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An Act to enable the Juſtices of Peace for the County of *Brecon* to take down the preſent County Bridge over the River *Uſk*, and to build Two new Bridges over the Rivers *Senny* and *Uſk* in lieu thereof. [6th *April* 1819.]

WHEREAS the Bridge over the River *Uſk*, at or near a Place called *Rhyd-y-Brue*, in the Pariſh of *Llywell*, in the County of *Brecon*, and on the Turnpike Road leading from the Town of *Brecon*, in the ſaid County of *Brecon*, to the Town of *Llandovery*, in the County of *Carmarthen*, is narrow and incommodious, and is become very ruinous and greatly decayed: And whereas it has been aſcertained, that the Rebuilding of the ſaid Bridge on its preſent Foundation, will be attended with very conſiderable Inconvenience, Difficulty, and Riſk: And whereas by an Act made in the Forty-third Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for remedying certain Defects in the Laws relative to the Building and Repairing of County Bridges, and other Works maintained at the Expenſe of Inhabitants of Counties in* England; it is amongſt other Things enacted, that where any Bridge or Bridges repaired at the Expenſe of any County, ſhould be ſo much in Decay as to render the taking the ſame wholly down neceſſary or expedient, it ſhould and might be lawful to and for the Juſtices of the ſaid County, at any of their General Quarter Seſſions, to order and direct the ſame to be rebuilt, either on the old Scite or Situation, or on any new one more convenient to the Public, contiguous to or within Two Hundred Yards of the former one, as to ſuch Juſtices ſhould ſeem meet: And whereas no good Situation or Foundation can be found for a Bridge over the ſaid 43 Geo. 3.

River *Uſk*, contiguous to or within the ſaid Diſtance of Two Hundred Yards of the preſent Bridge: And whereas the Communication between the City of *Glouceſter*, and the Sea Port or Harbour of *Milford Haven*, in the County of *Pembroke*, will be greatly improved by making a Deviation of Part of the ſaid Turnpike Road between the Town of *Brecon* and the Town of *Llandovery* aforeſaid, at or near the ſaid Place called *Rhyd-y-Brue*, and by building one Single-Arch Bridge over the River *Senny*, and another Single-Arch Bridge over the River *Uſk*, in the ſeveral Pariſhes of *Devynnock* and *Llywell* in the ſaid County of *Brecon*: But as ſuch Improvement cannot be effected without the Aid and Authority of Parliament: May it therefore pleaſe Your Majeſty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That notwithſtanding any thing contained to the contrary in the ſaid recited Act, or any other Act or Acts, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Juſtices of the Peace, acting in and for the ſaid County of *Brecon*, and they are hereby fully authorized and empowered at any of their General Quarter Seſſions, to be held in and for the ſaid County, or at any Adjournment thereof, to order and direct a good and ſubſtantial Bridge of Iron, Stone, and Mortar, or of Stone and Mortar only, as to ſuch Juſtices ſhall ſeem meet, to be built and erected for the Paſſage of Horſes, Cattle, and Carriages, of the Breadth of Twenty-four Feet at the leaſt, acroſs the ſaid River *Senny*, in the Pariſh of *Devynnock* aforeſaid, and not exceeding the Diſtance of One Thouſand Yards from the ſaid old Bridge at *Rhyd-y-Brue* aforeſaid; and alſo to order and direct another good and ſubſtantial Bridge of the ſame Width and Materials, and for the ſame Purpoſes, to be built and erected acroſs the ſaid River *Uſk*, from the ſaid Pariſh of *Devynnock* to the Pariſh of *Llywell* aforeſaid, at a Diſtance not exceeding Two Thouſand Yards from the ſaid other new Bridge; and alſo to order and direct proper Roads, Ways, Avenues, and Approaches to be formed, made, and completed to the ſaid reſpective Bridges, ſo as to communicate the ſame with the ſaid Turnpike Road leading from the ſaid Town of *Brecon* to the Town of *Llandovery* aforeſaid; and for ſuch Purpoſe it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Juſtices, and they are hereby authorized and empowered generally to do and execute all and every ſuch Act and Acts, Thing and Things, as they could and might have done and executed, in caſe they had rebuilt the ſaid Bridge within the ſaid Diſtance of Two Hundred Yards from the Scite of the ſaid preſent Bridge.

Juſtices empowered to build Two Bridges, &c.

Surveyor of Bridges to agree for the Purchaſe of Lands.

II. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the Surveyor of Bridges of the ſaid County of *Brecon*, under the Direction of the ſaid Juſtices, to contract and agree with the Owner or Owners of, or other Perſon or Perſons intereſted in the Lands or Grounds requiſite for the Purpoſes of this Act for the Purchaſe of the ſame, by a Sum in Groſs, in the Manner and according to the Proviſions of the ſaid recited Act.

Juſtices empowered to borrow Money for the Purpoſes

III. And whereas by an Act made in the Fifty-ſeventh Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled *An Act to authorize the Iſſue of Exchequer Bills, and the Advance of Money out of the Conſolidated Fund to a limited Amount for the carrying on of Public Works and Fiſheries in the United*

United Kingdom, and Employment of the Poor in Great Britain, *in Manner therein mentioned*, certain Commiſſioners therein named and appointed are authorized and empowered to iſſue and advance Exchequer Bills, under the Reſtrictions and Regulations therein ſpecified, for the carrying on of Public Works in *Great Britain*; Be it therefore enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Juſtices of the Peace acting in and for the ſaid County of *Brecon*, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow and take up at Intereſt, under the Powers of the ſaid laſt recited Act, ſuch Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding the Sum of Five Thouſand Pounds, as they ſhall deem requiſite and neceſſary; and they are hereby alſo authorized and empowered at any General Quarter Seſſions of the Peace to be held in and for the ſaid County of *Brecon*, or at any Adjournment thereof, to mortgage the general Rate or Aſſeſſment commonly called the County Rate, raiſed for the ſaid County of *Brecon*, in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Commiſſioners may direct under the Proviſions of the ſaid laſt recited Act, as a Security for the Repayment of any Sum or Sums of Money to be borrowed from the ſaid Commiſſioners as aforeſaid, by an annual Inſtalment of Five Pounds *per Centum per Annum* at the leaſt, on the Amount of the principal Sum ſo to be borrowed as aforeſaid, and Five Pounds *per Centum per Annum* as Intereſt on ſuch Part of the ſaid principal Money as ſhall from Time to Time remain due, until the Whole of the ſame and the Intereſt thereof ſhall be fully paid and diſcharged; and which Sum or Sums of Money ſo to be borrowed from the ſaid Commiſſioners as aforeſaid ſhall be paid to the Treaſurer of the ſaid County of *Brecon* for the Time being, and be by him placed to the Credit of the ſaid County Stock or Fund.

Of this Act from the Commiſſioners ſuperintending the Loan of Exchequer Bills. 57 Geo. 3.

IV. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Juſtices at their ſaid General Quarter Seſſions, or at any Adjournment thereof, to order and direct the Treaſurer of the ſaid County of *Brecon* for the Time being, to pay and diſcharge all the Coſts, Charges, and Expenſes, attending the obtaining and paſſing of this Act, and of carrying the ſame into Execution, out of and from the Public Stock or Fund of the ſaid County.

Treaſurer of the County to pay Expenſes out of County Rate.

V. And be it further enacted, That when and as ſoon as the ſaid new Bridges, and the reſpective Roads, Ways, Avenues, and Approaches to the ſame, ſhall have been certified by Two of the ſaid Juſtices in Writing under their Hands, to be completely finiſhed and fit for the Paſſage of Horſes, Carts, and Carriages, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Juſtices, at their ſaid General Quarter Seſſions, or at any Adjournment thereof, to order and direct the ſaid Old Bridge to be taken down, and to ſtop up ſuch Part or Parts of the Turnpike Road leading thereto, in the ſame Manner and under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions as they are authorized to ſtop up uſeleſs Highways, Roads, and Footpaths, by an Act paſſed in the Fifty-fifth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled *An Act to amend an Act of the Thirteenth Year of His preſent Majeſty, for the Amendment and Preſervation of the Public Highways, in ſo far as the ſame relates to Notice of Appeal againſt turning or diverting a Public Highway; and to extend the Proviſions of the ſame Act to the ſtopping up of unneceſſary Roads;* and alſo, that it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Juſtices to order and direct their ſaid Bridge Surveyor to ſell and diſpoſe of the Materials of the ſaid Old Bridge, and to pay the Money

When New Bridges, &c. completed, Old Bridge to be taken down, and Old Highway ſtopped up. 55 Geo. 3.

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arising from such Sale to the Treasurer of the said County for the Time being, to the Credit of the said Public Stock or Fund of the said County.

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

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