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An Act for making and maintaining a Pier Wharf and other Works at *Greenwich* in the County of *Kent*. [28th *July* 1836.]

WHEREAS the Conveyance of Passengers and Goods to and from the Metropolis and *Greenwich* in the County of *Kent* and other Places by Steam and other Vessels has of late Years very much increased: And whereas it would greatly conduce to the Convenience and Advantage of the Inhabitants of *Greenwich* aforesaid, and all other Persons resorting thereto or communicating therewith, and would be of great public Utility, if a Pier Wharf or Jetty were erected, made, and maintained at *Greenwich* aforesaid: And whereas the Persons herein-after named, with several others, are willing and desirous, at their own Expence, to effect the Purposes aforesaid, but the same cannot be done without the Authority of Parliament: And whereas certain Persons acting on behalf of the Subscribers to the intended Undertaking have agreed to take on Lease from the Commissioners of *Greenwich* Hospital a Piece of Land situate at *Greenwich* aforesaid, whereon to construct the Abutment and form the Landing of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and the necessary Works belonging thereto, which Lease is to be for a Term of Eighty Years from the Twenty-fourth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, or from such earlier Period as the said Pier Wharf or Jetty and other Works shall be finished and opened to the Public, at the yearly Rent of One hun-

dred and fifty Pounds, free from Taxes, and subject to certain Stipulations agreed upon between the Commissioners of *Greenwich* Hospital and certain Persons acting on behalf of the said Subscribers: May it 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,

Company incorporated.

That *Sir Richard Dobson*, *Robert Matthew Isacke*, *Thomas Martyr*, *Matthew James Popplewell*, *Edward Wilkinson*, *Honeyman Macqueen Mackay*, *Robert Wintle Innes*, *John Sutton*, *George Martyr*, *Thomas Kinsman Bryan*, *Henry Mathew*, *Graham Simson*, *Thomas Calvert Morton*, *John Carttar*, *John Inwood Langley*, *John Smallman Masters* Clerk, *Thomas Oak*, *Edward Bate*, *William Debonaire Haggard*, *Edward Leman*, *Joseph Maynard Ward*, *Thomas Brockelbank*, *William Paine*, *James Colquhoun*, *William Brownfield* the younger, *Frederick Finch*, *William Calvert*, *John Aitchison*, *Thomas Oswald*, *James Martyr*, and *William Giles*, and their respective Successors, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, or such of them as shall from Time to Time be possessed of any Share or Shares in the Undertaking hereby authorized, and also all such other Person or Persons as shall from Time to Time be possessed of any Share or Shares therein, and their respective Successors, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, shall be and they are hereby united into a Company for the constructing, making, maintaining, and carrying out a Pier Wharf or Jetty into the River *Thames* at *Greenwich* in the County of *Kent*, together with Quays, Works, and all other Conveniences and Requisites thereto, according to the Powers and Authorities herein-after contained, and shall be One Body Politic and Corporate by the Name of "The *Greenwich* Pier Company," and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession and a Common Seal, and by that Name shall and may sue and be sued, and shall have full Power and Authority to take a Lease of the Land agreed to be demised by the Commissioners of *Greenwich* Hospital as aforesaid, upon the Terms so as aforesaid agreed upon, or upon any other Terms hereafter to be agreed upon between the said Commissioners and the said Company, and to renew such Lease from Time to Time and when and as often and during so long as the said Commissioners shall agree to grant a Renewal thereof, and also to purchase the Fee Simple of the said Land, if the said Commissioners shall agree to sell the same to the said Company, and to hold the said Land, and any other Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, to them the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, for the Use of the said Undertaking, without incurring any of the Forfeitures of the Statutes of Mortmain.

Power to erect a Pier and other Works.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company and they are hereby authorized and empowered, from and after the passing of this Act, subject to the Stipulations hereinbefore referred to between the said Company and the Commissioners of *Greenwich* Hospital, to erect and make, and thenceforward to maintain, at *Greenwich* aforesaid, a Pier Wharf or Jetty on the South Side of the River *Thames* in the Parish of *Saint Alphage*, *Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*, from that Part of the Bank of the said River which is situate between certain public Stairs or Landing Places in the

the said Parish called or known by the Name of *Garden Stairs*, and certain other Stairs called or known by the Name of *Ship Stairs*, according to the Plan deposited with the Town Clerk of the said City of *London*, for the embarking and disembarking, landing and shipping of Passengers, and of Horses, Carriages, Cattle and other Live Stock, and lading and unlading Ships and Vessels, in such Manner, and subject to such Orders and Directions, as the Directors of the said Company, to be appointed in the Manner herein-after mentioned, or the major Part of them present at any of their Meetings, shall deem necessary or expedient; and also to erect and make such Landing Places, Embankments, and other Works as the said Directors shall think necessary and proper, for rendering the said Pier Wharf or Jetty useful and convenient for the landing and embarking of Passengers and Goods; and also to make Avenues and Approaches to the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and other Works, as the said Directors shall in manner aforesaid deem necessary and proper; and also to erect and make proper and convenient Toll Gates and Houses for the Collectors of the Tolls to be taken under the Authority of this Act, upon or near to the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, Avenues or Approaches; and for the Purposes, and subject as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said Company, their Servants, Agents, and Workmen, to dig and make proper Foundations in the said River and on the Land adjoining, and to deepen the Bed of the said River in front of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and also to alter and excavate the said public Stairs or Landing Place called *Garden Stairs*, and the Causeway thereof, and from Time to Time to repair, rebuild, pull down, vary or alter the said Works, or any of them; the Works in the said River, and connected therewith, to be done and performed to the Satisfaction of the Clerk of the Works for the Time being employed in the *Thames* Navigation: Provided always, that no Toll Gate shall be erected under or by virtue of this Act at any farther or greater Distance from the front or River Wall of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty to be constructed by virtue of this Act than the Space of Fifty Yards to the Southward thereof.

Present Plying Place called Garden Stairs not to be injured.

III. And be it further enacted, That the said Pier Wharf or Jetty and Works shall be so constructed, and so kept and used as not to injure the Stairs or Steps and Causeway when altered called *Garden Stairs*, now used by the Watermen as a Plying Place, and which will be on the Western Side of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and so that the same Stairs and Steps and Causeway when altered may remain and be used and enjoyed as heretofore.

Any Accumulation of Mud, &c. to be removed.

IV. And be it further enacted, That in case at any Time or Times there shall be any Accumulation of Mud, Sand, Dirt, or other Matter adjoining to the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, or in the Neighbourhood thereof, occasioned thereby, which shall appear to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of *London* in Common Council assembled, or to the Lord Mayor of the said City for the Time being, as Conservator of the River *Thames*, to be injurious to the Navigation of the said River, then and in every such Case the said Company shall, within Thirty Days after Notice in Writing for that Purpose, by the Town Clerk of the said City of *London*, shall have been left

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at the Office of the Clerk of the said Company, cause the said Mud, Sand, Dirt, or other Matter to be taken away and effectually removed; and in case the said Company shall neglect or refuse to cause the said Mud, Sand, Dirt, or other Matter to be removed effectually, it shall be lawful for the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, or the said Lord Mayor for the Time being, to employ other Persons to take away and remove the same, and the said Company shall, on Demand, pay to the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London* all Costs and Charges occasioned by the Removal thereof, and the same may be recovered from the said Company by an Action of Debt in any of His Majesty's Courts of Law at *Westminster*.

For obviating Danger to the Navigation of the River Thames.

V. And be it further enacted, That in case the said Pier Wharf or Jetty shall not be completed and finished by the said Company within the Time limited by this Act, or in case at any Time after the same shall have been completed and finished it shall not be kept in proper Repair, and shall become a Nuisance or an Impediment to the safe Navigation of the said River *Thames*, and the said Company shall not, within Thirty Days after a Notice in Writing for that Purpose shall bave been left at the Office of the Clerk of the said Company, immediately proceed to repair the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, or shall refuse to repair the same, and render it free from all Danger to the Navigation of Ships and Vessels, as the Case may be, then and in either of the said Cases it shall be lawful for the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, or the said Lord Mayor for the Time being, to employ Persons to take away and remove the Materials of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and to sell and employ the same for the Purposes of the Improvement of the Navigation of the said River *Thames*.

Payment to be made to the City of London for cutting into and communicating with the River Thames.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the said Company shall pay to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London* the Sum of Five Pounds Five Shillings, as a Fine or Acknowledgment for the Liberty of cutting and digging the Bank or Wall and Shore and Bed of the River *Thames*, and of communicating therewith, and also pay to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City, their Successors, Collectors, or Assigns, for and during the Continuance of the said Term of Eighty Years, and so long thereafter as the said Pier shall continue the Property of the said Company, their Successors or Assigns, an annual Rent or Sum of Five Pounds Five Shillings, after the said Bank or Wall, and Shore and Bed, shall be cut and dug, and the Communication completed, for the Purposes aforesaid; and such annual Sum is hereby charged upon and made payable by and may be recovered from the said Company by Action of Debt in any of His Majesty's Courts of Law at *Westminster;* and after the said Pier Wharf or Jetty shall have ceased to be the Property of the said Company, their Successors or Assigns, then the Commissioners of *Greenwich* Hospital and their Successors shall pay to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City, their Successors, Collectors, or Assigns for ever, an annual Rent or Sum of Five Pounds Five Shillings, which annual Sum is hereby charged upon and made payable by and may be recovered

vered from such Person or Persons by Action of Debt in any of His Majesty's Courts of Law at *Westminster*.

Act may be put in execution immediately on the passing thereof.

VII. And whereas the probable Expences of carrying the Purposes of this Act into execution will, according to the Estimate thereof, amount to the Sum of Fifteen thousand Pounds, which said Sum of Fifteen thousand Pounds has already been subscribed by several Persons, under a Contract binding them, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, for Payment of the several Sums so subscribed by them respectively; be it therefore further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act the Powers and Provisions herein contained may be put in execution.

Company to raise 15,000*l.* among themselves.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company of Proprietors to raise and contribute among themselves any Sum or Sums of Money for constructing, making, carrying on, completing, and maintaining the Works hereby authorized to be made, not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Fifteen thousand Pounds, and the same shall be divided into Fifteen hundred equal Shares of Ten Pounds each, and such Shares shall be numbered in regular numerical Progression, and every Share shall for ever afterwards be distinguished by the Number to be appointed for the same; and the said Fifteen hundred Shares shall be and they are hereby vested in the several Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, subscribing for and undertaking to raise and contribute the same, and their respective Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, to and for their own respective Use and Benefit, according and proportionably to the Number of Shares which they shall respectively subscribe for and undertake to raise and contribute; and all Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, and their respective Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, who shall subscribe for any such Share or Shares in the said Undertaking, and pay such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be demanded on account thereof towards the carrying on and completing the same, shall be entitled to and receive a due and just Proportion, according to their respective Number of Shares, of the clear Profits and Advantages which shall or may arise or accrue by or from the Rates, Tolls, Duties, and other Monies to be raised, recovered, or received by virtue of this Act, as and when the same shall be divided, according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof; and shall also from Time to Time bear and pay a like due and just Proportion of the Money requisite for carrying on the said Undertaking, in the Manner herein-after directed: Provided always, that all such Shares shall, to all Intents and Purposes, be deemed to be Personal Estate and Effects, and shall be transmissible accordingly.

Names of Proprietors and Numbers of their Shares to be entered in a Book.

