purpose of piloting the same, shall wilfully or in any Manner neglect or refuse to perform his Duty in piloting such Vessel, so as to cause any unnecessary Delay or Injury to such Ship or Vessel, and shall be thereof convicted on the Oaths of Two or more credible Witnesses before the Chief Magistrate of the said Town of *Belfast*, or any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Antrim*, such Pilot shall for every such Offence forfeit such Sum as such Chief Magistrate or Justice of the Peace shall think fit, not exceeding Five Pounds.

Yearly Sums may be allowed to superannuated Pilots.

XCVIII. And in order to enable the said Corporation to give due and sufficient Encouragement to Persons acting as Pilots as aforesaid to be active and diligent in their Duties as such, be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation to appoint any yearly Sum or Sums of Money to be paid to such superannuated or sickly Pilots as they shall think proper, and to the Widow or Widows of any Pilots who shall have been drowned or lost in the Discharge of his or their Duty as such, provided all such Sums together shall not exceed in the whole One hundred Pounds in any One Year; and also from Time to Time to grant and pay any Pilot or Pilots any Sum or Sums of Money they shall think such Pilot or Pilots may deserve

for any extraordinary Service performed by them; all which Sums shall be paid out of the Payments, Rates, Duties, and Revenues which shall arise by this Act.

Rates of Pilotage.

XCIX. And be it further enacted, That the Master, Commander, Owner or Owners, Consignee or Consignees of every Ship or Vessel coming into the Port, Harbour, or River of *Belfast* from Sea, or going out of the same to Sea, shall for every such Ship or Vessel not being in His Majesty's Service, nor in Ballast only, pay or cause to be paid, as and for Pilotage, to the aforesaid Ballast Master, at the Ballast Office of the said Port of *Belfast*, on the said Vessel entering the said Port, a Rate or Sum proportioned to the Tonnage of such Vessels, not exceeding the several Sums of Money set down in the Figures in the Column opposite the Tonnage thereof, as hereinafter mentioned, and shall likewise pay on going out of the said Port a like Rate or Sum: Provided always, that the Master or Commander of a Vessel in Ballast only, may at his own Expence employ a Pilot if he think proper:

RATES OF PILOTAGE.

Registered Tonnage.	No. 1. Vessels not having British Registers, arriving from or sailing on a foreign Voyage.	No. 2. Vessels with British Register arriving from or sailing on a foreign Voyage.	No. 3. Vessels, not Steamers, trading to or from a Port in the United Kingdom.	No. 4. Vessels, being Steamers.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
30 and under 40	0 16 0	0 12 0	0 8 0	0 4 0
40 —— 50	1 0 0	0 15 0	0 10 0	0 5 0
50 —— 60	1 4 0	0 18 0	0 12 0	0 6 0
60 —— 70	1 8 0	1 1 0	0 14 0	0 7 0
70 —— 80	1 12 0	1 4 0	0 16 0	0 8 0
80 —— 90	1 16 0	1 7 0	0 18 0	0 9 0
90 —— 100	2 0 0	1 10 0	1 0 0	0 10 0
100 —— 110	2 4 0	1 13 0	1 2 0	0 11 0
110 —— 120	2 8 0	1 16 0	1 4 0	0 12 0
120 —— 130	2 12 0	1 19 0	1 6 0	0 13 0
130 —— 140	2 16 0	2 2 0	1 8 0	0 15 0
140 —— 150	3 0 0	2 5 0	1 10 0	0 17 0
150 —— 160	3 4 0	2 8 0	1 12 0	0 19 0
160 —— 175	3 8 0	2 11 0	1 14 0	1 1 0
175 —— 200	3 12 0	2 14 0	1 16 0	1 3 0
200 —— 225	3 16 0	2 17 0	1 18 0	1 5 6
225 —— 250	4 0 0	3 0 0	2 0 0	1 8 0
250 —— 275	4 4 0	3 3 0	2 2 0	1 10 6
275 —— 300	4 8 0	3 6 0	2 4 0	1 13 0
300 —— 325	4 12 0	3 9 0	2 6 0	1 15 6
325 —— 350	4 16 0	3 12 0	2 8 0	1 18 0
350 —— 375	5 0 0	3 15 0	2 10 0	2 0 6
375 —— 400	5 8 0	4 1 0	2 14 0	2 3 0
400 and upwards	6 0 0	4 10 0	3 0 0	2 5 6

Provided always, that Vessels coming into the said Harbour from Stress of Weather or contrary Winds, and Vessels not coming nearer the Quays than the Pool of *Garmoyle*, shall pay One Half only of the respective Rates above mentioned.

C. And

Tonnage Dues.

C. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, the following Rates and Harbour Dues, over and besides all Sum and Sums of Money payable for Ballast or Quayage, shall be paid at the Office of the said Corporation, to such Person or Persons as the said Corporation shall appoint to receive the same, by the Master, Owner or Owners, Consignee or Consignees of every Ship or Vessel, that is to say, for every Ship or Vessel coming into the said Harbour of *Belfast*, from any Port or Ports other than a Port in the United Kingdom, the Sum of Ten-pence for every Ton of the Burthen of such Ship or Vessel, and for every other Ship or Vessel the Sum of Sixpence for every Ton of the Burthen of the said Ship or Vessel; and the said several and respective Rates and Duties shall be paid on each and every Voyage that any such Vessel as aforesaid shall make to the said Harbour of *Belfast*, whether such Ship or Ships shall or shall not take in or put out Ballast in the said Harbour, and such Tonnage shall be computed in manner herein-after mentioned.

As to Vessels driven in by Stress of Weather, and to Colliers.

CI. And be it further enacted, That where any Vessel, through Stress of Weather or contrary Winds, be driven into the Pool of *Garmoyle*, she shall not be liable to any Tonnage Dues; and provided always, that all Colliers shall pay the same Proportion of Rate as before; that is to say, One Penny Farthing *per* Ton, and no more.

Duties received over 2d. per Ton to be applied to making the new Cut.

CII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall keep a separate and distinct Account of and set apart and constitute as a separate Fund so much of the Tonnage Duties payable under the Provisions of this Act, by every Ship or Vessel coming into the said Harbour of *Belfast*, as shall be received by the said Corporation over and above the Sum of Two-pence *per* Ton on the Tonnage of such Ships or Vessels; and such separate Fund shall be applied solely to the making and maintaining the intended new Cut and Channel, and the Improvement of the Navigation of the River *Lagan*, and also towards defraying the Expences of procuring and passing this Act.

Mode of ascertaining the Tonnage Rates.

CIII. And be it further enacted, That the Tonnage or Admeasurement of all Ships and Vessels which shall be liable to the Payment of any Tonnage Rates under this Act shall be ascertained according to the certified Tonnage in the Ship's Register; and the Master or other Person having the Command of each and every Ship or Vessel is hereby required to produce such Certificate of Registry at the Time of Payment of the said Rates to the Person or Persons who shall be duly authorized to collect and receive such Rates; and in case of any Dispute in or about the same, then and in such Case the Tonnage of such Ship or Vessel shall be ascertained in the Manner and according to the Directions of an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for registering* British *Vessels*.

6 G. 4. c. 110.

Quayage Rate.

CIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation, from Time to Time and at all Times hereafter,

hereafter, in addition to all other Duties and Rates whatsoever, to ask, demand, levy, take, and recover, as and for Quayage, of and from the Master or Masters, Owner or Owners of every Ship or Vessel which shall or may enter the said Port or Harbour, and in any Manner use the present or future Quays of the said Corporation, such reasonable Sum not exceeding Five-pence for each Ton of the registered Burthen of such Ship or Vessel, as the said Corporation shall fix for that Purpose, and also to ask, demand, levy, take, and recover, of and from the Owner or Owners, Consignee or Consignees of any Cattle, Goods, Wares, or Merchandize, except Coals, which shall or may be shipped on board of or unladen out of any Ship or Vessel upon such Quays, such other reasonable Sum, not exceeding Three-pence *per* Ton, as the said Corporation shall fix for that Purpose.

Moiety of Duty only to be paid for a certain Period.

CV. And be it further enacted, that one Moiety only of the Tonnage or Harbour Dues by this Act imposed, above the Sum of Two-pence *per* Ton now payable by virtue of the said recited Act, shall be received, recovered, or levied by the said Corporation, until Ships and Vessels drawing Fourteen Feet Water can come up to the Quays of the said Town of *Belfast* through the new Cut or Channel proposed to be made by the said Corporation: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to reduce the Rates for Quayage, Pilotage, or Ballast, the entire of which may be charged, recovered, and levied.

Rates on Goods.

CVI. And be it further enacted, That over and above the Tonnage Duty hereinbefore authorized to be taken on Ships or Vessels entering and using the said Harbour, it shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation, by and with the Consent of the major Part of the Persons qualified by this Act to vote at the Election of a Member of the said Corporation, present at a General Meeting for that Purpose convened by public Advertisement, to demand, take, receive, and levy, on all Ships, Vessels, or Craft entering and using any Quays, Dock, or Basin constructed or to be constructed under the Authority of this Act, the several Rates and Duties specified in the Schedule of Rates to this Act annexed, such Rates to be taken and levied for and on all Goods, Wares, Merchandize, and Commodities whatsoever imported or exported, except Coals, according to the said Schedule, of and from the Owner or Owners, Consignee or Consignees of such Goods, Wares, Merchandize, or other Commodities imported or exported in any Ship or Vessel entering and using any such Quays, Dock, or Basin; provided always, that all Goods, Wares, Merchandize, and Commodities which are not particularized and set forth in the said Schedule of Rates shall be charged and chargeable with and shall pay a Rate or Duty equal to the Rate or Duty rated and affixed on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize of a similar Nature, Package, and Quality, in and by the said Schedule of Rates.

Penalty on evading Rates.

CVII. And be it further enacted, That if any Master, Owner or Owners, or other Person or Persons having the Charge or Command of any Ship or other Vessel, or any Owner or Owners, Consignee or Consignees, or any other Person or Persons owning or having charge of any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize imported into the said Port from

from Parts beyond the Seas, or exported or intended to be exported from said Harbour, shall by any Means whatsoever, at any Time or Times, elude or evade the Payment of the Rates or Duties hereby or by any former Act made payable, or any Part thereof, each and every Person eluding or evading Payment thereof as aforesaid shall stand charged with and forfeit and pay a Sum equal to Treble the Rates or Duties so eluded and evaded; and such Sum shall be recovered from such Master, Owner or Owners, Consignee or Consignees, or other Person or Persons respectively, by the same Ways and Means and in such Manner as are hereafter directed for levying and recovering Penalties and Forfeitures.

Duties not specified in Schedule to be rated.

CVIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation to ascertain and fix such reasonable Duties to be paid upon the lading or unlading, importing or exporting of any Commodity or Article not specified or enumerated in the Table or Schedule hereto annexed, in proportion to the several Duties therein specified, as they shall think fit, so as no such Duty shall exceed One Fourth of the Freight payable thereon respectively on being imported or exported into or from the said Port; which Duties, when so ascertained and fixed by the said Corporation, shall be considered to all Intents and Purposes as if the same had been specially enumerated in this Act, or in the said Schedule or Table hereto annexed.

Duties may be varied.

CIX. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Corporation from Time to Time to reduce all or any of the Rates imposed by this Act, and again, and as often as they shall think proper, to raise the same to any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding the respective Rates by this Act imposed; and such advanced or lowered Rates shall be collected, recovered, and applied in such and the same Manner as the Rates herein mentioned are directed to be recovered, collected, and applied.

