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An Act to enable the *Briſtol* Dock Company to borrow a further Sum of Money for completing the Improvements of the Port and Harbour of *Briſtol*. [28th *April* 1809.]

WHEREAS an Act was paſſed in the Forty-third Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled *An Act for improving and rendering more commodious the Port and Harbour of* Briſtol, whereby the Mayor, Burgeſſes, and Commonalty of the City of *Briſtol*, and their Succeſſors, the Maſter, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Society of Merchants of the ſaid City, and their Succeſſors, and the ſeveral Perſons ſubſcribing towards the Sum of Two hundred and fifty thouſand Pounds therein named and deſcribed, are incorporated by the Name and Style of *The Briſtol Dock Company*, and are empowered and required to make and maintain certain Works therein deſcribed; and by the ſaid Act, in Addition to the Sum of Two hundred and fifty thouſand Pounds ſubſcribed or to be ſubſcribed as therein mentioned, the ſaid *Briſtol* Dock Company were empowered to borrow and take up at Intereſt, on the Credit of the Rates and Duties thereby granted, a further Sum of Money not exceeding Fifty thouſand Pounds: And whereas an Act was paſſed in the Forty-ſixth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled *An Act to alter and amend an Act paſſed in the Forty-third Year of the* Reign 43 G. 3. c. 40. 46 G. 3. c. 35.

Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled 'An Act for improving and render-'ing more commodious the Port and Harbour of Briſtol, *and for extending 'the Powers and Proviſions of the ſaid Act,'* whereby the ſaid Dock Company are authorized to make additional Calls on the Proprietors of Stock or Shares in the ſaid Undertaking, ſo as ſuch Calls did not exceed in the Whole the Sum of One hundred and thirty-five Pounds upon each Share: And whereas an Act was alſo paſſed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign
48 G. 3. of His preſent Majeſty, intituled *An Act for completing the Improvement of the Port of* Briſtol, whereby the ſaid Dock Company are authorized to raiſe a further Sum of Money for diſcharging Debts, Sum and Sums of Money due and owing by the ſaid *Briſtol* Dock Company, and for carrying into Execution the Powers and Proviſions thereof and of the ſaid recited Acts; but it is enacted that ſuch further Sum ſo to be raiſed ſhall not exceed the Sum of One hundred and eighty thouſand Pounds: And whereas the ſaid *Briſtol* Dock Company have, in the Execution of the ſeveral Works authorized and required by the ſaid recited Acts, met with various Accidents and Loſſes, and have therein incurred Debts, and are liable to Claims for Compenſation to a conſiderable Amount more than they are authorized to raiſe under the ſaid recited Acts: And whereas, to enable the Directors of the ſaid *Briſtol* Dock Company to raiſe a ſufficient Sum of Money for diſcharging the Debts they have incurred, for paying Compenſations due under the Proviſions of the ſaid recited Acts, and for completing the ſaid Works, it will be neceſſary and expedient to alter, amend, and enlarge the Powers and Proviſions of the ſaid recited Acts: 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 it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Directors of the ſaid *Briſtol* Dock Company, or any Five or more of them, to raiſe, by all or any or ſuch of the Ways or Means hereinafter mentioned as ſhall be from Time to Time determined on by any General Meeting of the ſaid Dock Company, to be held in Manner ſpecified and directed by the ſaid recited Acts, and in addition to the Sum which they are thereby authorized to raiſe, the further Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, or ſuch Part or Parts thereof as ſhall or may be neceſſary for diſcharging all and every the Debts, Sum and Sums of Money due or to become due from the ſaid *Briſtol* Dock Company, or the Directors nominated and appointed for managing and conducting the Affairs and Buſineſs of the ſaid Dock Company, or for which they do now or at any Time hereafter ſhall or may ſtand engaged, and for carrying into Execution the Powers and Proviſions of the ſaid recited Acts and this Act.

Power to borrow Money.

Money may be raiſed by Loan or Promiſſory Notes.

II. And it is hereby further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Directors, or any Five or more of them, to raiſe any Part of the ſaid Sum of Money ſo as aforeſaid authorized to be raiſed for the Purpoſes of the ſaid recited Acts and this Act, by Loan or Promiſſory Notes, or by Calls on the Proprietors of Stock or Shares in the ſaid Undertaking, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns, according to the Amount of the Stock or Shares of ſuch Perſons reſpectively, ſo that no one Call ſhall exceed the Sum of Ten Pounds for each One hundred Pounds Stock in the ſaid Undertaking, and that no Call to that Amount be made at leſs than Two Calendar Months from the preceding Call; which Calls ſo

to be made shall be paid to such Person or Persons, and in such Manner, as the said Directors shall appoint.

Extending the Powers of Payment of Interest, &c. in the said Act of 48 G. 3. to this Act.

III. And it is hereby further enacted, That the several Regulations, Provisions, and Clauses contained in the said recited Act of the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty for Payment of Interest on the said Promissory Notes, and also for the Payment and Discharge of such Notes, and for entitling the respective Holders of such Promissory Notes to the Option of being admitted and becoming Proprietors of Stock in the said *Bristol* Dock Fund, and for extending the Powers of the said former Acts to such Stock so to be created, and also for respiting Calls on Subscribers to the said Undertaking who shall advance any Sum or Sums of Money on any Promissory Notes, shall be and the same are hereby extended to the Sum and Sums of Money to be raised on Promissory Notes to be issued under the Authority of this Act, and also to such Promissory Notes and to the Holders thereof, and that as fully and effectually as if such Clauses, Powers, and Provisions were herein repeated.

Other Provisions of the said Acts as to other Matters, extended to this Act.

IV. And it is hereby further enacted, That the several Regulations, Powers, Provisions, and Clauses contained in the said recited Acts, allowing Proprietors to relinquish their Shares upon giving Notice within Three Calendar Months after the passing of this Act, for the Sale of such Shares so relinquished, for Recovery of Calls and Arrears, and for Forfeiture of Stock on Non-payment of Calls, shall be and the same are hereby extended to the Stock to be created and the Calls to be made under and by virtue of this Act, and that as fully as if such Clauses, Powers, and Provisions were herein repeated.

Power to assign the Rates.

V. And it is hereby further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Directors of the said *Bristol* Dock Company to assign over the Rates and Duties granted and made payable by the said recited Acts, subject nevertheless to the necessary Charges and Expences of attending, maintaining, regulating, repairing, and preserving the Works authorized and required to be made, maintained, and preserved under and by virtue of the Clauses and Provisions contained in the said recited Acts, and subject also to the Promissory Notes of the said Dock Company from Time to Time issued and charged thereon as a Security or Collateral Security for the Repayment of any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Fifty thousand Pounds, borrowed or to be borrowed by the said *Bristol* Dock Company.

Extending the general Powers of the said Acts to this Act.

VI. And it is hereby further enacted, That all and every the Clauses, Powers, Provisions, Penalties, Matters, and Things contained in the said recited Acts, and applicable to this present Act, except such Part or Parts thereof as is or are hereby altered or varied, shall from the passing of this Act extend to and be executed as well for the Intents and Purposes of the said recited Act as of this present Act, and that as fully and effectually as if such Clauses, Powers, Provisions, Matters, and Things were repeated and again enacted in the Body of this Act.

For paying the Expences of this Act.

VII. And be it further enacted, That all Charges and Expences incident to or attending the obtaining and passing of this Act shall be paid out

out of the Monies received by the *Briſtol* Dock Company for Calls from Proprietors, in preference to all other Payments whatſoever.

Declaring the Act Public.

VIII. 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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