IX. And for the better securing to the several Subscribers towards the said Undertaking their respective Shares therein, be it further enacted, That the Directors of the said Company herein-after appointed shall, as soon as the same can be done, cause the Names and Additions of the several Persons who shall be entitled to any Share or Shares in the said Undertaking, and the Number of Shares to which they shall be respectively entitled, and also the proper Number by which every such Share shall be distinguished, to be entered in a

Register Book, to be kept by the Clerk of the said Company, and after such Entry made to cause the Common Seal of the said Company to be affixed thereto; which said Book shall from Time to Time be altered and corrected, and new Books shall from Time to Time be sealed with the Common Seal, as the Change of Proprietors and Transfer of Shares shall render the same necessary or expedient.

Subscribers to pay their Subscriptions.

X. And be it further enacted, That the respective Persons who have subscribed or who shall or may hereafter subscribe any Money for and towards the said Undertaking, or shall be the Proprietor or Proprietors of any Share or Shares in the said Undertaking, shall and they are hereby respectively required to pay the Sum or Sums by them respectively subscribed, or such Parts and Proportions thereof as shall from Time to Time be called for by the said Directors for the Time being by virtue of the Powers and Directions of this Act, to such Persons, at such Times and Places, and in such Manner as shall be ordered by the said Directors; and in case any of such Subscribers shall neglect or refuse to pay the same at the Time and Place and in the Manner so required for that Purpose, the said Directors are hereby empowered to sue for and recover the same, with Interest after the Rate of Five Pounds *per Centum per Annum* from the Time appointed for Payment thereof, in any Court of Law.

Shares may be sold.

XI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the several Proprietors of Shares in the said Undertaking, and their respective Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to sell and dispose of any Share to which they may be entitled therein, subject to the Rules and Conditions herein mentioned; the Transfer of which Share shall be in the Form or to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

Form of Transfer.

'I of , in consideration
'of paid to me by
'of , do hereby bargain, sell, assign, and transfer
'to the said , his Executors, Administrators, and
'Assigns, Share [*or* Shares] of and in the Joint
'Stock or Capital of "The *Greenwich* Pier Company," being Num-
'ber of the Shares in the said Undertaking, to hold to
'the said , his Executors, Administrators, and
'Assigns, subject to the same Rules, Orders, and Restrictions, and
'on the same Conditions, as I held the same immediately before the
'Execution hereof; and I the said do hereby
'agree to accept and take the said Share [*or* Shares], subject to the
'same Rules, Orders, Restrictions, and Conditions. As witness our
'Hands and Seals the Day of .'

Transfer of Shares to be registered.

And on every such Sale the said Transfer, being executed by the Seller and the Purchaser of such Share, shall be kept by the Purchaser for his Security, after the Clerk to the said Company shall have registered in a proper Book, to be provided by the said Company, and kept for that Purpose, a Memorial of such Transfer and Sale, for the Use of the said Company, and shall have endorsed the Registry of such Memorial in the said Transfer, for which Five Shillings and no more shall be paid, and the said Clerk is hereby required to register the same accordingly; and until the same shall have

have been registered, as herein-before directed, such Purchaser shall have no Part of the Profit of the said Undertaking, nor any Dividends on such Share paid to him, nor any Vote in respect thereof as a Proprietor of the said Undertaking.

No Shares to be sold after a Call made until the same is paid.

XII. And be it further enacted, That after any Call for Money shall have been made as aforesaid no Person shall sell or transfer any Share which he shall possess in the said Undertaking, upon pain of forfeiting his Share therein to the said Company, in Trust for the Benefit of all the said Proprietors, unless he, at the Time of such Sale or Transfer, shall have paid and discharged to the Treasurer of the said Company the whole and entire Sum of Money which shall have been called for upon such Share so sold and transferred, such Forfeiture nevertheless to be declared in the Manner herein directed.

Regulations as to Acquisition of Shares.

XIII. And whereas much Inconvenience may arise by the frequent Transfer of the Shares of and in the said Undertaking, by the Marriage or Death of Proprietors, and it may be difficult in such Cases to ascertain to whom the Dividends arising or becoming due upon such Shares ought to be paid and do belong; be it therefore further enacted, That before any Person who shall claim any Part of the Benefits of the said Undertaking in right of Marriage shall be entitled to receive the same, or to vote in respect of any Share, a Declaration shall be made before a Master or Master Extraordinary in Chancery, or One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the said Company, who shall file the same, and make an Entry thereof in the Book which shall be kept by the said Clerk for the Entry of Transfers and Sales of Shares in the said Undertaking; and before any Person who shall claim any Part of the Profits of the said Undertaking by virtue of any Bequest or Will or in the course of Administration shall be entitled to receive the same, or to vote in respect of any Share, the said Will, or the Probate thereof, or the Letters of Administration, shall be produced and shewn to the said Clerk, or a Copy of so much of such Will as shall relate to the Share or Shares of the Testator shall be made and sworn to by the Executor of such Will before a Master or Master Extraordinary in Chancery, or One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and shall also be transmitted to the said Clerk, who shall file and enter the same in the Manner herein mentioned; and in all Cases other than as herein-before mentioned, where the Right and Property in any Share in the said Undertaking shall pass from the original Proprietor thereof to any Person by any other legal Means than by a Transfer and Assignment thereof, as herein directed, a Declaration shall be made by Two credible Persons before a Master or Master Extraordinary in Chancery, or One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, stating the Manner in which such Share or Shares hath or have passed to such other Person or Persons; and such Declaration shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the said Company, who shall thereupon enter and register the Name of every such new Proprietor in the Register Book or List of Proprietors in the said Undertaking.

Persons whose Names appear in the Register

XIV. And be it further enacted, That the Bodies Politic and Corporate, and every Person whose Name shall stand in the said Register

Book to be deemed to be Proprietors of the Shares standing in their Names.

Register Book or List of Proprietors of the said Undertaking, as a Proprietor of any Share in the said Undertaking, shall be deemed and taken to be the Proprietor of the several Shares standing in the said Book in his respective Name, and shall be subject and liable to the Payment of every Call made and to be made thereon, and to all Actions, Suits, Forfeitures, and Penalties to which such Proprietors of Shares in the said Undertaking are hereby made subject and liable; and all Notices by this Act required to be given previous to the Forfeiture of Shares to the Proprietors thereof shall, if given to the Person appearing by the Register Book of the said Company to be such Proprietor, or his Representative, be in all respects good, sufficient, and conclusive, and all Payments of Interests and Dividends due and to grow due on any such Shares shall be made to such Person as by the said Book shall appear to be the Proprietor thereof.

The Company may buy up Shares, and sell them again.

XV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors for the Time being, if they shall deem it expedient, out of any surplus Monies or otherwise, to buy up any Share in the said Undertaking which shall be offered for Sale; and in such Case it shall be lawful for them either to direct that any such Share so bought shall merge in the said Undertaking, or that the same shall be transferred to the Clerk of the said Company, in Trust for the said Company, and such Share may in such last-mentioned Case at any Time thereafter be sold for the Benefit of the said Company, and for the raising of any Sum of Money which may be wanted for or or towards the erecting, making, maintaining, or repairing of any Building or Works belonging to the said Undertaking, or any other Purpose necessary for carrying on the same.

For raising Money by Mortgage.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That in case the said Company shall be desirous of raising by Mortgage upon the Credit of the said Undertaking a further Sum not exceeding the Sum of Five thousand Pounds, and shall make an Order or enter into a Resolution to that Effect at any General or Special General Meeting of the said Company to be called for that Purpose, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for the Directors of the said Company, pursuant to such Order or Resolution, to borrow or take up at Interest any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five thousand Pounds, or any Part thereof, upon the Credit of the said Undertaking, as to them shall seem meet and convenient; and the said Directors are hereby accordingly fully authorized and empowered to assign over by way of Mortgage to any Person lending any such Money the several Tolls, Rates, and Duties to be raised under and by virtue of this Act, or any Part thereof, (the Costs and Charges of which Assignments shall be paid out of the said Tolls, Rates, and Duties,) as a Security for the Sum of Money so to be borrowed, together with Interest for the same, unto the Person who shall lend and advance any such Sum of Money for the Use of the said Company, or unto his Trustee; all which Assignments and Mortgages shall be made by Deed in Writing under the Common Seal of the said Company in the Form or to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

'BY

Form of Mortgage.

'BY virtue of an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled [*here insert the Title of this Act*], We, the *Greenwich* Pier Company, incorporated by virtue of the said Act, in consideration of the Sum of of lawful Money of *Great Britain* to us paid by do hereby assign unto the said his [*or* her] Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, all and singular the Tolls, Rates, and Duties granted or arising and payable to us by virtue of the said Act, and all the Estate, Right, Title, and Interest of us the said Company of, in, to, or out of the same respectively, to hold unto the said his [*or* her] Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, until the said Sum of together with Interest for the same, after the Rate of *per Centum per Annum*, shall be fully paid and satisfied to him [*or* her]. Given under our Common Seal this Day of .'

And all Persons to whom any such Mortgage shall be made shall be equally entitled one with the other to the said Tolls, Rates, Duties, and Premises thereby assigned, according and in proportion to the Sums by them respectively lent and advanced on the Credit thereof as aforesaid, without any Preference by reason of Priority of the Date of any such Assignment or Mortgage, or upon any other Account whatsoever; and the Money so to be borrowed as aforesaid shall be applied and disposed for or towards the carrying the Intents and Purposes of this Act into execution; and a Memorial of every such Mortgage, containing the Date and Name of the Person to whom made, the Sum of Money borrowed, and the Rate of Interest, shall be entered in a Book to be kept by the Clerk to the said Comprny, or such other Person as the Directors thereof for the Time being shall appoint.

Mortgages may be transferred.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That every Person to whom any such Mortgage shall be made, or who shall be entitled to the Money thereby secured, shall and may from Time to Time assign, transfer, and set over his, her, or their Right, Title, or Interest therein unto any Person whomsoever, either by Indorsement thereon or otherwise; which Transfer shall be by Deed, and may be made in the Form or to the Effect following; that is to say,

'I in consideration of the Sum of to me paid by of do hereby transfer the within Mortgage, [*or* a certain Mortgage made to me by "The *Greenwich* Pier Company," bearing Date the Day of], and the Principal Sum of thereby secured, and the Interest now due and hereafter to grow due for the same, and all my Right and Property therein, unto the said his [*or her*] Executors, Administrators, and Assigns. Dated this Day of .'

Transfers to be notified to the Clerk.

And every such Transfer shall within Fourteen Days from the making thereof be produced and notified to the Clerk of the said Company

Company for the Time being, or any other Person whom the Directors may appoint, who shall enter a Memorial of the same or cause the same to be entered in a Book to be kept for that Purpose, in like Manner as the original Mortgage; and after such Entry made, but not till then, every such Transfer shall entitle every such Assignee, his Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, to the Benefit of the Mortgage so transferred, and the Payment thereon, and such Assignees respectively may transfer the same again, and so *toties quoties*; and it shall not be in the Power of any Person who shall have made any such Transfer to make void, release, or discharge the same, or any Monies thereby due or to become due, or any Part thereof.

Interest on Money borrowed to be paid half yearly.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That the Interest of the Money which shall be borrowed or obtained on such Mortgages as aforesaid from the Time that the Money therein respectively mentioned shall be advanced thereon, shall be paid half-yearly, by the said Company or the Directors thereof, or the Treasurer of the said Company, or One of them, or by some Person appointed for that Purpose from Time to Time, by the said Directors, and without Abatement or Delay, and before any Dividend shall be paid to any of the Proprietors of Shares in the said Undertaking.