Every Master, &c. of any Vessel to produce Registers, Manifests, &c. to Collector when required; and in case of Refusal to forfeit 5*l.*

CX. And be it further enacted, That every Master or Owner or other Person having the Charge or Command at the Time of any Ship or Vessel liable to pay any of the Rates hereby imposed shall, whenever required by the Ballast Master or other Receiver or Collector of the said Rates, produce and shew, or cause to be produced and shewn, to such Receiver or Collector, the Register of such Vessels and other Documents relating to the Appointment of such Master or other Person, or to the Ownership of such Ship or Vessel; and in case such Master, Owner, or other Person shall upon such Requisition refuse to produce or shew to such Ballast Master, Receiver or Collector, such Registers and other Documents as aforesaid, he or they shall for every such Refusal forfeit and pay Five Pounds.

Ships to be reported on arriving in the Harbour.

CXI. And be it further enacted, That every Master or Owner or other Person having the Charge or Command at the Time of any Ship or Vessel which shall arrive in the said Harbour, and liable to pay any of the Duties hereby imposed, shall in every Case make his Report of such Ship or Vessel and of her Cargo, and from whence she came, to the Harbour Master for the Time being of the said

Harbour, or to such other Person as the said Corporation shall appoint for that Purpose, within Six Hours next after her Arrival within the said Harbour; and in all Cases where the Cargo of any such Ship or Vessel as aforesaid, or any Part thereof, shall consist of any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize, every such Master, Owner, or other Person having such Charge or Command as aforesaid, shall and he is hereby required, within Six Hours after such Ship, Vessel, or Cargo shall be so reported, to deliver or cause to be delivered, in Writing, to the Ballast Master, Receiver or Collector, or to such other Person as the Corporation shall appoint for the Receipt thereof, a true, full, and particular Account to the best of his Knowledge of the several Goods, Wares, and Merchandize of which such Cargo shall be composed or consist, and of all separate and small Parcels thereof, and the Name or Names of the respective Persons to whom they are consigned, and shall also (if required thereto) give due Notice in Writing of the Time appointed for the Delivery of such Cargo; and in case any such Master, Owner, or other Person as aforesaid shall refuse or neglect to make such Report, or to deliver such Account within the respective Times and in the Manner hereinbefore directed, or to give such Notice when required thereto, or shall wilfully or knowingly give a false Statement, or do any other Act whereby the Payment of the said Duties shall be avoided, he shall for every such Neglect or Refusal, or false Statement, forfeit and pay Ten Pounds over and above the Duties payable for such Goods, Wares, and Merchandize.

Masters and Agents of Vessels loading to deliver an Account of Cargo.

CXII. And be it further enacted, That every Master, Owner, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship or Vessel in the said Harbour shall give to the Ballast Master, Receiver or Collector, or any other Person appointed to receive the said Duties, a just Account in Writing, signed by the Person or Persons sending or consigning such Goods and other Things as shall be embarked in each such Ship or Vessel, or by his or their Clerk or Agent, which Account shall contain a Statement of the Quantities and Weight of such Goods and other Things, and of their Nature, Sort, or Kind, which shall be embarked in each such Ship or Vessel, from whence brought, and where the same is intended to be sent; and if the Goods or other Things contained in any Ship or Vessel shall be liable to the Payment of different Duties, then such Account shall specify the Quantities liable to the Payment of each of the said Duties; and in case the Master, Owner, or other Person having the Charge or Command of such Ship or Vessel shall neglect or refuse to give such Account, or shall willfully or knowingly give a false Account, or do any other Act whereby the Payment of the said Duties or any Part thereof shall be avoided, or shall charge in respect of the said Duties more than shall actually have been paid for the same, or if the Person or Persons sending or consigning such Goods or other Things, or his or their Clerk or Agent, shall sign a false Account thereof, or shall refuse to give such Receiver or Collector (when required thereto) an Account of the Charge made in respect of the said Duties by the Master or Owner of the Ship or Vessel containing the same, every Person so offending shall forfeit and pay Ten Pounds over and above the said Duties.

CXIII. And

Officers of Customs may refuse to give a Cocquet for Clearance until Harbour Duties are paid.

CXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Collector or other proper Officer of His Majesty's Customs within the said Harbour, and he and they is and are hereby authorized, with the Permission of the principal Officers of His Majesty's Customs, to refuse to receive any Entry, or give or make any Cocquet or other Discharge or Clearance, or to take any Report Inwards or Outwards for any Ship or other Vessel whatever subject and liable to the Payment of the Duties imposed by this Act, until the said Duties shall be paid to the Collector or Collectors appointed to receive the same, and until a Receipt, under the Hand of the said Collector or Collectors of the said Duties, shall be produced to the said Collector or other proper Officer of His Majesty's Customs.

Persons eluding the Payment of Duties to continue chargeable with them.

CXIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Master, Commander, or Owner or Part Owner of any Ship or other Vessel shall depart from the said Harbour without having first paid the Duties hereby imposed, or shall elude or avoid the Payment thereof by any Method whatsoever, every such Master, Commander, Owner or Part Owner of such Ship or Vessel, shall pay and forfeit for every such Offence, to the said Corporation, the Sum of Ten Pounds, over and above the Duties imposed by this Act.

Corporation may examine Persons liable to the Duties.

CXV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation, or any of them, from Time to Time, as often as they shall see Occasion, to summon and call before them, by Summons, at any Time and Place within the Town of *Belfast*, any Person or Persons then within the said Town, being the Owners, Part Owners, or Masters, or having the Command or Direction of any Ship or Vessel liable to pay any of the Duties hereby imposed, to examine and enquire of and concerning all or any Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, or other Matters or Things liable to the Payment of any of the Duties and Sums aforesaid, or otherwise, concerning the Execution of this Act, and whether all or any and what Part or Parts of such Duties and Sums of Money hath or have been paid or not paid, and when and by whom and to whom; and in case such Person or Persons, or any of them, so summoned as aforesaid, shall not appear at the Time and Place in such Summons mentioned, or appearing shall refuse or shall not answer and discover what he, she, or they respectively know and believe concerning the Matters examined or enquired into, he, she, or they and every of them shall forfeit for every such Non-appearance, Refusal, or not answering and discovering as aforesaid, the Sum of Twenty Pounds, together with Double Costs of Suit, to be recovered by Bill, Plaint, or Information, or by Action of Debt, in any Court of Record, wherein no Essoign, Protection, Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed, or upon Conviction in a summary Way before a Justice of the Peace.

Receiver may enter Ships and take Account of Duties.

CXVI. And to the end that the Duties by this Act imposed may be effectually levied and collected, be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Receiver or Collector of the Duties by this Act imposed, or any of them, or his or their Deputy, to enter, either alone or with any other Person or Persons for his or their Assistance,

Assistance, into or on board any Ship or Vessel within the said Harbour, and to demand, take account of, and inspect what Duty or Duties, whether as Harbour Duties or for Pilotage, Quayage, or Ballast, is or may be payable by virtue of this Act, for or in respect of any such Ship or Vessel, or of any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize on board such Ship or Vessel, and to demand, collect, and receive all and every such Duty or Duties; and in case any Duty by this Act imposed shall not be paid by the Master, Owner, or Part Owner, or by the Person having the Charge or Command of such Ship or Vessel, upon Demand thereof made by the said Receiver or Collector, then it shall and may be lawful to and for such Receiver or Collector to seize and distrain such Ship or Vessel, or any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize on board thereof, and all and every or any other Goods, Wares, or Merchandize of or belonging to the same Owner or Owners, Merchant or Merchants, Consignee or Consignees, which shall then or any Time afterwards come to or be found at or within the said Harbour, or upon any Wharf belonging or adjoining to the same respectively, and also all the Guns, Tackle, Furniture, and Apparel of or belonging to any Ship or Vessel within such Harbour; and in case of Neglect or Delay of or in the Payment of the said Duties or any Part thereof so payable and neglected or delayed to be paid, and for which such Distress or Distresses shall be taken as aforesaid, for the Space of Five Days next after such Distress or Distresses so taken, then and in every such Case it shall and may be lawful to and for such Receiver or Collector to sell the said Ship, Vessel, Goods, Wares, or Merchandize, Guns, Tackle, and Furniture, so distrained, or so much thereof as he or they shall deem necessary, and therewith to satisfy him or themselves, as well for the said Duties as for his and their reasonable Charges in taking, keeping, and selling such Distress or Distresses, rendering the Overplus (if any) to the Owner or Owners of the same, or to his or their Agent for the Use of such Owner or Owners, when he or they shall demand the same; and if any Master, Owner, Merchant, Consignee, Agent, or other Person shall not permit, or shall obstruct or hinder any Receiver or Collector or other Person or Persons employed by the said Corporation to enter or from entering on board any Ship, Vessel, Boat, or other Craft, to take an Account of and inspect what Duty may be payable by virtue of this Act, or for any Purpose authorized by this Act, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds, over and above the said Duties.

Lighters, &c. to be kept for raising Ballast.

CXVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall and they are hereby required to provide and keep from Time to Time a sufficient Number of Lighters or Gabbards, together with proper and sufficient Workmen, Tools, and Engines, for the raising Ballast in such Part or Parts of the said Harbour or River as shall be by them judged expedient, and shall furnish all Ships and Vessels wanting or requiring Ballast within the said Port with Ballast at the Rates herein-after mentioned, within Twenty-four Hours after Notice in Writing shall have been given so to do by the Commander or Master of any such Ship or other Vessel to the Person who shall from Time to Time act as Ballast Master under the said Corporation,

so as Wind and Weather shall permit the same to be done; and in case Wind and Weather shall not within such Twenty-four Hours permit the same to be done, then the said Corporation, or the proper Officer or Officers who shall act under the said Corporation for that Purpose, shall furnish or cause to be furnished such Ballast to such Ships or Vessels respectively within Twelve Hours after Wind and Weather shall permit them so to do.

No Lighter in Service of Ballast Office to carry Goods.

CXVIII. And be it enacted, That no Lighter or Lighters in the Service of the said Ballast Office shall at any Time carry any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize of any Sort to or from any Ship or Vessel in the said Port or River, on pain of forfeiting Treble the Value of the Gabberage or Portage of such Goods, Wares, or Merchandize to the Party that shall discover the same, to be recovered as herein-after directed.

Charge for Ballast.

CXIX. And be it enacted, That the Master or Commander of every Ship or Vessel belonging to *Great Britain* or *Ireland* or the *British* Plantations, that shall take in Ballast from the said Office within that Part of the said Harbour lying between the Pool of *Garmoyle* and the Bridge of *Belfast*, shall pay to the Officer who shall be appointed by the said Corporation to receive the same the Sum of Two Shillings for every Ton of such Ballast which shall be delivered; and for every Ton of Ballast delivered in the said Pool of *Garmoyle*, or below it towards the Sea, to any such Ship or Vessel belonging to *Great Britain* or *Ireland* or the *British* Plantations as aforesaid, there shall be paid the Sum of Two Shillings and Sixpence; and the Master or Commander of any Ship or Vessel belonging to *Great Britain* or *Ireland* or to the *British* Plantations, who shall put out Ballast within the said Port or Harbour, shall pay to the Officer who shall be appointed as aforesaid the Sum of Two Shillings for every Ton of such Ballast which shall be so put out; and the Master or Commander of every Foreign Ship that shall take in or put out Ballast as aforesaid shall pay One Third Part more than the Sum herein-before directed to be paid by Ships belonging to *Great Britain* or *Ireland* or the *British* Plantations: Provided always, that Coasting Vessels under Sixty Tons, and all Colliers, shall pay One Third less *per* Ton than the Sum herein-before directed to be paid by Ships belonging to *Great Britain* or *Ireland* or the *British* Plantations.

Ballast to be brought to the Side of the Vessel, and thrown in by the Crew.

CXX. And be it further enacted, That the said Ballast so to be furnished as aforesaid shall be brought to the Sides of the Ship or Vessel which shall have occasion for the same, in the Lighters or Gabbards to be provided and kept as aforesaid, and thence immediately thrown into such Ship or Vessel by the Crew of such Ship or Vessel.

Vessels may take in Ballast at Wharf.

CXXI. And be it enacted, That when and so soon as One or more Wharf or Wharfs shall be erected for the saving and stowing of Ballast, as hereinafter mentioned, and there shall be a sufficient Quantity of Ballast in and upon such Wharf or Wharfs for the supplying of any Ship or Vessel wanting the same, it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, or the Officer or Officers to be appointed by them

them for that Purpose, to order and direct, at their Discretion, any Ship or Vessel requiring Ballast as aforesaid (save only and except such Ships or Vessels as shall have discharged their Cargoes below such of the said Wharfs as shall be situated the farthest down in the said Harbour) to go alongside of such Wharf or Wharfs, and take in such Ballast from the Side or Sides thereof, in which Case the said Corporation, or their Officer or Officers, shall not be obliged to furnish such Ship or Vessel with Ballast in a Lighter or Lighters.

Lighters or Gabbards to be furnished for taking Ballast out of Vessels arriving therewith.

CXXII. And be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall furnish or cause to be furnished, at the Rate hereinafter mentioned, to the Commander or Master of any Ship or Vessel which shall from Time to Time arrive within the said Port laden with Ballast, good and sufficient Lighters or Gabbards, with proper and sufficient Workmen and Tools, for the taking and carrying such Ballast from such Ship or Vessel, within Twenty-four Hours after Notice for that Purpose shall be given in Writing by such Commanders or Masters respectively at the aforesaid Office, if Wind and Weather shall permit; and in case Wind and Weather shall not then permit the same, then within Twelve Hours after Wind and Weather shall permit them so to do.

Ballast may be unladen at the Wharf.

CXXIII. And be it further enacted, That when and so soon as such Wharf or Wharfs shall be so built and erected, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation, or the Officer to be appointed by them for that Purpose, to order and direct, at their Discretion, any Ship or Vessel requiring to discharge and unlade Ballast to discharge and unlade such Ballast at and upon such Wharf or Wharfs, in which Case the said Corporation or the said Officer or Officers shall not be obliged to furnish to the Commander or Master of any such Ship or Vessel any Lighter or Gabbard for the taking such Ballast from such Ship or Vessel.

If the Crew of any Vessel occasion unreasonable Delay to the Gabbards, &c. Master shall forfeit such Sum as Corporation may adjudge.

CXXIV. And to the end that such Lighters or Gabbards as shall or may be employed in bringing Ballast to and taking Ballast from such Ships or Vessels as aforesaid shall not be longer detained in so doing than shall be necessary, be it enacted, That in case the Crew of any Ship or Vessel shall neglect or refuse to take in or cast out their Ballast, so as to occasion any unreasonable or unnecessary Delay therein to any Lighter or Gabbard which may be employed under the said Corporation to bring Ballast to or take Ballast from such Ship or Vessel, then and in such Case the Commander or Master of every Ship or Vessel respectively so delaying shall forfeit and pay to the Ballast Master for the Time being any Sum not exceeding One Shilling for every Hour such Lighter or Gabbard shall be so unnecessarily detained by the Neglect or Default of the Crew of such Ship or Vessel.

Penalty on Masters taking or Persons supplying Ballast.

CXXV. And be it further enacted, That if the Master or Commander of any Ship or Vessel which shall be in the said Harbour shall take or permit or suffer to be taken into such Ship or Vessel any Ballast whatsoever from any Person or Persons, save only from such Person or Persons as shall be appointed by the said Corporation for that Purpose, or shall permit or suffer any Ballast whatsoever to be taken from such

such Ship or Vessel save only by such Person or Persons as shall be appointed as aforesaid, then not only the said Master or Commander, but also the Person who shall deliver to or take from such Ship or Vessel such Ballast as aforesaid, shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Penalty on purchasing Ballast except from Corporation.

CXXVI. And be it enacted, That if the Master or Commander of any Ship or Vessel which shall be in the said Harbour shall buy or purchase, or cause or procure to be bought or purchased, from any Person or Persons, any Ballast whatsoever for the Use of such Ship or Vessel, or shall permit or suffer any Ballast which shall be so bought or purchased (save only such as such Master or Commander shall pay for to the said Corporation as aforesaid) to be put on board such Ship or Vessel, such Master or Commander, and also such Person or Persons as shall sell such Ballast, shall forfeit the Sum of Ten Pounds each, one Half thereof to be paid to such Person or Persons as shall give Information of such Offence to the said Corporation and the other Half of the said Penalty to be paid to the said Corporation, to be applied for the Purposes of this Act.

Penalty on Master taking Ballast on board unknown to Ballast Master.

CXXVI. And be it enacted, That if any Master or Commander of any Ship or Vessel which shall be in the said Harbour shall in any Manner or by any Means or Contrivance whatsoever take on board, or permit or suffer to be taken on board such Ship or Vessel, any Ballast whatsoever, save only such and so much Ballast as he shall give Notice to and inform the Person who shall act as Ballast Master as aforesaid shall be necessary for such Ship or Vessel as aforesaid, such Master or Commander, and all and every Person and Persons who shall be aiding and assisting in putting such Ballast on board such Ship or Vessel, shall forfeit any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Ballast to be taken out of such Part of the Harbour as directed by an Officer appointed for the Purpose.

CXXVIII. And for the more effectual cleansing of the said Harbour, be it enacted, That all Ballast that shall from henceforth be put on board any Ship or Vessel within the said Harbour, shall, if raised in the said Harbour, be taken out of such Part or Parts only of the said Harbour as shall from Time to Time be directed by the Officer or Officers to be appointed by the said Corporation for that Purpose, and that no Ballast shall be carried from one Ship to supply another, and no Ballast shall be thrown out of any Ship into the said Harbour or River, without the Consent of the Corporation, upon Pain of forfeiting for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Penalty on the Master of a Lighter who shall take up Ballast except where directed.

CXXIX. And be it enacted, That if the Master or Owner of any Lighter which shall be employed by the said Corporation to take up or dredge for Ballast in the said Harbour shall dredge for or take up any Ballast in or from any other Part of the said Harbour than such Part thereof as the said Corporation, or the Officer or Officers to be by them authorized for that Purpose, shall from Time to Time direct, such Master or Owner shall forfeit, over and besides any other Penalty hereby imposed for such Offence, any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds, to be deducted out of such Money as may be from Time to Time payable by the said Corporation to such Master or Owner for any Services done by them for the said Corporation.

CXXX. And

Remedy in case of Neglect of the Ballast Master or his Servants in taking Ballast from any Vessel, or furnishing her therewith.

CXXX. And be it further enacted, That in case the Master or any of the Officers of the said Ballast Office, or his or their Servants, shall neglect or refuse to take off from or bring in Ballast to any Ship or Vessel within the said Port or Harbour, at the respective Times for doing thereof as aforesaid, the Master or Commander of such Ship or Vessel not having been ordered or directed as aforesaid to take in or put out such Ballast at such Wharf or Wharfs, when erected, as aforesaid, or if wanting Ballast, and he shall be so ordered and directed, and shall not be able to obtain such Ballast at such Wharf or Wharfs, then and in any of the said Cases it shall and may be lawful to and for the Commander and Master of such Ship or Vessel, at any Time after Notice in Writing of such Neglect, to be given at the said Office, to employ any other Lighter or Gabbard for the doing thereof, which said Lighter or Gabbard so by them as aforesaid employed is hereby authorized to take up as much Ballast in the Channel of the said Port or River only as shall be requisite for ballasting such Ship or Vessel so neglected to be supplied, or to carry off such Ballast as shall be in such Ship or Vessel, as the Case shall happen to be; and in every such Case, upon Oath thereof made before the Collector of the Port of *Belfast*, or other principal Officer of the Customs, who shall be then resident in or near the said Town of *Belfast*, every such Master of any Ship or Vessel shall have his Discharge and Clearings out of the said Port, provided he shall have paid the other Duties by this Act imposed; and the Owner or Owners of every Lighter or Gabbard which shall be so employed either in the bringing Ballast to or taking Ballast from such Ship or Vessel as aforesaid, on account of such Neglect by the said Ballast Office, shall be paid by the said Corporation or the said Ballast Master Two Shillings and Sixpence for every Ton of Ballast he or they shall so put into, and Two Shillings for every Ton of Ballast which he or they shall so take from such Ship or Vessel.

Power to reduce Dues on Foreign Ships and Goods.

CXXXI. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for His Majesty, in and by an Order of Council, or to and for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer for the Time being, in and by any Order in Writing, from Time to Time and at all Times to reduce the Duties hereby made payable on all or on such or on so many of the Foreign Ships or Vessels, or on the Ballast supplied to Foreign Ships, as shall be deemed expedient, to the same and the like Duties as are hereby and hereafter shall, in pursuance of the Powers herein contained, be made payable in respect of *British* Ships or Vessels.

This Act not to extend to Vessels in His Majesty's Service, &c.

CXXXII. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to any of His Majesty's Ships of War, or any Ship, Transport, or Vessel employed in or upon His Majesty's Service, in the Conveyance of any Officers or Soldiers, or any Horses, Arms, Ammunition, or Baggage to them or any of them belonging, or of any Ordnance, Barrack, or Commissariat Stores, or to any Vessel in the Service or Employ of the Ordnance, Customs, or Excise, or of His Majesty's Postmaster General: Provided always, that if any Person or Persons shall claim or take the Benefit of any

such Exemption as aforesaid, without being entitled thereto, every such Person for every such Offence shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Master, &c. to pay Duties before Departure of Vessels.

CXXXIII. And be it further enacted, That every Master or other Person having the Charge or Command, or any Owner of or Agent for any Ship or Vessel or the Cargo thereof, liable to pay any of the Duties hereby imposed, shall immediately after the shipping or delivering of the said Goods not only pay and discharge all such Sum and Sums of Money as shall be due for such Duties, but shall also, if required by the Receiver or Collector of the said Duties, give a true Note in Writing of the Names and Place or Places of Abode of the Merchants or others who shall lade or unlade, or cause to be laden or unladen, any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize within the said Harbour, or shall be the Owner or Owners of such Goods, Wares, or Merchandize; and in case any such Master, Owner, or Agent, or other Persons as aforesaid, shall refuse to give such Note, or shall neglect to pay the said Duties, within Three Days from the shipping or delivering of the same, he shall forfeit and pay Ten Pounds over and above the said Duties: Provided nevertheless, that if any Ship or Vessel entering into the said Harbour shall attempt to depart therefrom without having first paid the Duties to which such Ship or Vessel shall be liable by this Act, it shall be lawful for the Collector or Collectors, or his Deputy, or the Ballast Master or other Officer, to demand and require Payment thereof from the Master or other Person in charge of such Ship or Vessel; and in default of Payment of the same, or Want of Satisfaction given to such Collector or Collectors, or his Deputy, or the Ballast Master or other Officer, it shall be lawful for the said Collector or Collectors, or his Deputy, or the Ballast Master or other Officer, and all others in their Employ, or who they may call into their Assistance, to stop and detain and prevent the said Ship or Vessel from proceeding out of the said Harbour, with the same and the like Powers of Entry, Distress, and Sale, and the like Penalty hereinbefore mentioned; and any Pilot or Salvageman piloting or assisting any Vessel out of the said Harbour, after being required to desist therefrom by the Collector or Ballast Master, shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Masters or Owners liable for Damage done by their Vessels or Crews.