Monies borrowed on Mortgage may be repaid on giving Notice.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors may at all Times pay off and discharge all such Mortgages, or any of them, or any Part thereof, when and as they shall think proper, upon giving Three Calendar Months Notice, under the Hand of the Clerk of the Company for the Time being, or of such other Person as the Directors from Time to Time may appoint, to the Persons then respectively entitled to the same, such Notice to be left at his last known Dwelling House or Place of Abode, or upon giving Three Calendar Months public Notice in the *London Gazette*, and in One or more public Newspaper or Newspapers published or usually circulated in *London* or the County of *Kent*, and which Notice shall express the Principal Monies to be paid off, and that the same will be paid, with the Interest due thereon, at a Place to be specified in such Notice, at the Expiration of Three Calendar Months after such Notice given; and the Interest of the Principal Money to be paid off shall from and after the End of the said Three Calendar Months cease and be no longer paid or payable, unless the Money shall be demanded pursuant to such Notice and not paid; but the Principal Money in respect whereof such Notice shall be given, and also the Interest thereof to the End of the said Three Calendar Months, shall nevertheless be payable, on Demand, to the Person entitled to receive the same.

Mortgages to be paid off by Ballot.

XX. And in order that no Preference may be given to any of the Persons who shall have advanced or lent Money upon Mortgage upon Credit of the said Tolls or Duties, be it further enacted, That the said Directors shall cause the respective Numbers of all Mortgages of the said Tolls or Duties, of which Part shall be then intended to be paid off, to be written upon distinct Pieces of Paper of equal Size, and all such Papers shall be rolled up in the same Form, or as near as may be

be possible, and be put into a Box or Wheel, and the Number of each Assignment or Security shall be drawn separately out of the Box or Wheel by the Clerk to the said Directors, and the Mortgage or Mortgages which shall be first drawn from the said Box or Wheel shall be paid off accordingly.

If any Mortgages are paid off, others may be issued.

XXI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in case the said Company or the Directors thereof shall call in or pay off any Mortgage issued as herein mentioned, it shall be lawful for the said Directors, by and with the Consent of a General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the said Company, to raise or take up at Interest on similar Mortgages other Sums of Money for the Purposes of this Act, so that the whole Amount of Money to be due and owing by the said Company on Mortgage shall not at any Time exceed the Sum of Five thousand Pounds, as herein limited.

Application of the Money to be raised.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That the Money so to be raised as aforesaid, or a sufficient Part thereof, shall be applied, in the first place, in Payment, Satisfaction, and Discharge of the Costs, Charges, and Expences attending the obtaining and passing of this Act, and for the making of proper Surveys, Plans, and Estimates, and the doing and providing all other the Matters and Things preparatory and previous thereto; and all the Residue of such Money, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, shall be applied and disposed of for or towards the carrying the Intents and Purposes of this Act into full and complete Execution.

First and other General Meetings of the Company.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That the First General Meeting of the said Company for putting this Act into execution shall be held at *Greenwich* in the County of *Kent* within Sixty Days after the passing of this Act, of which Meeting not less than Seven Days Notice shall be given by public Advertisement in some One or more Newspaper or Newspapers published or usually circulated within the said County, or otherwise as the Directors hereby appointed shall direct, which Notice the said Directors are hereby authorized to give; and there shall be held in each and every Year after the passing of this Act One General Meeting of Shareholders at such Place as the said Company at the preceding General Meeting shall from Time to Time direct and appoint, of which future General Meeting not less than Fourteen Days Notice (both Days inclusive) shall be given by public Advertisement in such public Newspaper or Newspapers as herein-before mentioned, or in such other Manner as the said Company at their respective General Meetings shall direct; and at every such General Meeting Business shall be proceeded with so soon as Ten or more Proprietors possessing One hundred and fifty Shares at least amongst them shall be present; and all such Orders and Determinations of General Meetings of the said Company as shall be authorized by this Act, and which shall be made by a Majority of Voters at such Meetings respectively, shall be binding and conclusive on all Parties to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever; and all General Meetings and Special General Meetings of the Company may be adjourned from Time to Time, and from Place to Place, as shall be found expedient.

XXIV. And

Special General Meetings of Proprietors how to be called.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That if it shall at any Time appear to the said Directors, or to Ten or more of the Proprietors holding in the Aggregate Three hundred Shares at the least in the said Undertaking, to be necessary or expedient to call a Special General Meeting of the Proprietors, it shall be lawful for the said Directors, pursuant to an Order or Resolution for that Purpose to be made at any Meeting of the said Directors, or for any Ten or more of the Proprietors holding in the Aggregate Three hundred Shares at the least in the said Undertaking, to call a Special General Meeting of the Proprietors at large by public Advertisement in some Newspaper published or usually circulated in the said County of *Kent*, or otherwise as the said Directors shall direct, specifying in such Advertisement the Cause of calling such Special General Meeting, and the Time and Place when and where the same shall be held, the Time not being less than Fourteen Days after such Notice shall be given, and such Place being where the next General Meeting of the said Company would be held, and not elsewhere; and the said Company are hereby authorized and required to meet according to such Notice, and proceed to Business so soon as Ten or more Proprietors possessing Three hundred Shares amongst them shall be present, and to take into consideration the Matters expressed in such Requisition and specified in such Notice; and the Determination of the Proprietors present at such Meeting, or the major Part of them, according to the Number of Votes they shall have a Right to give, shall be binding and conclusive upon the rest of the Proprietors to all Intents and Purposes, and shall be observed and acted upon accordingly: Provided always, that if at any such Special General Meeting Ten or more Proprietors shall not attend who shall possess amongst them Three hundred Shares at least, then such Meeting shall be adjourned to a future Day not exceeding Twenty-eight Days from the Day of such Meeting, of which Notice shall be given as aforesaid.

Chairman to be appointed at Meetings.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That at every such General or Special General Meeting as aforesaid One of the Directors then present, or in case no Director shall be present One of the Proprietors present, shall be appointed Chairman, by whom all Acts, Resolutions, and Orders of the said Meeting shall be signed; and such Chairman shall not only have a Vote as a Proprietor, but shall also, in case of an equal Division, have the decisive or casting Vote.

Proprietors entitled to vote in respect of their Shares.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That every Person, Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, who shall for the Time being be entitled to and be in the actual Possession of Three Shares of and in the said Undertaking, shall have in respect of such Three Shares of which he shall so be in Possession One Vote, in respect of Five Shares Two Votes, in respect of Ten Shares Three Votes, in respect of Twenty Shares Four Votes, and in respect of Thirty Shares and upwards Five Votes, at all Meetings of the said Company to be held in pursuance of this Act; and every Question, Matter, or Thing which shall be proposed, discussed, or considered at any Meeting of the said Company to be held in pursuance of this Act shall be determined by the Majority of Votes then present.

XXVII. And

Lunatics and Minors may vote by Committees or Guardians.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Proprietor entitled to vote at any Meeting of the said Company shall be a Lunatic or Minor, such Lunatic shall or may vote at such Meeting by his Committee or by any One of such Committee, and such Minor shall or may vote by his Guardian, and such Committee or Guardian may, if a Proprietor, also vote in right of his own Share as well as in the Character of a Committee for any Lunatic or of a Guardian of any Minor on the same Occasion.

Proprietors not entitled to vote in respect of Shares unless they are standing in their Names, nor until Calls are paid.

XXVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Proprietor of any Share in the said Undertaking shall be entitled to vote at any Meeting of the said Company in respect of such Share unless the same shall be standing in the Name of such Proprietor in the Register Book herein-before directed to be kept at and immediately before such Meeting, nor unless the Sums of Money from Time to Time to be called for by the Directors of the said Company, and due and payable at or before every such Meeting, in respect of any Share of such Proprietor, and all Arrears thereof, have been duly paid to the Treasurer of the said Company.

Accounts to be audited at General Meetings.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That at every General Meeting of the said Company an Account of all the Monies received, paid, laid out, and disbursed respecting the Works hereby authorized to be made, by the Directors, or by the Clerk, Treasurer, Collector, and other Persons whomsoever employed in or about the said Undertaking, brought up to the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* in every Year before such General Meeting, shall be laid before the said Proprietors, to be audited and settled.

Board of Directors to be constituted.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That a Board of Directors consisting of Ten Persons, being Members of the said Company; shall be constituted and appointed, and from Time to Time kept up, for the better managing the Affairs and Business of the said Company, and that Sir *Richard Dobson*, *Thomas Kinsman Bryan*, *Robert Wintle Innes*, *Honeyman Macqueen Mackay*, *George Martyr*, *Henry Mathew*, *Thomas Calvert Morton*, *Mathew James Popplewell*, *Graham Simson*, and *John Sutton*; being Members of the said Company, shall be and they are hereby constituted and appointed the Directors in the first instance; and each of such Directors so appointed as aforesaid, being neither removed or disqualified, and not resigning, shall continue in Office until the General Meeting of the said Company which shall be held next after One Year from the Completion of the Works by this Act authorized to be done, and until other Directors shall be elected in their Stead in pursuance of this Act.

Directors to go out by rotation.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That at the Second General Meeting to be held next after the Completion of the Works by this Act authorized to be done Five of the Persons hereby appointed Directors as aforesaid, to be determined by Lot amongst themselves, shall go out of Office, and cease to be Directors of the said Company, and Five other Persons, who shall respectively be possessed of Twenty Shares at least in the said Undertaking shall be elected by the said Company to be Directors in their Place and Stead; and at

the General Meeting to be held in every subsequent Year Five of the Directors who shall have been longest in Office shall in like Manner go out of Office and cease to be Directors of the said Company, and their Places shall be supplied in like Manner: Provided always, that every Director who shall by Ballot or Rotation go out of Office on any Day of Election may be immediately or at any future Time re-elected a Director of the said Company.

Qualification and Disqualification of Directors.

XXXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Proprietor shall be eligible to be elected a Director who shall not possess at least Twenty Shares of the Stock of the said Company, and any Director who shall cease to possess Twenty Shares of the said Stock shall become disqualified, and shall *ipso facto* cease to be a Director; and if any Person who shall be elected a Director of the said Company shall at any Time subsequently to his Election accept or continue to hold any other Office, or any Place of Trust or Profit under the said Company, or shall either directly or indirectly be concerned in any Contract for any Article to be used or consumed by the said Company, or shall offer to take and succeed in taking, or shall participate in any Manner in any Work to be done for the said Company, every such Person shall thereby become disqualified from voting or acting at any succeeding Meeting of such Directors, and his Office shall thereupon become vacant.

Meetings of Directors.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That the Directors hereinbefore appointed shall hold their First Meeting at such Place and Time as they or the Majority of them shall appoint, and the Directors for the Time being shall thenceforth meet at such Place and at such Time as the major Part present at any of their Meetings from Time to Time to be holden shall deem convenient for executing the Powers vested in them by this Act; and the Directors for the Time being, or any Five of them so assembled as aforesaid, shall constitute a Meeting of Directors; and the said Directors at their said several Meetings shall appoint a Chairman from amongst themselves, who in case of an Equality of Votes upon any Question or Occasion (including the Vote of such Chairman) shall have the decisive or casting Vote, and the said Directors shall and they are hereby authorized and empowered to enter into and make such Contracts or Agreements with any Agent or other Person in and about or for carrying on the said Works hereby authorized to be made, or any of them, or any Part thereof, as shall be thought expedient, and to enter into and to make all such Contracts, Bargains, and Agreements whatsoever, touching or in anywise concerning the said Undertaking, as they shall think proper, and to order and direct how the several Works shall from Time to Time be carried on, and also from Time to Time to use the Common Seal of the said Company, in such Manner and for such Purposes as they shall think fit, and generally to direct and manage all and singular the Affairs and Business of the said Company, and to do, execute, and perform all Acts, Matters, and Things which are by this Act authorized and empowered to be done, except such only as are hereby expressly directed to be done by the Proprietors at their Meetings to be held as herein mentioned.