CXXXIV. And be it further enacted, That the Owner or Master or other Person having the Command or Charge of any Ship, Vessel, Lighter, or Boat using the said Harbour, shall be and is hereby made answerable and accountable to the said Corporation for the Amount of any Damage or Mischief done by any such Ship, Vessel, Lighter, or Boat, or by any of the Mariners, Boatmen, Bargemen, Watermen, or Servants, or other Persons on board of and belonging to the same, to the said Harbour, or to any of the Jetties, Piers, Quays, Walls, Wharfs, Works, Machinery, or Tackle within or about any Part of the same, or to other Vessels lying therein, or to any of the Anchors, Buoys, Beacons, Moorings, Chains, or any other of the Works already made, erected, or placed, or which shall hereafter be made, erected, or placed in and about the said Harbour; and if the Amount of such Mischief or Damage be not forthwith paid, in case the same shall not exceed the Sum of Twenty Pounds, the same shall and may be

recovered as any of the Penalties and Forfeitures imposed by this Act may be recovered; and it shall be lawful for the Ballast Master or other Officer to detain any such Vessel by which, or by any of the Persons belonging to which, any Damage or Mischief shall have been done, until sufficient Security be granted for Payment of the Amount of the Expence of repairing such Damage or Mischief, and of the Costs of recovering the same.

Masters may recover from their Crews.

CXXXV. And be it further enacted, That in case the Owner or Master of any Ship, Vessel, Lighter, or Boat as aforesaid shall be compelled to pay any Penalty, or to make Satisfaction for any Damage or Mischief, by reason of any such Damage or Mischief done or committed by his Mariners, Boatmen, Bargemen, Watermen, Servants, or other Persons on board of or belonging to the same, employed by him, such Mariners, Boatmen, Bargemen, Servants, or other Persons, and each and every of them, shall be liable to repay such Penalty or Damage, with the Costs thereof, to such Owner or Master; and in case of Nonpayment thereof, upon Demand, and Oath made by such Owner or Master of the Payment made by him of such Penalty or Satisfaction for Damages, and that the same or the Costs thereof have or hath not been repaid to him by such Mariners, Boatmen, Bargemen, Watermen, Servants, or other Persons, or any of them, although demanded, (such Oath to be made before any One Justice of the Peace of the County where such Penalty and Satisfaction shall have been incurred or paid, or where such Mariner, Boatman, Bargeman, Waterman, Servant, or other Person can be found,) the Amount thereof shall be recovered as any other Penalty is by this Act directed to be recovered.

Duty on Lighters, Gabbards, &c.

CXXXVI. And be it enacted, That the Proprietors and Owners of all Lighters, Gabbards, Wherries, Boats, and Hookers which shall be usually employed in the said Harbour of *Belfast* shall pay to the said Corporation the respective Sums of Money herein-after mentioned; that is to say, for every Gabbard or Lighter other than the Gabbards and Lighters belonging to the said Ballast Office Twenty Shillings *per Annum* for and during such Time as every such Gabbard or Lighter shall be kept in the said Port or Harbour; and for every Wherry, Boat, or Hooker plying for Hire in the said Harbour Ten Shillings *per Annum*.

Corporation may grant Licences to Owners of Lighters, &c.

CXXXVII. And be it enacted, That the said Corporation shall be and they are hereby empowered to grant Licences to such Lightermen or Owners of Lighters or Vessels a bove the Burthen of Ten Tons as shall be employed to carry Goods or Merchandize to or from any Ships or Vessels in the said Harbour of *Belfast:* Provided, always that the Owner or Owners of any such Lighter or Vessel shall, previous to the granting of such Licence, enter into Security, by himself or themselves, and Two other good and sufficient Persons as their Sureties, to be approved of by the said Corporation, by Bond in the Penalty or Sum of One hundred Pounds, conditioned to keep up such Lighter or Vessel in good Order and Condition, and to have the same at all Times properly manned, and to abide and be determined by such reasonable and accustomed Rates for Freight or Carriage of Goods within

within the said Harbour as the said Corporation shall by any Rule, Order, or Bye Law to be made or ordained as aforesaid agree upon, and also to abide by, perform, and fulfil all and every such Rules, Orders, Bye Laws, and Regulations as the said Corporation shall, pursuant to the Powers in them vested by this Act, make and ordain relative to the Conduct of such Lightermen, or the Owners of such Lighters or Vessels.

Owners of Lighters above Ten Tons, not licensed, to enter into Security, &c.

CXXXVIII. And be it enacted, That if any such Lighter or Vessel above the Burthen of Ten Tons as aforesaid, which shall not be licensed as aforesaid, and the Owner or Owners of which shall not have given such Security as aforesaid, shall be found laden with any Goods, Merchandize, Matter, or Thing whatsoever within the said Harbour; or if any such Owner or Owners of any such Lighter or Vessel shall refuse or neglect to enter into such Security, and perform the Requisites enjoined by this Act; then, and for every of the said Offences, and for every Time any of the said Offences shall be committed, the Owner or Master of such Lighter or Vessel shall forfeit the Sum of Five Pounds, to be recovered as herein-after is directed; one Half thereof to be paid to the Person who shall give Information to the said Corporation of such Offence, and the other Half thereof to be paid to the said Corporation, for the Purposes of this Act.

Punishing Persons obstructing the Execution of this Act.

CXXXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall at any Time or Times obstruct, hinder, or molest any Member of the said Corporation, or any of their Officers or Servants, or other Person whomsoever who is, are, or shall be employed by virtue of this Act, in the Performance or Execution of their Duty, every such Person so offending shall forfeit a Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds for every such Offence.

Powers to widen Patrick Street, &c.

CXL. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation, in case the Commissioners of Police of the Town of *Belfast* herein-after mentioned shall furnish the Sums of Money necessary for that Purpose, to alter, widen, or improve, in such Manner as to them shall seem fit, the following Streets leading to the said Harbour in the Town of *Belfast* aforesaid; (that is to say,) *Patrick Street*, *James Street*, *Mary Street*, *Quay Lane*, and *High Street*, or any Part or Parts of all or any Streets or Passages connected with or opening into any of the said Streets.

Powers of Purchase.

CXLI. And to enable the said Corporation to carry the said Works, or such of them as they shall think proper, into effect; be it further enacted, That the said Corporation shall be and they are hereby vested with the like and the same Powers and Authorities, as to the Purchase of the Grounds, Tenements, and Hereditaments necessary for that Purpose, and the compelling the Sale and Conveyance of such Parts thereof as are specified in the Schedule hereunto annexed as are by this Act herein-before given and granted to them: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to diminish the Power and Authority given to the Commissioners and Committee of Police of the said Town under Two Acts; one passed in the Fortieth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third,

Act not to affect Paving and Police Acts.

Third, entitled *An Act for paving, cleansing, and lighting and improving the several Streets, Squares, Lanes, and Passages within the Town of* Belfast *in the County of* Antrim, *and for removing and preventing all Encroachments, Obstructions, and Annoyances therein, and also for establishing and maintaining a Nightly Watch throughout the said Town and Precincts thereof, and for other Purposes;* and the other in the Fifty-sixth Year of the same Reign, entitled *An Act to explain and amend an Act of His said Majesty, for paving, cleansing, lighting, and otherwise improving the Town of* Belfast *in the County of* Antrim, *and for better effecting those Purposes;* but that the said Streets, Ways, and Passages, as to the Assessments and future Taxation of the Tenements therein, shall be under the Authority and Controul of the said Commissioners and Committee of Police, as fully and effectually as if this Act had never been made; nor shall any of the Powers or Authorities now vested in the said Commissioners and Committee of Police, or either of them, by the aforesaid Acts, or otherwise howsoever, be altered, abridged, or prejudiced by virtue of any thing in this Act contained, save as to the said Streets to be widened, altered, straightened, and improved as aforesaid.

40 G. 3. (I.)

56 G. 3. c. 57.

Police and Paving Commissioners to have Powers over new Streets.

CXLII. And it is hereby further enacted, That the said Commissioners and Committee of Police be and are hereby invested with the same Powers and Authorities respecting the said Streets so directed by this Act to be widened and improved, when the same shall be so widened and improved, as the said Commissioners and Committee of Police are now invested with: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to enable the said Corporation to apply any of the Monies arising by virtue of this Act in paving, lighting, watching, or repairing the said Streets.

Members and Officers not to be incompetent Witnesses.

CXLIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Dispute, Suit, or Litigation shall arise touching or in any way relating to the Duties or Rates, or respecting any Matter or Thing relating to the said Harbour, no Member of the said Corporation, or Person or Persons acting by or under the Authority of the said Corporation, or in the Service of the said Corporation, shall for that Reason alone be in any Manner disqualified or incapable from giving Evidence in, upon, and respecting such Dispute, Suit, or Litigation.

Corporation may obtain Advance of Money from Loan Commissioners.

CXLIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation to apply to the Commissioners for the Execution of any Acts of Parliament passed or to be passed, authorizing the Loan of Money upon the Security of public or private Works, for the Advance of any Sum or Sums of Money upon the Security of the Rates and Duties payable under this Act, or on the Security of any other Property of the said Corporation; and in case the Commissioners for the Execution of the said Acts shall think fit to direct any Sum or Sums of Money to be advanced for the Purposes of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Corporation to mortgage or assign any Lands or other Property of the said Corporation, and all or any of the Rates or Duties which shall arise or be payable under this Act, to the said Commissioners, as a Security for the Payment of the Interest and Principal of any Sum or Sums so to be advanced at or within any

such Time or Times, and by any such Instalments, as the said Commissioners shall think proper to direct and appoint, and as shall be specified in such Mortgage or Assignment; and the Sums payable under or by virtue of the same shall, if the said Commissioners so require, have Preference and Priority over any other Mortgage or Assignment of any of the said Lands or Property, or Rates and Duties, made to any other Person or Persons under this Act; and the Interest of all such Sums so advanced shall in such Case be fully paid and satisfied before the Payment of any Interest or Annuities under any other Securities granted under the Authority of this Act; and the Principal Sums secured by such Mortgage or Assignment to the said Commissioners shall be paid and satisfied at such Time or Times and by such Instalments as shall be specified in the Mortgage or Assignment given for Security of the same, in preference and priority to all other Payments under the Authority of this Act, or otherwise, as the said Commissioners shall require.

Corporation may borrow from other Persons.

CXLV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Corporation from Time to Time to borrow and take up at Interest such other Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the whole, together with the Sums, if any, which may be advanced by the said Commissioners, the Sum of Three hundred thousand Pounds, for the Purposes of this Act, upon the Security of any Lands or other Property of the said Corporation, or upon the Credit of the Rates and Duties to be levied, collected, and raised, and to be payable to the said Corporation by virtue of this Act, and to charge or mortgage or otherwise subject such Lands or other Property, or to assign all or any Part of the said Rates and Duties, to such Person or Persons as shall lend and advance any Money thereon, or to his or their Trustee or Trustees, as a Security for the Principal Money to be advanced, and Interest for the same; and the Costs of every such Mortgage, Assignment, or Security shall be defrayed by the said Corporation out of the Monies to be so borrowed; and in case any Money shall be borrowed on the Credit of the said Rates or Dues, any Assignment to be made thereof may be in the Words and to the Effect following:

Form of Security.

'WE, the Corporation for preserving and improving the Port and Harbour of *Belfast*, by virtue of an Act made in the Second Year of the Reign of King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act* [*here set forth the Title of this Act*], in consideration of the Sum of advanced and lent by of upon the Credit and for the Purposes of the said Act, do hereby grant and assign to the said , or to his Trustees [*as the Case may be*], his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, such Proportion of the Rates and Duties payable to us 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 or owing or be charged upon the Credit of the said Act, to be holden from this Day of until the Sum of , with Interest at the Rate of *per Centum per Annum* for the same, shall be repaid and

' and satisfied. In witness whereof we the said Corporation have
' hereunto caused our Common Seal to be affixed, the
' Day of in the Year .'

And every such Security shall be good, valid, and effectual, and shall entitle the Person to whom the same shall be made, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, to the Payment thereof, and to all Profits and Advantages therein, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, and as so expressed in such Security.

Corporation may grant Annuities.

CXLVI. And be it further enacted, That in case the said Corporation shall think it advisable or advantageous to raise all or any Part of the Money to be borrowed under this Act by granting Annuities for Lives instead of by Assignment as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to grant Annuity or Annuities to any Person or Persons who shall contribute, advance, and pay into the Hands of the said Corporation any Sum or Sums of Money, as to the said Corporation shall seem right and proper, for the absolute Purchase of any Annuity or Annuities, to be paid and payable during the natural Life or Lives of such Person or Persons as shall be nominated at the Time of Payment of such Contribution or Purchase Money; and the Expence of every such Grant shall be defrayed by the said Corporation; and the Grant of every such Annuity may be in the Words or to the Effect following:

Form of Grant of Annuity.

' WE, the Corporation for preserving and improving the Port and
' Harbour of *Belfast*, by virtue of the Provisions of an Act
' made in the Second Year of the Reign of King *William* the Fourth,
' intituled *An Act* [*here insert the Title of this Act*], in consider-
' ation of the Sum of
' paid by of
' for the Purposes of the said Act, do hereby grant unto the said
' One Annuity or yearly Sum of
' , out of the Rates and Duties payable to the said
' Corporation by virtue of the said Act; which Annuity or yearly
' Sum of shall be paid to the said
' his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns,
' during the natural Life of , by equal half-yearly
' Payments, upon Day of
' and Day of in every Year during
' the natural Life of the said , the first Payment to be
' made on the Day of next ensuing the Date
' hereof. In witness whereof we the said Corporation have hereunto
' caused our Common Seal to be set, this Day of
' in the Year .'

Corporation may raise an additional Sum, if necessary, by Mortgage.

CXLVII. And be it further enacted, That in case the Money hereby authorized to be raised shall be found insufficient for the making, completing, and maintaining of the said Works hereby authorized to be made, and for defraying all necessary Charges and Expences relating thereto, and in case the said Corporation shall be desirous of raising a further or additional Sum of Money, it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, by and with the Consent of the major Part of

of the Persons qualified by this Act to vote at the Election of a Member of the said Corporation, present at any General Meeting convened together by public Advertisement, to borrow and take up at Interest any such further or additional Sum not exceeding the Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds on the Credit of the said Rates, or upon the Security of the Lands or other Property of the said Corporation, or upon all or any of them, as to the said Corporation shall seem meet and convenient; and the said Corporation, after an Order shall have been made for that Purpose at any such General Meeting, are hereby authorized and empowered to assign the Rates arising or to arise by virtue of this Act, or any Part thereof, as also the said Lands or other Property, as the Case may be, (the Costs and Charges of assigning the same to be paid out of such Rates,) as a Security for any such further Sum of Money to be borrowed as aforesaid, with Interest, to such Person or Persons, or to his or their Trustee or Trustees, as shall advance the same; all which said Assignments shall be made under the Common Seal of the said Company: Provided always, that all Sum and Sums of Money previously borrowed shall have Priority of Payment.

For preventing improvident Grants of Annuities.

CXLVIII. And for preventing any improvident Grants of Annuities, be it further enacted, That the Amount of every Annuity to be granted by virtue of this Act shall be regulated according to the Price and Value of Annuities which shall be granted under any Act or Acts from Time to Time for enabling the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to grant Life Annuities and Annuities for Terms of Years.

Securities and Annuities may be transferred.

CXLIX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Person and Persons entitled to any of the Securities or Annuities aforesaid, and their respective Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, (as the Case may be,) at any Time, by Writing under their Hands and Seals, to transfer such Securities or Annuities respectively to any Person or Persons whomsoever; which Transfer may be in the Words, or to the Effect following:

Form of Transfer.

'I , being entitled to the Sum of
' , or to an Annuity of ,
'secured to , his Executors, Administrators,
'and Assigns, by virtue of an Assignment or Grant bearing Date
'the Day of , from the
'Corporation for preserving and improving the Port and Harbour
'of *Belfast*, do hereby transfer all my Right, Title, and Benefit
'in and to the said Sum or Annuity, and all Interest and other
'Money now due and owing thereon, unto , his
'Executors, Administrators, and Assigns. Dated this
'Day of .'

And every such Assignment shall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law to all Intents and Purposes.

Application of Money.

CL. And be it further enacted, That all the Money to arise by or from the said Duties hereby granted, or to be received from Time to Time by virtue of this Act, and all the Money which may be

borrowed on the Credit thereof, shall be paid to the Treasurer of the said Corporation, and shall be subject to and applied and disposed of, in the first place, in paying and defraying the Costs, Charges, and Expences which shall be incident to and attending the obtaining and passing of this Act, and of the Interest of the Money which shall have been advanced for defraying such Costs, Charges, and Expences, and afterwards in paying the Interest of the Monies to be borrowed by virtue of this Act, as the same shall become due, and in defraying the Costs, Charges, and Expences of cleansing, repairing, maintaining, deepening, straightening, widening, and supporting the said Harbour and the several Works thereunto belonging, and in building, erecting, and providing additional Works for the Maintenance and Improvement thereof, and in opening any Channels, Cuts, or Creeks, and in purchasing, building, and erecting Quays, Docks, Jetties, Walls, and other Works hereby authorized to be made, and in paying and defraying all Costs, Charges, and Expences which the said Corporation may sustain or be put unto in purchasing Lands or Tenements, or otherwise in carrying this Act into execution, or in any Manner relating to the Execution thereof, or of any thing to be done by virtue thereof; in the next place, in paying and discharging the Principal Monies due and owing on the Credit of the said recited Act hereby repealed, or to be borrowed on the Credit of this Act; and if any Surplus shall remain, the same shall be paid to the *Belfast* Charitable Society.

Sunday, &c. not reserved.

CLI. And be it further enacted, That no Part of any *Sunday*, *Christmas Day*, or *Good Friday* shall be considered as any Portion of the Time within which any thing is by this Act required to be done or performed.

All Offences committed in Port and Harbour may be tried in Antrim.

CLII. And be it further enacted, That all Offences committed within the Limits of the said Port and Harbour, or within Five hundred Yards of the Quays thereof, in the County of *Down*, shall and may be heard and determined by and before any Judge of Assize or any Justice or Justices of the Peace acting for the County of *Antrim*, or by and before the Sovereign of *Belfast*, in such and the like Manner as if such Offences had been committed within the County of *Antrim*, and the said Judge of Assize, Justices of the Peace, and Sovereign respectively and all Constables and other Peace Officers of the County of *Antrim* and Town of *Belfast* shall and may have and exercise all Powers and Authorities vested in them in such and the like Manner as if the said Port and Harbour, and the Lands within Five hundred Yards of the Quays thereof, as aforesaid, had been Part of the said County.

Justices may proceed by Summons.

CLIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases in which by this Act any Penalty or Forfeiture is made recoverable by Information before a Justice or Justices of the Peace, it shall and may be lawful for any Justice or Justices as aforesaid to whom Complaint shall be made of any Offence against this Act to summon the Party complained against before him or them, and on such Summons to hear and determine the Matter of such Complaint, and on Proof of the Offence to convict the Offender or Offenders, and to adjudge him;

her, or them to pay the Penalty or Forfeiture incurred, and to proceed to recover the same, although no Information in Writing shall have been exhibited or taken by or before such Justice or Justices; and all such Proceedings by Summons without Information shall be as good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, as if an Information in Writing was exhibited.

Damages and Charges in case of Dispute to be settled by Justice.

CLIV. And be it further enacted, That where by this Act any Damages or Charges are directed or authorized to be paid or recovered for any Offence or Offences, the Amount of such Damages or Charges, in case of Dispute respecting the same, shall be settled, ascertained, and determined by the Justice or Justices of the Peace by or before whom any Offender shall be convicted of any such Offence or Offences, who is and are hereby authorized and required, on Nonpayment thereof, to levy such Damages or Charges by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, in the Manner directed by this Act for levying of any Penalties or Forfeitures.

Corporation may reward Informers.

CLV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporation, from Time to Time, if they shall see Cause, to pay and apply such Part of the said Penalties and Forfeitures, or any of them, as they shall think proper (not exceeding One Half of them or any of them), to and for the Use of the Informer or Informers, or any of them; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Disputes about the Amount of Rates to be settled by Justices.

CLVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Dispute shall arise concerning the Amount of the Rates or Duties due, or the Charges occasioned by any Distress to be taken by virtue of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Collector or Person distraining to detain such Distress until the Amount of the Rates or Duties due, and the Charges of seizing, distraining, keeping, or selling such Distress, as the Case shall happen, shall be ascertained by some Justice of the Peace for the said County, who, upon Application made to him for that Purpose, shall examine the said Matter upon Oath of the Parties or other Witness or Witnesses, and determine the Amount of the Rates or Duties due; and it shall be lawful for such Justice to assess and award such Costs to be paid by either of the Parties to the other of them as he shall think just and reasonable; and in case of Nonpayment thereof, on Demand, such Costs shall be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Party directed to pay the same by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of such Justice.

In case of Nonpayment for Damages, &c. by the Corporation, the same may be levied by Distress.

CLVII. And be it further enacted, That when and as often as any Sum or Sums of Money shall be directed or ordered to be paid by any Justice or Justices of the Peace, or other Magistrate, in pursuance of this Act, as or by way of Compensation or Satisfaction for any Costs, Damage, Spoil, or Injury of any Nature or Kind whatsoever, done or committed by such Corporation, or any Person or Persons acting by or under their Authority, and such Sum or Sums of Money shall not be paid by the said Corporation to the Party or Parties entitled to receive the same within Five Days after Demand in Writing shall have been made from the Clerk to the said Corporation or their

Treasurer, in pursuance of the Direction or Order made by such Justice or Justices or other Magistrate, and in which Demand the Order of such Justice or Justices or other Magistrate shall be stated; then and in such Case the Amount of such Compensation or Satisfaction shall and may be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels vested in such Corporation by virtue of this Act, or of the Goods and Chattels of their Treasurer for the Time being, under a Warrant to be issued for that Purpose by such Justice or Justices or other Magistrate; which Warrant any such Justice or Justices or other Magistrate is and are hereby authorized and required to grant, under his Hand and Seal or their Hands and Seals, on Application made to him or them for that Purpose by the Party or Parties entitled to receive such Sum or Sums of Money as or by way of Compensation or Satisfaction for any such Costs, Damages, Spoil, or Injury as aforesaid; and in case any Overplus shall remain after Payment of such Sum or Sums of Money, and the Costs and Expences of hearing and determining the Matter in dispute, and also the Costs and Expences of such Distress and Sale, then and in such Case such Overplus shall be returned (on Demand) to the said Corporation, or to their Treasurer for the Time being, as the Case may be.