XXXIV. And

Directors to appoint Treasurer and other Officers, and to take Security from them.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors to appoint a Treasurer, Clerk, Superintendent, Surveyor, Pier Master, Collector, Receiver, and Watchman, and such other Officers and Persons as they shall find necessary for the Purposes of this Act; and the said Directors are hereby required to take such Security from their Treasurer, Collector, and Receiver, and from such other Persons and Officers, or any of them, as to the said Directors shall seem right and proper for the Execution of their respective Office; and it shall be lawful for the said Directors from Time to Time to remove or suspend such Officers and Persons, or any of them, and appoint another or others in the Room of such as shall be removed or suspended, or shall die or resign or become incapable of performing their Office, and out of the Monies applicable to the Purposes of this Act to pay or allow such Salaries or Recompence to such Officers and Persons respectively, during or after the Period of their Service or Employment, as to the said Directors shall from Time to Time seem reasonable.

Treasurer and Clerk not to be the same Person.

XXXV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Directors to appoint the Person who may be appointed to act as their Clerk in the Execution of this Act, or the Partner of any such Clerk, or the Clerk of or any other Person in the Service or Employ of any such Clerk or of his Partner, the Treasurer for the Purposes of this Act, or to appoint the Person who 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 his Partner, the Clerk to the said Company; 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 of or any other Person in the Service or Employ of any such Clerk or of his Partner, shall act as Treasurer, or shall act as Deputy of such Treasurer, or in any Manner officiate for the Treasurer, or the Partner of any such Treasurer, or the Clerk or any other Person in the Service or Employ of such Treasurer, or the Clerk or any other Person in the Service or Employ of the Partner of any such Treasurer, shall act as Clerk in the Execution of this Act, or shall act as Deputy of such Clerk, or in any Manner officiate for such Clerk, or if any Treasurer shall hold any Place of Profit or Trust under the said Company other than that of Treasurer, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds to any Person who shall sue for the same, to be recovered, together with full Costs of Suit, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt or on the Case, or by Bill, Suit, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed.

Proceedings at Meetings to be entered.

XXXVI. And be it further enacted, That the Clerk of the said Company shall, in a proper Book to be provided by the Directors for that Purpose, enter all Acts, Orders, Proceedings, and Transactions of every Meeting as well of the said Company as of the Directors thereof, the Entry of which Acts, Orders, Proceedings, and Transactions shall, when signed by the Chairman of each such Meeting, be

be deemed and taken to be original Acts, Orders, and Proceedings, and shall be allowed to be read in Evidence in all Courts, and before all Judges, Justices, and others.

Books of Account to be kept.

XXXVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors shall enter or cause to be entered in a Book to be provided for that Purpose, and kept by their Clerk for the Time being, a full and true Account of all Monies disbursed and Payments made, and of every Sum of Money which shall be received on behalf or in respect of the said Undertaking, by or from any Person whomsoever employed in the said Undertaking, or having any Concerns, Dealings, or Transactions with the said Company, relating to the same; and every such Book, and all other Books, Papers, and Writings belonging to the said Company, shall at all seasonable Times be open to the Inspection of any of the Proprietors of the said Undertaking, or of any Creditor for any Money to be borrowed under this Act, without Fee or Reward; and the Proprietors or any Creditor as aforesaid shall and may take Copies of or Extracts from the said Book or any Part thereof, without paying any thing for the same; and in case the said Clerk shall refuse to permit or shall not permit the said Proprietors or any such Creditor to inspect any such Book, or to take any such Copies or Extracts as aforesaid, such Clerk shall forfeit and pay any Sum of Money not exceeding Five Pounds, to be levied and applied in the same Manner as other Penalties are by this Act directed to be levied and applied.

Officers to account and deliver up Papers, &c. when required.

XXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That every Treasurer, Clerk, Collector, Receiver, and other Officer and Servant of the said Company shall, at such Time and in such Manner as the said Directors shall appoint or direct, deliver to the said Directors, or to such Person as they shall appoint, true and perfect Accounts in Writing of all Matters and Things committed to his Charge; and of all Monies which shall have been received by such Officer and Person respectively, by virtue and for the Purposes of this Act, and how much thereof hath been paid, laid out, and disbursed, and for what Purposes, together with the Receipts or Vouchers for such Payments, and shall pay over all such Balances or Sums of Money as shall remain in his Hands to the said Directors, or to such Person as they shall appoint; and if any such Officer or Person shall refuse or neglect to make and render any such Accounts, or to produce and deliver up such Receipts or Vouchers, or to make such Payments as aforesaid, or shall not deliver to the said Directors, or to such Person as they shall appoint, within Twenty-one Days after being thereunto required by the said Directors, all Books, Papers, and Writings in his Custody or Power relating to the said Undertaking, or shall refuse or neglect to pay such Monies as upon the Balance of any Account or Accounts shall appear to be in his Hands, to the said Directors, or as they shall order or appoint, then and in any of the Cases aforesaid the said Directors may and they are hereby authorized and empowered to bring or cause to be brought any Action or Actions at Law or Suit or Suits in Equity, against the Officer or Person so neglecting or refusing as aforesaid, for the Recovery of the Monies that shall be in the Hands of such Officer or Person;

Person; or if any Complaint shall be made by the said Directors, or by any such Person as they shall respectively appoint for that Purpose, of any such Refusal or Neglect as aforesaid, to any of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County and Place wherein such Officer or Person shall be or reside, such Justice may and he is hereby authorized and required to summon such Officer or Person so neglecting or refusing to appear before him, and upon his appearing, or having been summoned and not appearing, without giving some reasonable Excuse for such Nonappearance to the Satisfaction of such Justice, or not being to be found, to hear and determine the Matter in a summary Way; and if upon the Confession of the Party, or by the Testimony of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses upon Oath, or being of the Society of Quakers upon solemn Affirmation, which Oath or Affirmation such Justice is hereby required and empowered to administer, it shall appear to such Justice that any of the Monies which shall have been collected or raised by virtue of this Act shall be in the Hands of such Officer or Person, such Justice may and is hereby authorized and required, upon Nonpayment thereof, by a 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 no Goods or Chattels of such Officer or Person against whom such Warrant shall be granted can be found sufficient to answer and satisfy the said Money, and the Charges of making and levying such Distress and Sale, or if such Officer or Person shall persist in refusing or neglecting to deliver up all such Books, Papers, and Writings as aforesaid, to the said Directors, or as they shall appoint, then and in any of the Cases aforesaid such Justice shall commit every such Offender to any Common Gaol or House of Correction for the County or Place wherein such Officer or Person shall be or reside, at the Discretion of such Justice, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize until he shall give and make a true and perfect Account and make Payment as aforesaid, or until he shall compound with the said Directors and shall have paid such Composition in such Manner as the said Directors shall appoint, and which Composition the said Directors are hereby authorized to make and receive, and until he shall deliver up such Books, Papers, and Writings as aforesaid, or give Satisfaction in respect thereof to the said Directors: Provided always, that no such Officer or Person who shall be committed to any such Common Gaol or House of Correction for Want of sufficient Distress shall be confined or detained therein by virtue of this Act for any longer Space of Time than Three Calendar Months: Provided also, that if any Money shall remain due from such Officer or Person, the Commitment of him to Prison shall not be deemed a Discharge for the same, nor exonerate his Surety or Sureties, but such Officer or Person, and his Surety or Sureties, shall remain liable to the Payment thereof in the same Manner as if such Officer or Person had not been committed to Prison.

For recovering Books, &c. from Executors of Officers.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That in case of the Death of any Officer or other Person to be appointed as aforesaid, or of his becoming bankrupt or insolvent, before he shall have delivered up all Books, Papers, Writings, and other Things concerning his Office, or relating

relating to the Execution of this Act, then and in every such Case the Executor or Administrator of such Officer or other Person, or the Assignee of his Estate and Effects, or other Person possessing the same, or in whom the same have or hath vested, shall deliver up to the said Directors, or to any Person appointed by them to demand and receive the same, all such Books, Papers, Writings, and other Things; and in case of default for the Space of Twenty-one Days after the same shall be demanded it shall be lawful for such Directors to commence and prosecute any Action or Suit in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, against such Executor, Administrator, Assignee, or other Person possessing the Estate and Effects which did belong to such deceased Person or Bankrupt or Insolvent, for Recovery of Damages for the Nondelivery of such Books, Papers, Writings, and Things, together with full Costs of Suit.

Agents, Collectors, &c. to give Possession of Houses, &c. when removed.

XL. And be it further enacted, That if any Agent, Toll Collector, or other Servant of the said Company, occupying any House, Offices, or Buildings belonging to the said Company, shall be discharged from his Office, and shall not deliver up the Possession of such House, Offices, or Buildings, with the Appurtenances and other Matters and Things in his Custody, Power, or Possession, within Twenty-one Days next after Notice of such Discharge shall be given to him, or left at such House, Offices, or Buildings; or if the Wife or Family of any such Agent, Toll Collector, or other Servant who shall happen to die while in the Service of the said Company shall refuse or neglect to deliver up the Possession of such House, Offices, or Buildings, with the Appurtenances as aforesaid, and other Matters and Things belonging to the said Company, in his Custody, Power, or Possession, within Seven Days after another Person shall have been appointed in the Place and Stead of such Person so dying, or having been discharged, then and in either of the said Cases it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace for the County or Place wherein the Premises shall be situate, and he is hereby required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to order any Constable or other Peace Officer, with such Assistance as shall be necessary, to enter such House, Offices, or Buildings in the Day-time, and to remove the Person who shall be found therein, together with his Goods and Chattels, out of such House, Offices, or Buildings, and to take Possession of all Matters and Things belonging to the said Company which shall be found therein, and to deliver the Possession of such House, Offices, or Buildings, together with such Matters and Things found therein, and belonging to the said Company, to the newly-appointed Agent, Toll Collector, or other Servant, or other such Person as the said Directors shall appoint to receive the same.

Penalty on Officers taking Fees, other than those allowed by the Directors.

XLI. And be it further enacted, That if any Clerk, Treasurer, Surveyor, or Collector, or other Officer or Person employed by the said Company or the Directors thereof, for the Purposes of this Act, shall exact or demand, take or accept, any Fee, Emolument, or Reward whatsoever, other than such Fees, Salary, or Allowance as shall be appointed and allowed by the said Directors for or on account of any thing done by virtue of this Act, or for forbearing to do any thing

thing ordered or directed by the said Directors, or on any other Account whatsoever relative his Employment or Duty, or shall be concerned or interested in any Bargain or Contract made by the said Directors for the Purposes of this Act, (unless with the Consent and Approbation of the said Directors,) every such Person so offending shall be incapable afterwards of serving or being employed under the said Company or Directors, and shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds for every such Offence to any Person who shall sue for the same, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, within Three Calendar Months next after the Offence committed, with full Costs of Suit, in which Suit or Prosecution no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed.

Directors empowered to make Bye Laws.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors from Time to Time to make, frame, ordain, and establish, revoke, repeal, annul, or alter, such Bye Laws, Rules, Orders, and Regulations as they shall think fit for the good Government of the said Company, and their Treasurer, Clerk, Collectors, Officers, Workmen, and Servants to be employed in or about the Affairs or Business of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, Avenues, Approaches, or other Works to be made by virtue of this Act, and for lighting the same, and for the Convenience of Persons walking upon or landing or embarking therefrom, or shipping or landing Goods, Wares, and Baggage or other Articles at or from the same, and for the Regulation and ordering the shipping or landing of Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, and the Nature of the Goods, Wares, and Merchandize which may or may not be shipped or landed, and the Mode and Time of shipping and landing the same, and for the Regulation of the mooring and Stations of Ships, Vessels, and Boats resorting thereto for the Purpose of landing or embarking, and for the well-governing, ordering, and managing of the Officers and Crews of such Ships, Vessels, and Boats, and the Boatmen, Servants, and others employed therein or belonging thereto, and for the governing and regulating Porters, Carters, Carmen, and others carrying Goods, or using or driving Horses, Waggons, Carts, Trucks, Sledges, or other Carriages, for conveying Passengers, Goods, Wares, and Merchandize to or from the said Pier Wharf, for the Convenience of the Persons using or resorting to the same or otherwise, in regard to the several Works to be made under and by virtue of this Act, and for managing the several Concerns of the said Company; which Bye Laws, Rules, Orders, and Regulations shall be and remain in full Force until and unless the same shall be repealed, amended, or altered from Time to Time by the Directors for the Time being of the said Company, or by the Proprietors or Members of the said Company, at any Special General Meeting to be held as herein directed, and to impose and inflict reasonable Fines and Forfeitures upon all Persons offending against such Bye Laws, Rules, Orders, and Regulations, or any of them, not exceeding the Sum of Five Pounds for any One Offence, to be recovered in manner herein-after mentioned; and all such Bye Laws, Rules, Orders, and Regulations, and all Alterations thereof, shall be reduced into Writing under the Common Seal of the said Company, and signed by the Clerk, and shall be printed,

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and shall be binding upon and be observed by all Persons using or in anywise concerned in the said Undertaking, and shall be sufficient in any Court of Law or Equity to justify all Persons who shall act upon the same; provided that such Bye Laws, Rules, Orders, and Regulations, be not repugnant to the Laws of *England*, or any of the express Directions or Provisions of this Act; and provided that such of the said Bye Laws, Rules, Orders, and Regulations as relate to the Regulation of the mooring and Stations of Ships, Vessels, and Boats resorting to the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and for the well-governing, ordering, and managing of the Officers and Crews of such Ships, Vessels, and Boats, and the Boatmen, Servants, and others employed therein or belonging thereto, and any Alteration Amendment, and Repeal thereof, be made with the Consent and Approbation in Writing of the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London*, and of the Corporation of the *Trinity House* of *Deptford Strond*; and provided that Copies of such of the said Bye Laws, Rules, Orders, and Regulations as shall concern or relate to the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, Avenues, Approaches, or other Works, or any of them, shall be painted on Boards, and affixed on some conspicuous Place on or near the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, Avenues, Approaches, or other Works, which Boards shall be renewed from Time to Time, when and so often as the same shall or may be obliterated or defaced.

Notice of Bye Laws to be given to Watermen's Company.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That when and as often as any Rules, Orders, or Bye Laws shall be made, altered, amended, or repealed as aforesaid, a Copy of such intended Rules, Orders, or Bye Laws, or Alterations, shall be sent to and left with the Clerk for the Time being of the Court of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants of the Company of Watermen and Lightermen of the River *Thames*, at least Ten Days before the same shall be laid before the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London* and the Corporation of the *Trinity House* of *Deptford Strond* as aforesaid, in order that the said Court of Master, Wardens, and Assistants may submit to the Consideration of the Directors of the said Company their Objections (if any) to such intended Rules, Orders, or Bye Laws, or Alterations; and in case the said Court of Master, Wardens, and Assistants shall not be satisfied with the Determination of the said Directors of the said Company, in consequence of any such Objections respectively, then the said Court of Master, Wardens, and Assistants may submit such Objections respectively to the Consideration of the said Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London*, and the said Corporation of the *Trinity House* of *Deptford Strond*, or either of them, who shall be requested to peruse and examine the same, before such intended Rules, Orders, or Bye Laws, or Alterations, shall be allowed as aforesaid.

Directors may appoint Committees.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors from Time to Time to nominate and appoint, out of their own Body, One or more Committee or Committees (every such Committee to consist of Three or more Persons) who shall have full Power and Authority to enter into and make any such Contracts or Agreements on behalf of the said Company, and to hire and employ any

any Agents, Workmen, and Servants in and about the said Undertaking, and to do, execute, and perform all other Matters and Things whatsoever in and about the said Undertaking which the said Directors are themselves herein authorized to do, or such of them as the said Directors shall think proper to intrust to the Care and Management of any such Committee or Committees (save and except nevertheless the making Calls for Money upon the Proprietors of the said Undertaking, which shall be done by the said Directors only, as herein-after directed); and it shall be lawful for the said Directors, by an Order or Resolution for that Purpose, at any Time to break up and dissolve any such Committee, or to remove or displace any Member thereof, and to appoint some other or others in his or their Place or Stead, when and so often as such Directors shall think proper and expedient; and every such Committee shall have full Power and Authority to meet from Time to Time, and adjourn from Place to Place, as they shall think proper, and as Occasion shall require, for effectuating the Purposes aforesaid; and all the Powers and Authorities thereby vested, or which shall by the said Directors be vested in any such Committee, within the Intent and Meaning of this Act, shall and may be exercised by the major Part of the Members present at their respective Meetings, the whole Number of Members present not being less than Three; and at all the Meetings of such Committees respectively one of the Members present shall be appointed Chairman; and all Questions shall be decided by the Majority of Votes, and the Chairman shall, besides his own Vote, have the casting one, in case of an equal Division, but no other Member shall have more than One Vote.

Directors may make Calls.

XLV. And be it further enacted, That the Directors for the Time being of the said Company shall have full Power and Authority from Time to Time, at any Meeting of the said Directors to be held in pursuance of this Act, to make such Calls of Money from the Proprietors of the said Undertaking, in order to defray the Expences of carrying on the same, as they shall from Time to Time find requisite for those Purposes, so that no such Calls shall be made except at a Distance of One Calendar Month at the least from each other, and so that Fourteen Days Notice at least shall be given of each Call in some Newspaper published or usually circulated in *London* or the said County of *Kent*, or otherwise as the said Directors shall from Time to Time order.

For enforcing Payment of Calls.

XLVI. And for the better enforcing the Payment of such Calls, be it further enacted, That if any Person upon whom any Call for Money shall or may be made under or by virtue of this Act, for or in respect of any Share in the said Undertaking, shall neglect or refuse to pay his rateable or proportionable Share of the Money to be called for and raised by virtue of this Act for the Space of Fourteen Days next ensuing any such Call, the Person so neglecting or refusing shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Shillings for every Share he shall have in the said Undertaking; and if such Person shall continue to neglect or refuse to pay his rateable or proportionable Share of the said Money to be called for and raised as aforesaid for the Space of Two Calendar Months next after such Call shall have been appointed

to be paid as aforesaid, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for the said Directors to declare all and every or any of the Shares of such Persons so neglecting or refusing as aforesaid to be forfeited, and from thenceforth the said Shares so declared to be forfeited as aforesaid, and also the Profits and Benefits thereof, and all Money advanced or paid in respect of such Shares, shall lapse to and become vested in the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, and all such Shares so forfeited shall be sold at a public Sale by the said Directors for the most Money that can be got for the same, and the Monies arising from such Sale shall be applied in manner by this Act directed: Provided always, that no Share of and in the said Undertaking shall be forfeited, or accrue to or vest in the said Company, until Notice in Writing thereof shall be given by the Clerk of the said Company to the Person, or to the Clerk or other head Officer of the Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, in whose Name such Share shall at the Time of giving such Notice stand registered in the Books of the said Company, or left at his Dwelling House or usual or last known Place of Abode, Fourteen Days at the least previous to such Share vesting in or accruing to the said Company, provided that such Place of Abode shall be known to the Clerk of the said Company, and in case the same shall not be known to the Clerk of the said Company such Notice shall be published in the *London Gazette* and such other public Newspaper as the said Directors shall order and appoint, in which Notices respectively shall be contained a Statement and Account of how much Money is due from such Person, Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, for his or their Share in the said Undertaking; and no Share shall be forfeited to or vested in the said Company if the Owner of such Share shall pay what shall appear by such Statement to be due, together with Interest on the same at the Rate of Five Pounds *per Centum per Annum* from the Time the same became payable, and the aforesaid Penalties for Non-payment, and all Expences attending the Application for the same, within the Time specified in such Notice, any thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding: Provided always, that such Forfeiture shall be an absolute Indemnification and Discharge to and for the Proprietor so forfeiting against all Actions, Suits, and Prosecutions for any Breach of Contract or Agreement between such Proprietor so forfeiting and the rest of the said Company with regard to the future carrying on and Management of the said Undertaking.

If Purchase Money of Shares forfeited shall be more than sufficient to pay the Arrears, the Surplus to be paid to the Owner.

XLVII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That in case the Money produced by the Sale of any Share shall be more than sufficient to pay all such Arrears of Calls as aforesaid, and Interest thereon at the Rate aforesaid, with the Expences attending such Sale, the Surplus of such Money shall be paid, on Demand, to the Person to whom such Share shall have belonged, but the said Company shall not sell or transfer, or direct to be sold or transferred, any more of such Shares of such Defaulter than shall be sufficient, as near as may be at the Time of such Sale, to pay the Arrears due from such Defaulter for or on account of such Call, and the Interest thereof and the Expences attending the same; and from and after the Payment of all such Calls, and the Interest and Expences as aforesaid,

aforesaid, any Share so vested in the said Company as aforesaid which shall remain in their Hands unsold shall revert to and again become the Property of the Person, or his Executors or Administrators, to whom such Share shall have belonged immediately before any such Forfeiture as aforesaid, in the same Manner as if such Calls had been duly and regularly paid.

Proceedings in Actions for Calls.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Actions brought against any Person who hath or have subscribed or advanced, or who shall hereafter subscribe or advance, any Money for and towards the said Undertaking, or against any Owner or Proprietor of any Share in the said Undertaking, to recover any Sum of Money due and payable to the said Company for or by reason of any Call made by virtue of this Act, it shall be sufficient for the said Directors to declare and allege that the Defendant, being an Owner or Proprietor of such Share or of such and so many Shares in the said Undertaking is indebted to the said Company in such Sum of Money as the Call or Calls in arrear shall amount to, for such Call or such and so many Calls of such Sum or such and so many Sums of Money upon such Share or such and so many Shares belonging to the Defendant, as the Case may happen to be, whereby an Action hath accrued to the said Company by virtue of this Act, without setting forth the special Matter, and on the Trial of such Action it shall be only necessary to prove that the Defendant, at the Time of making such Call or Calls, was or were an Owner or Proprietor of such Share or Shares in the said Undertaking, and that such Call or Calls was or were in fact made, and that such Notice was given thereof as is directed by this Act, without proving the Appointment of such Directors, or any other Matter or Thing whatsoever; and the said Company shall thereupon be entitled to recover what shall appear due; and no Wager of Law shall be allowed in any such Action.