Directing what shall be good Service of Notice on the Corporation.

CLVIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases wherein it may be necessary or requisite for any Person or Party to serve any Summons, or any Notice, or any Writ, or any other Proceedings at Law or in Equity, upon the said Corporation, Service thereof respectively upon any Two of the said Corporation, or left at their last or usual Places of Abode, or upon the Clerk or Treasurer of the said Corporation, or left at the Office of such Clerk or Treasurer, or at his last or usual Place of Abode, or at the Office of the said Corporation, or, in case the same respectively shall not be found or known, then Service upon any other Agent of or Officer employed by the said Corporation, or left at his last or usual Place of Abode, shall be deemed good and sufficient Service of the same respectively on the said Corporation.

Mode of Recovery and Application of Penalties.

CLIX. And be it further enacted, That all Offences whatsoever which by virtue or under the Authority of this Act are or shall be subject to or punishable with any pecuniary Penalties, Fines, or Forfeitures, and any Offence against any Rule, Order, or Bye Law made in pursuance hereof, for the Recovery of which no express Provision is herein-before made, shall and may in every Case be heard, adjudged, and determined by or before any of the Justice or Justices of the Peace acting in and for the County of *Antrim*, or before the Sovereign of *Belfast*, in a summary Way, and the said Justice or Sovereign shall summon the Party accused, and examine into the Matter thereof; and if upon the Confession of the Party or Parties accused, or on the Oath of any One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, which Oath the said Justice or Sovereign is hereby empowered and required to administer, the Party or Parties accused shall have been convicted of having committed such Offence or Offences, then and in every such Case the said Penalty or Penalties, Fine or Fines, Forfeiture or Forfeitures, hereby made payable in respect of such Offence or Offences, together with the Costs of Conviction, to be ascertained by such Justice

Justice or Sovereign, shall be forthwith paid by the Party or Parties so convicted as aforesaid; and in case such Party or Parties so convicted shall refuse or neglect to pay the same forthwith, then the same shall and may, by Warrant or Warrants under the Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals of any such Justice or Sovereign (which he and they is and are hereby authorized and empowered to grant), be levied and recovered, together with the Costs of Conviction and Recovery, to be ascertained as aforesaid, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Offender or Offenders, wherever such Goods and Chattels can be found, rendering the Overplus of the Money arising by such Sale, if any, after deducting the reasonable Charges of taking, keeping, and selling such Goods and Chattels, to the Party or Parties whose Goods and Chattels shall be so distrained; and one Half of such Penalty shall be paid to the Informer, and the other Half to the Corporation for the Time being, or to such Person or Persons as shall by them be in that Behalf authorized to receive the same, and shall go and be applied for the same Purposes as the Duties imposed by this Act are directed to be applied; and it shall and may be lawful to and for such Justice or Sovereign to order the Offender or Offenders so convicted to be detained in safe Custody until Return can be conveniently made to such Warrant or Warrants of Distress, unless the said Offender or Offenders shall give sufficient Security to the Satisfaction of such Justice or Sovereign for his or their Appearance before the said Justice or Sovereign on such Day or Days as shall be appointed for the Return of such Warrant or Warrants of Distress, such Day or Days not being more than Seven Days from the Time of taking any such Security, and which Security the said Justice or Sovereign is and are hereby empowered to take by way of Recognizance or otherwise; but if upon the Return of such Warrant it shall appear that no sufficient Distress can be had whereupon to levy the said Penalty or Penalties, Fine or Fines, Forfeiture or Forfeitures, and such Costs as aforesaid, and the same shall not be forthwith paid, or in case it shall appear to such Justice or Sovereign, either by the Confession of the Offender or Offenders or otherwise, that the Offender or Offenders hath or have not sufficient Goods and Chattels whereon such Penalties, Fines, or Forfeitures and Costs may be levied, were a Warrant of Distress issued, such Justice or Sovereign shall not be required to issue a Warrant of Distress; and thereupon it shall be lawful for such Justice or Sovereign, and he and they is and are hereby required and empowered, by Warrant or Warrants under his Hand and Seal or their Hands and Seals, to commit such Offender or Offenders to the Common Gaol or House of Correction of the County, Borough, Town, or Place respectively within the Jurisdiction of which the Place may be situated where the Offence was committed, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for any Time not exceeding Three Calendar Months, or until such Offender or Offenders shall have paid such Penalty or Penalties, Fine or Fines, Forfeiture or Forfeitures, and all Costs and Charges attending such Proceedings as aforesaid, to be ascertained by such Justice or Sovereign, or shall otherwise be discharged by due Course of Law.

For securing transient Offenders.

CLX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for any Collector, Harbour Master, or other Officer of the said Corporation,

tion, and such Person or Persons as he shall call to his Assistance, to seize and detain any Person or Persons, being unknown to such Collector, Harbour Master, or other Officer, who shall commit any Offence or Offences against this Act, and to convey him, her, or them before any One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace or other Magistrate, without any other Warrant or Authority than this Act for so doing; and such Justice or Justices of the Peace or other Magistrate respectively is and are hereby empowered and directed to proceed immediately to the Conviction or Acquittal of such Offender or Offenders.

For compelling Witnesses to attend.

CLXI. And be it further enacted, That if any Person who shall be summoned as a Witness to attend to give Evidence before such Sovereign or Justice of the Peace, touching any Matter contained in any Information or Complaint for any Offence committed against this or any former Act, or any Bye Law or Order made in pursuance thereof, shall, without reasonable Excuse, refuse or neglect to appear at the Time and Place to be for that Purpose appointed, a reasonable Sum having been paid or tendered to such Person for his Charges, or, when appearing, shall refuse to be examined upon Oath, or, in case of a Quaker, on solemn Affirmation, and to give Evidence before such Sovereign or Justice of the Peace, then and in any of the said Cases every such Person shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, to be recovered in like Manner as any Penalty imposed by this Act may be recovered.

Power of Appeal.

CLXII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Person who shall think himself or herself aggrieved by any Order or Judgment made or given in pursuance of any Rule, Bye Law, or Order of the said Corporation, or by the Conviction or Determination of any Sovereign or Justice of the Peace, in pursuance of this or any former Act, within Four Calendar Months after such Order, Judgment, Conviction, or Determination shall be made or given, to appeal to the Justices of the Peace of the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held in and for the said County of *Antrim*, the Person or Persons appealing giving first at least Ten Days clear Notice of such Appeal, and of the Nature and Matter thereof, to the Person or Persons appealed against, or to the said Corporation, as the Case may be, and within Two Days after such Notice entering into Recognizance before the Sovereign of the said Town or some Justice of the Peace of the County of *Antrim*, with Two sufficient Sureties, conditioned to prosecute such Appeal and to abide the Order and Award of the said Court thereupon; and it shall be lawful for the Justices, upon due Proof of such Notice and Recognizance having been given and entered into, to hear and determine such Complaint, either at such General Quarter Sessions, or, if the said Justices think proper so to do, to adjourn the hearing thereof until the next General Quarter Sessions; and it shall be lawful for the said Justices at such Sessions, if they see Cause so to do, to mitigate any Forfeiture or Fine, and to order any Money to be returned which may have been levied, and to award such further Satisfaction to be made to the Party injured, or such Costs to either of the Parties, as they shall adjudge reasonable and proper; and all such Determinations of the

said Justices shall be final, binding, and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes.

Form of Conviction.

CLXIII. And be it further enacted, That the Conviction for any Offence against this Act shall be drawn up in the following Form of Words, or in any other Form of Words to the same Effect:

'County of } BE it remembered, That on the Day of in the Year of our Lord , *A. B.* of is this Day convicted before me, [*or* us,] *C. D.* of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace of the County of , of having [*specifying the Offence, and Time and Place when and where the same was committed, as the Case may be,*] contrary to the Form of the Statute passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*]; and I [*or* we] do adjudge him [her *or* them] to pay and forfeit for the same the Sum of , or be committed to [*Place of Imprisonment*] for the Term of [*Time of Imprisonment*]. Given under my Hand and Seal [*or* our Hands and Seals] the Day and Year aforesaid.'

Distress not unlawful for Want of Form.

CLXIV. And be it further enacted, That where any Distress shall be made for any Sum or Sums of Money to be levied by virtue of this Act, the Distress itself shall not be deemed unlawful, nor shall the Party or Parties making the same be deemed a Trespasser or Trespassers, on account of any Defect or Want of Form in any Proceeding relating thereto; nor shall the Party or Parties be deemed a Trespasser or Trespassers *ab initio* on account of any Irregularity which shall be afterwards done by the Party or Parties distraining; but the Person or Persons aggrieved by such Irregularity may recover full Satisfaction for the special Damages only in an Action on the Case.

Proceedings not to be quashed for Want of Form, nor removable by Certiorari.

CLXV. And be it further enacted, That no Proceeding touching any Order made, or any other Matter or Thing to be done or transacted in or relating to any Complaint or Appeal, or any Order or Determination thereon, shall be quashed or vacated for Want of Form only, or be removed into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Dublin* by Certiorari or any other Writ or Process whatsoever; any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Tender of Amends.

CLXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall recover in any Action for any such Irregularity, Trespass, or other Proceedings, if Tender of sufficient Amends shall be made by or on behalf of the Party or Parties who shall have committed or cause to be committed every or any such Irregularity, Trespass, or wrongful Proceedings, before such Action brought; and in case no such Tender shall have been made, it shall and may be lawful for the Defendant or Defendants in any 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 see fit, whereupon such Proceeding or Order and Judgment shall be had,

made, or given in and by such Court as in other Actions where the Defendant is allowed to pay Money into Court.

Limitation of Actions.

CLXVII. And be it further enacted, That no Action or Suit shall be commenced against the said Corporation, or any other Person or Persons acting under them, for any thing done in pursuance of this Act, until the Expiration of Ten Days next after Notice thereof shall be given in Writing to the Person or Persons against whom such Action is intended to be brought, or after sufficient Satisfaction, or Tender thereof, hath been made to the Party or Parties aggrieved, or after Six Calendar Months next after the Fact committed for which such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits shall be brought; and every such Suit shall be brought, laid, and tried in the County where the Cause of Action shall arise, and not elsewhere; and the Defendant or Defendants, and every of them, in every such Action and Suit, shall and may plead the General Issue, and give the special Matter in Evidence, at any Trial or Trials to be had thereupon, and that the Matter or Thing for which such Action or Suit shall be brought was done in pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if the said Matter or Thing shall appear to have been so done, or if it shall appear that such Action or Suit shall have been brought before the Expiration of Ten Days after Notice thereof given as aforesaid, or that sufficient Satisfaction was made or tendered as aforesaid, or if such Action or Suit was not commenced within the Time before limited for such Purpose, or shall be laid in any other County or Place other than as aforesaid, then the Jury shall find for the Defendant or Defendants therein; and upon such Verdict, or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs in such Action or Suit shall become nonsuited, or suffer a Discontinuance of such Action or Suit, or if upon any Demurrer in any such Action or Suit Judgment shall be given for the Defendant or Defendants, then and in either of the Cases aforesaid such Defendant or Defendants shall have his, her, or their 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.