Directors may contract for Materials necessary for the Works.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That the said Directors shall have full Power and Authority to contract for and purchase all such Matters or other Things as shall and may be wanted or as they shall deem necessary for the said Works hereby authorized to be made, and to sell any Materials, the Property of the said Company, which shall not be wanted, or which the said Proprietors shall deem it unnecessary to keep.

Directors not to be personally liable for any Acts done on account of the Company.

L. And be it further enacted, That none of the Directors hereby appointed or hereafter to be appointed under the Authority of this Act shall, by reason or means or on account of their being Parties to, or making, signing, or executing, in their Capacity of Directors of the said Company, pursuant to this Act, any Contract, Covenant, Agreement, Assignment, Conveyance, or Security for and on behalf of the said Company, or otherwise lawfully executing any of the Powers and Authorities given to them by this Act, be subject or liable to be sued, prosecuted, or impleaded, either collectively or individually, by any Person whomsoever; and the Bodies, Goods, Chattels, Lands, or Tenements of the said Directors shall not, by reason or on account or in consequence of any such Contract, Covenant, Agreement, Conveyance, Assignment, or Security so entered

entered into, or made, signed, or executed by them as aforesaid, or any other lawful Act which shall be done by them in the Execution of any of the Powers and Authorities given to them by this Act, be liable to be arrested, seized, detained, or taken in Execution; but in every such Case any Person making any Claim or Demand upon the said Company or upon any Director thereof, under or by virtue of any such Contract, Covenant, Assignment, Conveyance, or Security, or other lawful Act, may sue and implead the said Company in like Manner as if such Contract, Covenant, Agreement, Conveyance, Assignment, or Security had been entered into and executed by the said Company, or such other Act had been done by the said Company, and the Party so suing or impleading shall be entitled to Remedies, by suing and impleading the said Company, but not to any further or other Remedy whatsoever.

Plan deposited with Clerk of the Parliament and the Town Clerk of the City of London to remain there, and be open to Inspection.

LI. And whereas a Map or Plan describing the Situation of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty and other Works will be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliament and with the Town Clerk of the City of *London;* be it therefore enacted, That the said Map or Plan so to be deposited shall remain with and be kept by the said Clerk, and all Persons interested therein shall have Liberty to inspect, peruse, and make Copies thereof at reasonable Times, on Payment to the said Clerk of One Shilling for each Time of Inspection, and One Shilling more for every Hour during which such Inspection shall continue after the first Hour, and paying for every Copy the Sum of Twenty Shillings; and that the said Map or Plan, or a true Copy thereof, or of so much thereof as shall relate to any Matter which may be in question, shall be and is hereby declared to be good Evidence in all Courts of Law and elsewhere.

Powers given by this Act to cease if the Works are not completed within Five Years.

LII. And be it further enacted, That in case the said Undertaking, and the several Works herein-before described and intended to be carried into effect under the Authority of this Act, shall not have been completed within Five Years from the passing of this Act, then and from thenceforth all the Powers and Authorities given by this Act shall cease and determine, save only as to so much and such Part of such Works as shall have been completed within such Time.

Rates or Duties directed to be paid.

LIII. And be it further enacted, That the Master of every Packet, Boat, and other Vessel carrying Passengers, and every other Ship, Vessel, Boat, or other Craft who shall embark or disembark such Passengers, or lade or unlade, take on board or discharge, any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize, at the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, shall pay to the said Company in regard thereof the several Rates or Duties set down in Figures against the Words applicable to the same respectively in the Schedule hereunto annexed.

Tolls on Passengers.

LIV. And be it further enacted, That every Passenger who shall land from or embark in any Ship, Packet, Vessel, Boat, or other Craft, and every Person who may land at or embark from the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and every Person who shall walk on the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, or the Approaches thereto, shall pay to the said Company, in respect of every such landing or Embarkation, and of every

every Time of entering or coming upon such Pier Wharf, or the Approaches thereto, such Sum as the said Directors shall direct not exceeding the Sum mentioned in the Schedule and set down in Figures against the Words respectively applicable to such landing, Embarkation, or walking; and the Money payable by or in respect of Passengers shall be collected and received by the Master of the Ship, Vessel, Boat, or other Craft carrying such Passengers, before the Departure of such Passengers from on board such Ship, Packet, Vessel, Boat, or other Craft, and shall be by such Master with all convenient Speed paid over to the Collector for the Time being, or other Person to be appointed by the said Directors for that Purpose: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Officers of the said Company to prevent every Person from walking on the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, Avenues and Approaches, except Persons landing at or embarking from the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, from or in any Ship, Boat, or Vessel, and Persons paying the said Toll or Duty, or Compensation for the same.

Company may prevent Persons from walking on the Pier without Payment of Tolls.

LV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Toll shall be payable, demanded, or taken under the Authority of this Act, on any Pretence whatsoever, unless the Person or Persons from whom, or the several Goods or Chattels, Articles, Matters, or Things, in respect of which Tolls shall be demanded, shall have entered or been upon some Part of the said Pier Wharf, or other Works of the said Company to the Northward of any Toll Gate by this Act authorized to be erected, upon the Occasion of demanding such Toll.

Toll not to be demanded except from Persons or for Goods having been upon the Pier or Wharf.

LVI. And be it further enaced, That no Rate or Duty shall be charged or chargeable for or in respect of any Soldier or Sailor in His Majesty's Service, while on Duty, who shall land from or embark in any Ship, Packet, or other Vessel within the Limits aforesaid.

Exempting Soldiers and Sailors from Tolls.

LVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to charge with the Payment of any of the Rates or Duties herein or hereby imposed and made payable in respect of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty and the Avenues thereto, any Person in respect of any of His Majesty's Ships, Vessels, Boats, or other Craft, or of any other Ship, Vessel, Boat, or Craft whatsoever in the Service of His Majesty's Customs or Excise, or in the Service of the Board of Ordnance, or of His Majesty's Postmaster General, nor of any Vessel which may be seized by the Officers of His Majesty's Revenues, nor in respect of any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize the Property of the Crown or under Seizure, nor of any Articles shipped or landed for the Public Service, nor of any Ship, Transport, or Packet employed in His Majesty's Service in the Conveyance of any Officers or Soldiers, or any Horses, Arms, Ammunition, or Baggage belonging to them or any of them; but if any Person shall claim and take the Benefit of any Exemption as aforesaid without being entitled thereto, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of Forty Shillings, over and above the Rates and Duties imposed by this Act.

General Exemptions.

Persons liable to Payment of Duty may be summoned and examined upon Oath.

LVIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace acting within his Jurisdiction, upon the Application of the Treasurer, Clerk, or any other Officer of the said Company, or any of the Directors, from Time to Time to summon and call before him, by Summons, at any Time and Place, any Person being the Owner, Part Owner, or Master, or having the Rule or Command of any Ship or Vessel, or any other Person liable to pay any of the Rates, Duties, or Sums of Money by this Act imposed, to examine and inquire of and concerning all and every or any Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, Freight, Fare, and Number of Passengers, Duty on Passengers, or other Matters or Things liable to the Payment of any of the Rates, Duties, and Sums of Money hereby imposed, and whether all and what Part of such Rates or Sums of Money shall have been paid or not paid, and when and by whom and to whom; and in case any Person so summoned shall not appear at the Time and Place in the said Summons mentioned, without sufficient Excuse, he shall forfeit and pay for every such Nonappearance the Sum of Twenty Pounds, to be recovered by the said Company for the Use of the said Company, together with Costs of Suit, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information in any Court of Record, wherein no Essoign, Protection, nor Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed, or upon Conviction in a summary Way, in the same Manner as other Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures are by this Act directed to be recovered.

Allowance to Masters for Passengers accounted for.

LIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors and they are hereby authorized to allow Masters of such Ships, Packets, Vessels, Boats, and other Craft carrying Passengers for Hire, at and after a Rate not exceeding One Shilling in the Pound upon the Amount of the aforesaid Duty on Passengers by such Masters respectively received and duly accounted for.

Company empowered to lease Tolls.

LX. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors to let, lease, or demise all or any of the Tolls and Duties hereby authorized to be taken for any Term of Years not exceeding Three Years at any Time, for such Rent, payable at such Times and under such Covenants as they shall think fit, taking sufficient Security from the Person to whom such Tolls shall be let, leased, or demised for Payment of such Rent and Performance of such Covenants respectively.

Company empowered to reduce and again to raise the Tolls.

LXI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company from Time to Time to lower or reduce all or any of the Tolls and Duties hereby granted, but no Reduction of any such Tolls or Duties shall be made or take place unless a Majority of the Proprietors present at some General or Special General Meeting shall assent thereto; and it shall be lawful for the said Company in like Manner again to raise the said Tolls to such Sum as they shall think proper, not exceeding the Sums hereby authorized to be taken.

List of Dues to be fixed

LXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Directors shall from Time to Time cause to be painted on Boards, and

and affixed and stuck up and continued, and renewed as often as the same shall be obliterated or defaced, upon conspicuous Places in or near the proposed Pier Wharf or Jetty, or the Approaches thereto, in large and legible Characters, a List of the several Rates and Duties for the Time being authorized to be taken as herein is mentioned in respect of the said Pier Wharf, Jetty, or Approaches; and it shall not be lawful for the said Directors to demand and take, or cause to be demanded or taken, any of the Rates or Duties herein authorized to be taken in respect of the said Pier Wharf, Jetty, or Approaches, but during such Time as the Board so painted as aforesaid shall remain fixed as aforesaid.

on conspicuous Places in or near the Pier.

LXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Treasurer, Collector, or any other Person authorized and deputed by the said Directors to go on board any Ship or other Vessel to demand, collect, and receive the said Rates and Duties by this Act due and payable, and for Nonpayment thereof to take and distrain any Goods or Merchandize on board of such Ship or Vessel or any Part thereof, and the same to detain and keep until he be satisfied and paid the said Rates and Duties; and in case of any Neglect or Delay in the Payment of any of the said Rates and Duties for Five Days after any Distress so taken as aforesaid, then it shall be lawful for the Treasurer, Collector, and Receiver of the said Rates and Duties to cause such Distress to be appraised by One or more sufficient Person or Persons, to be nominated by any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Kent*, and afterwards to sell the said Distress so taken and appraised, and thereout to satisfy himself, as well for and concerning the Duty so neglected or delayed to be paid, and for which a Distress shall be so taken as aforesaid, as also for his reasonable Charges in the taking and keeping of such Distress, rendering to the Master or other Person having the Rule or Command of the Ship or Vessel in or from which such Distress shall be so taken the Overplus, if any there shall be, on Demand.

Officers empowered to distrain.

LXIV. And be it further enacted, That in case any Person shall resist or make forcible Opposition against any Director or Person employed in the due Execution of this Act, or shall assault any Officer, Surveyor, or Agent of the said Company, or any Collector of Tolls, in the Execution of his Office, or shall forcibly pass through the Toll Gates or Bars to be erected by virtue of this Act, without having paid the said Tolls, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Penalty on Persons resisting Payment of Toll, &c.

LXV. And for the more effectual securing the Payment of the said Rates and Duties, be it further enacted, That the Collector or Comptroller and every other Officer whatsoever of His Majesty's Customs shall hereafter be authorized, by the Approbation of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, to refuse to give or make out any Cocquet or other Discharge, or take any Report, Outwards or Inwards, for any Ship, Vessel, or Boat using the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, until the Rates and Duties by this Act made payable, according to the true Intent and Meaning hereof, shall be paid unto the Collector or other Person from Time to Time appointed to receive the

For securing the Payment of Rates.

the same; and no such Ship, Vessel, or Boat shall leave the said Pier Wharf or Jetty without producing a Pass from such last-mentioned Collector or Receiver.

Persons evading Payment of the Rates to continue chargeable.

LXVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Master, Owner, or other Person having the Rule or Command of any Ship, Vessel, Boat, or other Craft, or any other Person whomsoever, shall, by any Means whatsoever, at any Time elude or evade the Payment of any Rates or Duties herein authorized to be taken in respect of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, or the Approaches thereto, every Person eluding or evading Payment as aforesaid shall forfeit and pay to the said Company, in addition to the said Rates and Duties, a Sum equal to the Amount of such Rates and Duties, and shall also stand charged with and be liable to the Payment of such Rates and Duties, as well as the Forfeiture incurred by having eluded or evaded the Payment thereof; and the same shall and may be recovered from such Master or Owner or such other Person at any Time, either by the Means herein prescribed for levying the said Rates and Duties, and by the same Method, or in such Manner as is herein directed for levying and recovering the Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties imposed by this Act, and with the like Costs.

For settling Disputes as to the Amount of Rates and Duties.

LXVII. 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, it shall be lawful for the Collector or Person distraining to detain such Distress, or the Money arising from the Sale thereof (as the Case may happen), 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 a Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Kent*, who, upon Application made to him for that Purpose, shall examine the said Matter upon Oath of the Parties or other Person or Persons, 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 fit and reasonable; and in case of Nonpayment thereof, on Demand, such Costs shall and may be recovered and levied by such Ways and Means and in such Manner as the Rates, Duties, and Charges hereby granted and imposed are hereby appointed to be recovered and levied.

Regulating Ships or Vessels at the Pier.

LXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in case the Person having the Rule or Command of any Ship, Vessel, or other Craft which shall be moored to the said Pier Wharf, or to any Mooring Places of or belonging to the said Pier Wharf, shall refuse or neglect to obey the Orders given by the Pier Master for the Time being, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay to the said Company any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Penalty on Persons damaging Pier, &c.

LXIX. And be it further enacted, That every Person who shall at any Time hereafter wilfully or maliciously injure, demolish, or break down the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, Avenues or Approaches, or any of the Works to be made as aforesaid, or any Part thereof, or the Fences

Fences or Buildings respectively which shall be constructed in or upon or which shall belong to the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, Avenues or Approaches, or other Works, or any Table of Tolls or Bye Laws affixed thereon, or shall wilfully and maliciously extinguish any Light used for the lighting the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and the Ships, Vessels, or Boats resorting to or passing the same, shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds, and shall besides pay for or make good all such Damage; and the Amount of such Penalty and Damage, in case the same shall not exceed the Sum of Twenty Pounds, shall be recoverable before any Two Justices of the Peace for the County of *Kent*, who are hereby authorized and empowered to summon before them the Person doing such wilful or malicious Damage as aforesaid, and to hear and determine the same, and ascertain such Damage; which Penalties shall be recovered as other Penalties are by this Act directed to be recovered; and the same, when levied in manner aforesaid, shall go and be paid to the Treasurer of the said Company, to be applied to the Purposes of this Act.

Penalty for injuring Ropes by which Vessels are moored.

LXX. And be it further enacted, That if any Person shall wilfully and maliciously cut, break, or in any Manner destroy or injure any Rope or other Thing by which any Ship or other Vessel shall be moored and fastened to the said Pier Wharf, or to the Mooring Chains or Mooring Places of the said Company, such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings: Provided always, that such Penalty shall not in any Manner preclude or bar or affect the Recovery of any Damages in any Action which may be brought for any Injury which may arise from cutting, breaking, destroying, or injuring any such Rope, Chain, or any other Thing as aforesaid: Provided also, that nothing herein contained shall hinder or restrain any Pier Master to be appointed in pursuance of this Act, or his Assistant, from exercising any of the Powers and Authorities vested in him.

Remedy in case of Ships damaging the Pier, &c.

LXXI. And be it further enacted, That in case any Ship or Vessel shall be wilfully run or driven either against the said Pier Wharf or any of the Works to be erected or made by virtue of this Act, so as to break, damage, or injure the same, the Person having the Government or Rule of such Ship or Vessel, or acting as such, shall be liable to answer and make good the Damage or Injury done, and the same, not exceeding the Sum of Twenty Pounds, shall and may be settled and ascertained in a summary Way by any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Kent;* and in case such Person shall refuse to pay the Sum to be awarded by the said Justice for or in respect of such Damage or Injury, it shall be lawful for the said Justice, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to cause such Ship or Vessel to be seized and distrained, together with the Tackle, Furniture, and Apparel thereof, until due Judgment thereof, together with the reasonable Charges of such Seizure and Distress; and if such Ship or Vessel shall not be redeemed within Five Days after the same shall have been so seized and distrained it shall be lawful for the Person so seizing and distraining the same to sell so much of the Tackle, Furniture, and Apparel of or belonging to such Ship or Vessel

as shall be sufficient to make good the said Damage or Injury, and all the Costs and Charges in consequence thereof, rendering the Surplus (if any) to the Owner or Master of such Ship or Vessel.

Master answerable for Damage done by his Crew; and may recover from them any Sums paid.

LXXII. And be it further enacted, That the Master or Owner of every Ship, Boat, or other Vessel shall be and is hereby made answerable for any Damage, Spoil, or Mischief which shall be done by his Ship, Boat, or other Vessel, or any of the Sailors, Boatmen, or other Persons belonging to or employed in or about the same, to the said Pier Wharf or any of the Works in or about and belonging to the said Pier Wharf, the Amount of such Damage, Spoil, or Mischief to be recovered in like Manner as any Penalty is in and by this Act directed to be recovered; and in case the Owner of any Ship, Boat, or other Vessel as aforesaid shall be compelled to pay any Penalty, or to make Satisfaction for any Damage, by reason of any wilful Act or Default done or committed by his Servants, every such Servant shall be liable to repay such Penalty or the Money paid for such Damage to such Owner, and in case of Nonpayment thereof upon Demand the same shall be recoverable by such Owner in like Manner as any Penalty is in and by this Act directed to be recovered.

To prevent Annoyances.

LXXIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Person shall throw or empty into the River, within Thirty Yards of the said proposed Pier Wharf or Jetty, or the Avenues or Approaches thereto, any Stones, Rubbish, Dirt, Earth, Ashes, Night Soil, or Ballast, or dig or take away from thence any Ballast, Shingle, Stones, or other Things the Removal or taking away of which may be detrimental to the proposed Pier Wharf or Jetty, or the Avenues or Approaches thereto, or the Landing Place, or to the Works to be erected as aforesaid, or do any other Act, Matter, or Thing to annoy, hinder, obstruct, or encroach upon the same respectively, the Person so offending shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds; and it shall be lawful for the said Company and their Officers and Servants, or any of them, from Time to Time and at all Times when and as Occasion shall require, to take away and remove, or cause to be taken away and removed, any Encroachment or Obstruction which may be necessary to be taken away and removed, for the building, maintaining, improving, and regulating the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, or the Approaches thereto.

Power to remove all Obstructions to the Pier.

LXXIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Surveyors appointed or to be appointed by the said Directors, and such Persons as they shall respectively appoint, from Time to Time to remove all Obstructions, Annoyances, and Encroachments in or upon any Part of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, or the Approaches thereto.

Power to exhibit Lights on the Pier.

LXXV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors and they are hereby empowered to cause such and so many Lamp Irons or Lamp Posts to be put up or affixed in, upon, or along the Sides of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and also, if they shall think it expedient, on the Approaches thereto, and also to cause such Number of Lamps, of such Sizes and Sorts, to be provided and affixed

affixed or put up, together with such Lamp Irons and Lamp Posts as they shall think necessary, for lighting the said Pier Wharf or Jetty, and every or any Part thereof, and the Approaches thereto, and to cause the said Lamps to be lighted as and when they shall think proper.

Penalty if Steam Packets shall not depart at the Time appointed.

LXXVI. And be it further enacted, That if after the Time fixed for the Departure of any Steam Packet from the said Pier Wharf to *London* or other Places shall have expired the said Vessel shall not immediately depart beyond the said Parish of *Greenwich*, or opposite thereto, then and in every such Case the Owner, Master, or Manager of any such Steam Packet shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, in the Discretion of the Justice or Justices before whom the Complaint shall be heard and determined.

Compensation for Damages, &c. done by the Company to be levied by Distress of the Goods vested in the Company.

LXXVII. And be it further enacted, That if and when and as often as any Sum of Money shall be directed or ordered to be paid by the said Company or their Directors to any Person as or by way of Compensation or Satisfaction for any Damage, Spoil, or Injury of any Nature or Kind whatsoever, done or committed by such Company or their Directors, or any Person acting by or under their Authority, or for any Costs and Expences relating thereto, and such Sum of Money shall not be paid by the said Company or their Directors to the Party entitled to receive the same within Ten Days after Demand in Writing shall have been made for that Purpose, then and in every such Case the Amount of such Compensation or Satisfaction, Costs or Expences, shall and may be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels vested in the said Company 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 any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Kent* (which Warrant such Justice is hereby authorized and required to grant under his Hand and Seal), on Application made to him for that Purpose by the Party entitled to receive such Sum of Money as or by way of Compensation or Satisfaction, Costs or Expences, for any Damage, Spoil, or Injury as aforesaid, or for any Costs or Expences as aforesaid; and in case any Overplus shall remain after Payment of such Sum of Money, and the Costs and Expences of hearing and determining the Matters in dispute, and also the Costs and Expences of such Distress and Sale, then and in such Case the Overplus shall be returned, on Demand, to the said Company or their Directors, or their Treasurer for the Time being, as the Case may be: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for such Treasurer to retain, out of any Monies which he may have received or shall receive in pursuance of this Act, all such Damages, Costs, Charges, and Expences as he shall have sustained or been put unto by virtue of any Warrant as aforesaid.

Justices may proceed by Summons for the Recovery of Penalties.

LXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases in which by this Act any Penalty or Forfeiture is imposed and made recoverable by Information before any Justice of the Peace it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace to whom Complaint shall be made of any Offence against this Act to summon the Party complained against

against before him, and on such Summons to hear and determine the Matter of such Complaint, and on Proof of the Offence to convict the Offender, and to adjudge him 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; and all such Proceedings by Summons without Information in Writing shall be as good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, as if an Information in Writing had been exhibited.

Damages in case of a Dispute to be settled by a Justice.

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

For Recovery of Penalties.