Saving the Rights of the Marquess of Donegal.

CLXVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to prejudice, diminish, alter, or take away any of the Rights, Privileges, Powers, or Authorities vested in or enjoyed by the Most Noble the Marquess of *Donegal*, his Heirs and Assigns, or the Sovereign and Burgesses of the Town of *Belfast* aforesaid, also of *Arthur Chichester* Esquire, his Heirs and Assigns, except so far as respects the Ground and Works hereby authorized to be purchased and made.

Public Act.

CLXIX. 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.

FIRST

FIRST SCHEDULE to which this Act refers; being the Property intended to be taken by the Corporation.

PARISH OF BELFAST.

Townland of Belfast.

Nos. on Plan.	Name of Owner.	Names of Lessees or reputed Lessees.	Names of Sub-lessees or reputed Sub-lessees.	Names of Occupiers.	Description of Property.
1	The Most Noble the Marquess of Donegal.	Heirs of the late Rev^{d}. Edw^{d}. May.	Miss Jane Gregg	Herself	Field with small Buildings.
2		John Gilmore Dunbar, Henry Joy Holmes.			Ground now being reclaimed, and Foreshore.
3		Ditto			Wet Dock and Ground now being formed.
4		Ditto			Building Ground and Roads and Streets.
5		Ditto	James Patterson		Houses and Offices now being built.
6		Ditto	Thomas M'Culloch		Ditto Ditto.
7		Ditto	David Rogers		Ditto Ditto.
8, 8 b		Ditto	Ditto		Houses and Offices.
8 a		Ditto	Ditto	Solomon White	Ditto.
8 c		Ditto	Ditto	William Campbell	Ditto.
8 d		Ditto	Ditto	Thomas Gamble	Ditto.
8 e		Ditto	Ditto	James Owens	Ditto.
9		Ditto	Thomas Graham		Houses and Offices now being built.
9 a		Ditto	Thomas Graham, James M'Lornan.		Ditto Ditto.
10		Ditto	Robert Gilfillan		Ditto Ditto.
11		Ditto	Daniel M'Intyre		Ditto.
12		Ditto	Francis Ewart		Ditto.
13		Ditto	Samuel Ewart		Ditto.
14		Ditto	David Evans		Ditto.
15		Ditto	James Gelston	Himself	Dwelling Houses and Carpenter's Yard.
16		Ditto	James Bradford	James Cooke, Thomas Stevenson.	Ditto, and unoccupied Yard.
17		Ditto	Arthur M'Stay		Building Ground, with Houses now being built.
18		Ditto	Daniel M'Stay		Ditto Ditto.
19		Ditto	James Algeo		Building Ground.
20		Ditto	John M'Cormick	Himself	Ditto, with Public House.
21, 21 a		Alexander M'Laine		Himself	Shipbuilding Yard, Dwelling House, and Offices.
21b		Ditto		Mrs. Jane Ritchie	Dwelling House and Offices.
65 a		Ballast Corporation			Quay in front of Corporation Ground to be widened.
66		John Cunningham, or Wm Ritchie.			Landing Quay.
66 a		Ditto	Charles Connell and Sons.	Themselves	Slip to Shipbuilding Yard.

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67		John Cunningham, William Simms, James M'Adam, and Henry Joy Tomb.		Themselves	Ritchie's Dock and Quayage.
68		Henry Joy Tomb		Himself	Donegall Quay.
69		Henry Joy Tomb, Thomas Greg		Themselves	Limekiln Dock and Quayage.
70		Thomas Greg		Himself	Merchants Quay.
71		Ditto		Ditto	Town Dock and Hanover and Chichester Quays.
72		Ditto		Ditto	Custom House Quay.
73					Quay above present Long Bridge.
73 a		Commissioners of Police.			Pumps for Water to Streets.
74		Sir Stephen May			May's Dock or Timber Ponds.
74 a		Ditto			Field.
75	The Most Noble the Marquess of Donegal.	Mrs. Jane Henderson	James Algeo	John Browne	Timber Yard and Offices.
76		Ditto	James Algeo, William Ritchie.	William Ritchie	Dwelling House and Outbuildings.
77		Ditto	James Algeo, Robert Mitchell.	William Burke	Dwelling House and Yard.
78		Mrs. Jane Henderson.	James Algeo	James Alexander	Dwelling House and Yard.
79		Ditto	Ditto	Himself	Public House, Offices, and Yard.
80		Ditto	Ditto	James Donnellan	Cottage and Yard.
81		Ditto	Ditto	William Baxter	Ditto Ditto.
82		Ditto	Ditto	Owen Turney	Ditto.
83		Ditto	Ditto	Henry Mullard	Ditto.
84		Thomas Furgusson		James Rowan	Ditto and Garden Ground.
85		John Taylor	Daniel Brown or William Mills.	Nicholas Christie	Ditto Ditto.
86		Ditto	Ditto	William Stewart	Ditto Ditto.
87		Ditto	Daniel Brown or William Mills, Mrs. Margaret Ross.	Patrick Murney	Cottage.
88		Ditto	Ditto	Mrs. Margaret Ross	Ditto.
89		Ditto	Daniel Brown or William Mills.	Mary M'Keehan	Ditto.
90		Ditto	Ditto	Margaret Magill	Ditto.
91		Ditto	Ditto	Margaret Edmonstone	Ditto.
92		Ditto	Ditto	Andrew Millar	Shop, Dwelling House, Bakehouse, and Yard.
93		Ditto	Ditto	Himself	Garden Ground.
94		William Lyle		Robert Addy	Dwelling House.
95		Ditto	John Davidson or Daniel Shannahan.	Weekly Tenants	Crawford's Entry and Houses.
96		Ditto	Ditto		Common Dung Pit to Ditto.
97		Ditto	Ditto	Patrick Gales	Dwelling House.
98		William Tennent	Robert Mitchell	Hugh Jennings	Ditto.
99		Ditto	Ditto	James Cole, Charles Wild.	Ditto.
100		Ditto	Robert Mitchell, Robert M'Bratney.	Robert M'Bratney	Public House.

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101		William Tennent	Robert Mitchell, Robert M'Bratney.	William Henry Savage	Dwelling House, Outbuildings, and Yard.
102		Francis Turnley	Mrs. Margaret M'Cune	John M'Auley	Ditto.
103		Ditto	Ditto	James Collins	Ditto.
104		Ditto	Ditto	John Dugrasse	Ditto.
105		Ditto	Ditto	Mary M'Cormick	Ditto.
106		Ditto	Ditto	Lawrence O'Brien	Ditto.
107		Ditto	Ditto	Herself	Dwelling House, Bakehouse, and Offices.
108		Ditto	Ditto	James Baxter	Dwelling House.
109		Ditto	Ditto		Ditto.
110		Ditto	Mrs. Margaret M'Cune, John M'Pherson.	William Russell	Ditto.
111		Ditto	Joseph Patterson	John Steacey	Ditto.
112		Ditto	Ditto	James Cummins	Ditto.
113		Ditto	James Welsh, Mrs. Mary Magee.	William Magill	Ditto.
114		Ditto	Ditto	Mrs. Mary Magee	Ditto, and Shop.
115		Ditto	James Welsh, John Topping.	John Topping	Dwelling House.
116	The Most Noble the Marquess of Donegal.	Ditto	James Welsh, Charles Courtney.	Charles Courtney	Ditto.
117, 118		Ditto	Heirs of late Thomas M'Comb, Alexander Dickson.	Alexander Dickson	Ditto, Stores, Offices, and Yard.
119		Ditto	Heirs of late Thomas M'Comb.	John Cramsie	Dwelling House.
120		Mrs. Mary Warren		James Duffey	Ditto, and Shop and Yard.
121		Ditto		Oliver Morris	Ditto Ditto.
122		Ditto		Charlotte Blair	Ditto Ditto.
123, 123a, 123 b		Ditto		Angus Clark	Ditto Ditto, and Workshop.
124		Ditto	Mrs. Margaret M'Cune		Dwelling House.
125		Ditto	Clement Bell, John Maharg.	William Harper, Jane Reid.	Ditto, and Workshop.
126		Ditto	Ditto	David Flight	Dwelling House.
127		Ditto	Ditto	Samuel Hoy	Storehouse.
128		Ditto		Patrick M'Cann	Dwelling House.
129		Ditto	Samuel Hoy	Catherine Rutherford	Ditto.
130		Ditto	Ditto	Himself	Public House, Shop, and Cooperage.
131, 131 a		Samuel Fitzsimmons		William Hall	Public House and Offices.
132		Ditto		Fergus O'Farrall, Nicholas Virgin.	Stable and Storehouse.
133		Heirs of late Robert Hyndman.	Joseph Gilmore, John M'Connell.	James Hannan	Stores and Yard.
134		Ditto	John Wilkinson	Himself	Warehouse.
135		Ditto	Joseph Gilmore	Himself	Stable, Loft, and Yard.
136		John Patton	Thomas Moore	John Wilkinson	Warehouse and Yard.
137		Ditto		John Wilkinson	Dwelling House and Shop.
138		David Smiley	Francis Ireland	Hugh Moore	Ditto Ditto.
139		Ditto	Ditto	Himself	Ditto Ditto, and Workshop.
140		Ditto	Joseph Wright, John Martin, and Robert M'Dowell, Charles Stanfield.	Thomas and John Carey.	Storehouses and Yard.

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141		John Patton	Heirs of late Arthur Crawford, Joseph Gilmore.	Charles Boyle	Spirit Store.
142		David Smiley	Barnard Thomas	Himself	Public House and Offices.
143		Ditto	Andrew John Barnett	Charles Jones	Dwelling House.
144		Ditto	Ditto	George Cox	Ditto.
145		Ditto	Ditto	William Heaney	Ditto.
146		Ditto	Ditto	William Culley	Ditto.
147		Ditto	Ditto	James Price	Ditto.
148		Ditto	Ditto	Peter Murtagh	Ditto.
149		Heirs of late Thomas M'Comb.	James M'Kie	George Allen	Public House and Outbuildings.
150		Ditto	Ditto	Himself	Ditto Ditto.
151		Arthur Quin	Samuel Gelston, John Gaussen.	John Gaussen	Warehouse.
152		Ditto	Ditto	George Harvey	Dwelling House.
153		Ditto		Benjamin Mitchell	Ditto.
154		Ditto		Patrick Hammill	Ditto.
155		Ditto	Fergus O'Farroll	James Hill	Ditto.
156		Ditto	Ditto	Himself	Ditto and Shop.
157		Ditto		John Crawford Trotter	Ditto Ditto.
158		Ditto		Daniel Leeson, Andrew Gardner.	Dwelling House.
159		Ditto		Joseph Seaton	Ditto.
160		Hill Hamilton	Henry Barry	Himself	Stores, Offices, and Yard.
161		Ditto	Peter Kennedy	Himself	Dwelling House and Outbuildings.
162		Thomas Greg	James Reany	Isaac Ledgett	Ditto.
163		Ditto	Ditto	James Brown	Ditto.
164. 166. 168. 172. 173		Ditto	Ditto		Ditto.
165		Ditto	Ditto	Thomas Carvill	Ditto.
167		Ditto	James Reaney, Ann Stafford.	Ann Stafford	Dwelling House.
169		Ditto	James Reaney	Benjamin Lyons	Ditto.
170		Ditto	Ditto	Joseph Cowan	Ditto.
171		Ditto	Ditto	Nathaniel Rankine	Ditto.
174		Ditto	Ditto	John Hoy	Ditto.
175		John Patton	Neill Taggart	Himself	Public House and Outbuildings.
176		Ditto	Ditto	George Graham	Dwelling House.
177		Ditto	Ditto	Charles Quin	Smith's Forge.
178		Ditto	Thomas Moore	Himself	Dwelling House, Shop, Warehouses and Yard.
179		Ditto	Ditto	John Falloon	Dwelling House and Shop.
180		Ditto	Henry Currin	Himself	Ditto Ditto.
181		Ditto	Thomas Moore	John Moreland	Ditto Ditto.
219 a		Commissioners of Police.			Great Patrick Street and James Street.
220		Ditto			Mary Street.
221		Ditto			Quay Lane (to be widened).
222		Ditto			Elbow Lane and Burt's Entry.
225		Ballast Corporation of Belfast			River Lagan (to be deepened and straightened.)

The Most Noble the Marquess of Donegal.

Townland of Skeigoneill.

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1	The Most Noble the Marquess of Donegal.	Robert Thompson		Himself	Field with Building.
2					Foreshore, or unreclaimed Mud Banks.
3		Ballast Corporation of Belfast			River Lagan (to be straightened and deepened).

PARISH OF KNOCKBREDA.

Townland of Ballymacarrett.

Nos. on Plan.	Names of Owners or reputed Owners.	Names of Lessees or reputed Lessees.	Names of Sub-lessees and Occupiers.	Description of Property.
3	Colonel Arthur Chichester, M.P.	Narcissus Batt	Himself Fortescue Gregg Hugh Montgomery William Murray Neill M'Culloch	Quays, Wharfs, and Cuts.
4	Ditto, or Marquess of Donegal.			Foreshore, or unreclaimed Mud Banks.
5	Ballast Corporation of Belfast, claimed also by Narcissus Batt			Backstream through Mud Banks.
6	Ballast Corporation of Belfast			River Lagan (to be straightened and deepened).

SECOND

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Rates to be paid on all Goods and Merchandize imported into and exported from the Port of *Belfast*.

	s.	*d.*
Acid, per Pipe	0	6
Ditto, per Carboy	0	0½
Anchors, each	1	0
Apples, per Hogshead	0	2
Ditto, per Barrel or Hamper	0	1
Alum, per Ton	0	4
Alabaster, per Ton	0	3
Ashes, Pot or Pearl, per Barrel	0	2
Ditto, Dantzig, per Barrel	0	1½
Barilla, per Ton	0	6
Bark, per Ton	0	6
Bacon, per Bale, or Tierce	0	1
Beef, per Tierce	0	1
Ditto, per Barrel	0	0½
Ditto, per Half Barrel	0	0¼
Butter, per Firkin	0	0¼
Ditto, per Half Ditto, or Crocks	0	0⅛
Barley, per Ton	0	4
Beer or Ale, per Hogshead	0	3
Ditto, per Barrel	0	2
Brimstone, per Ton	0	4
Blacking, per Hogshead	0	6
Brick (Fire) per Thousand	0	9
Ditto, Building	0	6
Bearers or Blocks, each	0	0⅛
Blue in Boxes, each	0	0¼
Boilers, each	1	0
Barm, per Puncheon	0	4
Bran, per Ton	0	4
Books and Stationery, per Package	0	3
Cotton in Packages, each	0	4
Cotton Wool and Waste, per Bale	0	3
Copper Dross, per Ton	0	4
Copper in Ingots, Tile, or Sheet, per Ton	1	0
Cheese, per Ton	1	0
Copperas, per Ton	0	4
Clay, per Ton	0	3
Candlewick, per Bale	0	4
Candles, per Box	0	0¼
Coaches or Chariots, each	5	0
Coffee, per Ton	1	0
Carts, each	0	6
Cement, per Ton	0	4
Canvas, per Bale	0	4
Cyder, per Pipe	0	4
Cyder, per Hogshead	0	2
Cork Wood, per Ton	2	6
Cables (Chain), per Ton	1	0
Ditto (Hempen), per Ton	1	0
Cordage, per Ton	1	0
Colours, per Ton	1	0
Clover Seed, per Sack	0	3
Cream of Tartar, per Ton	1	0
Calf Skins, per Bundle	0	0½
Cattle (Black), Bulls, Oxen, or Cows, each	0	4
Drugs, per Hogshead	1	0
Ditto, per Tierce	0	9
Ditto, per Barrel	0	6
Ditto, per Firkin	0	2
Dye Stuffs, per Hogshead	0	4
Ditto, per Tierce	0	3
Ditto, per Barrel	0	2
Dye Woods, per Ton	0	6
Dust (Founder's), per Hogshead	0	3
Eggs, per Package	0	2
Earthenware, per Load	2	6
Ditto, per Crate and Hogshead	0	4
Ditto, per Tierce	0	3
Fruit (Dry), per Ton	2	0
Flour, per Ton	0	6
Fish (Dry), per Ton	0	8
Ditto, per Hogshead	0	4
Ditto, per Barrel	0	2
Furniture, per Package	0	6
Freestone, per Ton	0	3
Flax, Hemp, and Tow, per Ton	1	0
Flax Seed, per Hogshead and Bag	0	2
Ditto, per Barrel	0	1
Flags, per Ton	0	3
Feathers, per Bale	0	9
Fowls, per Crate or Skip	0	2
Ginger, per Ton	1	6
Guns in Cases, each	0	6
Gum (British), per Ton	0	6
Gum (Foreign), Ditto	1	0
Gunpowder, per Cask	0	2
Glass, per Hogshead	0	6
Ditto, per Crate or Tierce	0	4
Glass Bottles (Wine), per Gross	0	1

Second Schedule — continued.

	s.	d.
Glass Carboys, each	0	0⅛
Grindstones, each	0	6
Greaves, per Ton	0	4
Gigs and Cars, each	2	6
Garden Seeds, per Sack	0	3
Ditto, per Bag	0	2
Hardware, per Hogshead	0	8
Ditto, per Tierce	0	6
Ditto, per Barrel	0	4
Hosiery, per Bale or Package	0	6
Hair, per Bale	0	4
Hats, per Package,	0	6
Hatters Stuff, per Hogshead	0	3
Herrings, per Barrel	0	0½
Hops, per Packet or Bag	0	4
Hoops, Hogshead, per Thousand	1	0
Ditto, Tierce, Ditto	0	8
Ditto, Barrel, Ditto	0	6
Ditto, Half Barrel, Ditto	0	4
Ditto, Firkin, Ditto	0	3
Hides (Cow or Ox), each	0	0¼
Ditto, Kips, each	0	0⅛
Haberdashery, per Package	0	6
Hams, per Hogshead	0	3
Ditto, per Tierce	0	2
Horses, Mares, or Geldings, each	0	9
Hay, per Truss	0	1
Hemp, Flax, or Tow, per Ton	1	0
Iron (Pigs), per Ton	0	3
Ditto (Bars), per Ton	0	4
Ditto (Castings), per Ton	0	6
Ditto, per Bundle,	0	2
Indigo, per Chest	0	6
Jewellery, per Case	1	0
Kelp, per Ton	0	4
Leather, per Package	0	3
Lead, per Ton	0	9
Lemons or Oranges, per Chest	0	3
Ditto, per Box	0	2
Liquor, per Pipe or Puncheon	0	4
Lamp Black, per Cask	0	4
Liquorice, per Case	0	2
Ditto Juice, per Box	0	3
Lard, per Firkin	0	0¼
Ditto, per Hogshead	0	4
Ditto, per Tierce	0	3
Linens, per Package	0	4
Lime, per Hogshead	0	3
Limestone, per Ton	0	3
Mahogany, per Ton	1	0
Machinery, per Case	0	6
Molasses, per Puncheon	0	4
Molasses, per Hogshead	0	3
Malt, per Ton	0	4
Magganese, per Ton	0	4
Marble, per Case	0	8
Ditto, per Ton	0	6
Mats, per Bundle	0	0¼
Mill Stones, each	1	0
Mustard, per Keg	0	0¼
Mules and Asses, each	0	6
Madder, per Hogshead	0	9
Nuts, per Bag or Barrel	0	2
Oil, per Hogshead, or Pipe	0	6
Ditto, per Barrel	0	3
Ditto, per Chest	0	2
Ditto, per Jar	0	1
Oats, per Ton	0	3
Oatmeal, per Ton	0	4
Onions, per Basket	0	0
Oakhum, per Ton	0	4
Oranges and Lemons, per Chest	0	3
Ditto, per Box	0	2
Paper, per Package	0	3
Paints, per Ton	1	0
Peas, per Bag	0	2
Pepper, per Bag	0	3
Pork, per Tierce	0	1
Ditto, per Barrel	0	0½
Ditto, per Half Barrel	0	0¼
Porter, per Hogshead	0	3
Ditto, per Barrel	0	2
Potatoes, per Ton	0	3
Pitch, per Barrel	0	1
Piano Fortes, each	1	0
Pigs, each	0	1
Plank, per Load, of 50 Cubic Feet	0	8
Quicksilver, per Bottle	0	1
Rags, per Bale	0	3
Reeds (Cane), per Bundle	0	0¼
Rice, per Ton	1	0
Rum and other Spirits, per Puncheon	0	4
Ditto per Hogshead	0	3
Rosin, per Barrel	0	1
Skins, per Bundle	0	1
Saddlery, per Package	0	6
Shot (Lead), per Ton	1	0
Salt, per Ton	0	3
Salts (Bleachers), per Cask	0	2
Saltpetre, per Ton	1	0
Soap, per Box	0	0½
Ditto (Black), per Firkin	0	0½
Smalts, per Cask	0	3

Second Schedule — continued.

	s.	*d.*
Staves (Pipe), per 120, above Fifty Inches long	0	5
Ditto, Ditto, per 120, under Fifty Inches	0	4
Ditto (Hogshead), per 120	0	2
Ditto (Barrel), per 120	0	1
Slates, per Ton	0	3
Sugar, per Hogshead	0	8
Ditto, per Tierce	0	6
Ditto, per Barrel or Bag	0	2
Sugar Candy, per Box	0	2
Starch, per Hogshead	0	4
Ditto, per Tierce,	0	3
Ditto, per Box	0	2
Shooks, Puncheon or Barrel per Bundle	0	1
Tea, per Quarter Chest	0	2
Turpentine (Spirits of), per Puncheon	0	6
Ditto (Raw), per Barrel	0	1
Tiles, per Thousand	0	6
Tin Plates, per Box	0	0½
Ditto Blocks, each	0	1
Tar, per Barrel	0	1
Tallow, per Cask	0	3
Tobacco, per Hogshead	0	8
Thread, per Box	0	3
Timber, per Load of Fifty Feet	0	8
Deals, per 120	1	6
Ditto Ends, per 120	0	6
Ditto Battens, per 120	1	0
Ditto Batten Ends, per 120	0	4
Vitriol (Oil of), per Bottle	0	0½
Vinegar, per Pipe	0	4
Ditto, per Hogshead	0	3
Woollens, per Package	0	6
Whiskey, per Puncheon	0	4
Ditto, per Hogshead	0	3
Wine, per Pipe	0	6
Ditto, per Hogshead	0	4
Ditto, per Case or Quarter Cask	0	3
Wheat, per Ton	0	4
Whiting, per Barrel	0	0½
Wool, per Bale	0	3
Yarn, per Bale	0	4
Ditto, per Skip	0	3
Ditto, per Beam	0	2
Yeast, per Puncheon	0	4

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