LXXX. And be it further enacted, That all Complaints and Informations of and for Offences against this Act, or any Rule, Order, or Bye Law to be made in pursuance thereof, (except in Cases where the Manner of hearing and determining the same is herein otherwise directed,) shall and may be made before any Justice of the Peace for the County, Liberty, or Place wherein the Offence shall be committed, and such Justice is hereby empowered and authorized to take cognizance thereof, and to summon the Person complained of to appear before him, or upon Complaint upon Oath or Affirmation to issue his Warrant for the Apprehension of any such Person, and upon the Appearance or Non-appearance of any such Person pursuant to any such Summons, or upon such Person being apprehended under such Warrant, to hear the Matter of every such Complaint and Information, by Examination of any Witnesses upon Oath or Affirmation, and to make such Determination thereon as such Justice shall think proper; and upon Conviction of any Person such Justice shall and may issue a Warrant under his Hand and Seal for levying the Penalty or Forfeiture by virtue of this Act, or of any Bye Law made in pursuance thereof, imposed for any such Offence, together with the Costs of Conviction, to be ascertained by such Justice, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person so convicted; and in case such Penalty or Forfeiture shall not be forthwith paid, it shall be lawful for any such Justice to order any Person so convicted to be detained and kept in safe Custody until a Return can be made to such Warrant of Distress, unless the Offender shall give sufficient Security to the Satisfaction of such Justice for his Appearance before such Justice, or before some other Justice of the Peace for the County or Place in which such Offence shall be committed, on such Day as shall be appointed for the Return of such Warrant of Distress (such Day not being more than Seven Days from the taking of any such Security), and which Security the said Justice is 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

Distress can be had whereupon to levy the Penalty or Forfeiture and Costs as aforesaid, and such Penalty, Forfeiture, and Costs shall not be forthwith paid, or in case it shall appear to the Satisfaction of such Justice, either by the Confession of the Offender or otherwise, that the Offender hath not sufficient Goods and Chattels whereupon such Penalties, Forfeitures, Fines, Costs, and Charges may be levied, if a Warrant of Distress were issued, such Justice shall not be required to issue such Warrant of Distress, and thereupon it shall be lawful for such Justice, and he is hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal to commit such Offender to the Common Gaol or House of Correction within the said County, there to remain for any Term not exceeding Three Calendar Months, unless such Penalty or Forfeiture, and all reasonable Charges attending the Recovery thereof, shall be sooner paid and satisfied; and all such Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures, when recovered, shall, where the Application is not otherwise directed by this Act, be paid into the Hands of the Treasurer of the said Company, and shall be applied and disposed of towards defraying the Expences of the said Undertaking, unless such Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures shall be incurred by the said Company, in which Case the same shall be paid to the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish or Place wherein the Offence shall be committed, to be applied by such Overseers for the Benefit of the Poor of such Parish or Place; and the Overplus, if any, arising from such Distress and Sale, after Payment of the Penalty and Costs and Charges attending the same, shall be returned, upon Demand, to the Owner of the Goods and Chattels so distrained.

For Apprehension and Commitment of Offenders in certain Cases.

LXXXI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Person who shall see any Offence committed against the Provisions of this Act, by any Person destroying or doing any wilful Damage to any of the Works by this Act authorized to be made, or otherwise, contrary to any of the Provisions herein-before contained, to apprehend and detain any such Offender without any Warrant or other Authority than this Act, and to convey such Offender, or cause him to be conveyed, by some Constable or other Peace Officer, before any Justice of the Peace for the County or Place in which the Offence shall be committed, who shall forthwith proceed against such Offender according to Law, and according to the Provisions in this Act contained.

Power for Directors to allow Informer Part of Penalty.

LXXXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Directors from Time to Time, if they think fit, to pay and apply any Part of the Penalties, Forfeitures, and Fines to or for the Use of the Informer or other Person aiding or assisting in the Apprehension of any Offender therein.

LXXXIII. And be it further enacted, That every Justice of the Peace before whom any Person shall be convicted of any Offence against this Act may cause the Conviction to be drawn up in the following Form of Words, or any other Form of Words to the same Effect; (that is to say,)

Form of Conviction.

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' to wit. } BE it remembered, That on [*Time of Conviction*] at [*Place of Conviction and Name of Offender*] of [*Addition of Offender*] was duly convicted before me [*Name and Style of convicting Justice*], for that the said [*Name of Offender*] on [*Time of committing Offence*] at [*Place of committing Offence*] did [*here state the Offence against the Act*], contrary to the Form of the Statute made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*], and I do therefore declare and adjudge that the said [*Name of Offender*] has forfeited for the said Offence the Sum of [*Fine*], or shall be committed to [*Place of Imprisonment*]. Given under my Hand and Seal the Day and Year first above written.'

Persons making Distress irregularly not to be deemed Trespassers.

LXXXIV. And be it further enacted, That where any Distress shall be made for any Sum of Money to be levied by virtue of this Act the Distress itself shall not be deemed unlawful, nor the Party making the same be deemed a Trespasser, on account of any Defect or Want of Form in the Summons, Conviction, Warrant of Distress, or other Proceedings relating thereto, nor shall the Party distraining be deemed a Trespasser on account of any Irregularity which shall be afterwards committed by the Party distraining in the Prosecution of such Distress, but the Person aggrieved by such Irregularity shall and may recover full Satisfaction for the special Damages in an Action on the Case.

Proceedings not to be quashed or vacated for Want of Form.

LXXXV. And be it further enacted, That no Proceedings to be had and taken in pursuance of this Act shall be quashed or vacated for Want of Form, or be moved by Certiorari, or any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster* or elsewhere.

For compelling Witnesses to attend.

LXXXVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Person who shall be summoned as a Witness to attend and give Evidence before any Justice of the Peace touching any Matter of Fact contained in the Information or Complaint of any Offence committed against this Act, either on the Part of the Prosecutor or the Party accused, shall refuse or neglect to appear at the Time and Place for that Purpose appointed, having been paid or tendered a reasonable Sum for his Costs and Charges, without a reasonable Excuse for his Refusal or Neglect, or appearing shall refuse to be examined upon Oath (or in case of a Quaker on solemn Affirmation), which Oath or Affirmation such Justice is hereby authorized to administer, and to give Evidence before such Justice of the Peace, then and in either or any of the said Cases every such Person shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Officers under the Act not incompetent Witnesses.

LXXXVII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Dispute, Suit, or Litigation shall arise touching or in anywise relating to the said Tolls or Duties, or respecting any Matter or Thing relating to the said Undertaking, no Person acting by or under the Authority or in the Service of the said Company shall for that Reason alone be in any Manner disqualified or incapacitated from giving Evidence in, upon, and respecting such Dispute, Suit, or Litigation, concerning any

any thing ministerially done by him in the Execution of his Office or Authority.

Directors may grant Releases to Witnesses.

LXXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Actions or Suits at Law or in Equity, and in all Proceedings under this Act or otherwise, for any Claim or Compensation against or for or on behalf of the said Company, and also in all Prosecutions commenced or instituted by or on behalf of the said Company, or other Proceedings in or consequent upon or arising out of any such Actions, Suits, or Proceedings, it shall be lawful for Five or more of the said Directors, in their own Names, for or on behalf of the said Company, to make, sign, seal, execute, and deliver all such general Releases as may be deemed necessary for the Purpose of exonerating, releasing, or discharging all Persons who shall or may be produced as Witnesses in any such Actions, Suits, Prosecutions, or other Proceedings as aforesaid, from all Claims or Demands which may be necessary to be relieved against by the said Company, in order to qualify such Persons to give Evidence as Witnesses in any such Actions, Suits, Prosecutions, or other Proceedings, and also to do any other Act, Matter, or Thing in any such Actions, Suits, Prosecutions, or other Proceedceedings which any Plaintiff, Prosecutor, or Defendant may do in any Action, Suit, Prosecution, or other Proceedings; and every such relative Act, Matter, and Thing respectively shall be as valid and effectual in all respects, and to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as if the same were under the Seal of the said Company.

Appeal to Quarter Sessions.

LXXXIX. And be it further enacted, That any Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or any other Person whomsoever, thinking himself or themselves aggrieved by any Rule, Bye Law, or Order of the said Company or their Directors, or by any Order or Judgment made or given in pursuance thereof, or by the Order and Determination of any Justice of the Peace in pursuance of this Act, may, within Two Calendar Months after such Order shall be made or given, appeal to the Justices of the Peace at their next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the County or Place in which the Cause of Appeal shall arise, the Person appealing having first given at least Fourteen Days Notice in Writing of such Appeal, and of the Nature and Matter thereof, to the Person appealed against, or to the Clerk of the said Company, and forthwith after such Notice entering into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace for the County or Place in which the said Cause of Appeal shall arise, with Two sufficient Sureties, conditioned to try such Appeal, and to abide the Order and Award of the said Court thereupon; and the said Justices, upon due Proof of such Notice and Recognizance having been given and entered into, shall in a summary Way hear and determine such Complaint at such General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the said County or Place, or if they think proper may adjourn the hearing thereof until the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the said County or Place, and if they see cause may mitigate any Forfeitures and Fines, and may order any Money to be returned which shall have been levied in pursuance of such Rule, Bye Law, or Determination, and shall and may also award such further Satisfaction to be made to the Party

Party injured, or such Costs to either of the Parties, as they shall judge reasonable and proper; and all such Determinations of the said Justices shall be binding and conclusive upon all Parties to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

Plaintiff not to recover without Notice or after Tender of Amends.

XC. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Plaintiff shall recover in any Action to be commenced against any Person for any thing done in pursuance of this Act unless Notice in Writing shall have been given to the Defendant, or left at his last or usual Place of Abode, Thirty Days before such Action shall have been commenced, of such intended Action, signed by the Attorney of the Plaintiff, specifying the Cause of such Action; nor shall the Plaintiff recover in such Action if Tender of good and sufficient Amends shall have been made to him or to his Attorney by and on the Behalf of the said Defendant before such Action brought, nor if such Tender of Amends shall be made at any Time after such Action brought, and before the Trial thereof, with Costs of Suit to the Time of such last-mentioned Tender, but on Proof of such Tender on any Trial to be had in such Action the Plaintiff shall be nonsuited, and pay Costs, to be recovered in the same Manner as any Defendant may recover Costs in any other Case by Law; or in case no Tender shall have been made it shall be lawful for the Defendant in any such 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 shall think fit, whereupon such Proceedings, Order, and Judgment shall be had, made, and given in and by such Court as in other Actions where the Defendant is allowed to pay Money into Court.

For Service of Notices, &c. on the Company.

XCI. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases wherein it may be requisite or necessary for any Person or Party to serve upon the said Company any Notice, or any Writ or other Proceeding at Law or in Equity, the Service thereof upon the Clerk of the said Company, or leaving the same at the Office or usual Place of Abode of such Clerk, or at the Office of the said Company, or in case the same respectively shall not be found or known then Service thereof respectively upon any Agent or Officer of the said Company, shall be deemed good and sufficient Service of the same respectively upon the said Company.

Powers of Act to be exercised by Company while in Possession of the Pier, and afterwards by the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.

XCII. And be it further enacted, That all and singular the Powers and Authorities given by this Act shall and may be exercised by the said Company during all such Time as they shall continue the Lessees, Owners, and Proprietors, and in actual Possession of the Pier Wharf or Jetty to be erected or constructed in pursuance thereof; and that if and when the said Company shall cease to be such Lessees, Owners, or Proprietors, and in actual Possession as aforesaid, then all and singular the Powers and Authorities given by this Act shall belong and be continued to and exercised by the Commissioners of *Greenwich* Hospital, and their Successors, as fully and amply in all respects, and to all Intents and Purposes, as the same are by this Act given to the said Company.

XCIII. And

Limitation of Actions.

XCIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Action, Suit, or Information shall be brought or commenced by any Person for any thing done or to be done in pursuance of this Act, or in execution of the Powers and Authorities or the Orders and Directions hereinbefore given or granted, every such Suit or Information shall be brought or commenced within Six Calendar Months next after the Fact shall have been committed, or in case there shall be a Continuance of Damages then within Six Calendar Months next after the doing or committing of such Damage shall have ceased, and not afterwards, and shall be laid or brought in the County or Place where the Matter in dispute shall raise, and not elsewhere; and the Defendant in such Action or Suit shall and may, at his Election, plead specially, or plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the special Matter in Evidence, at any Trial to be had thereupon, and that the same was done in pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if it shall appear to have been so done, or if any Action, Suit, or Information shall be brought after the Time so limited for bringing the same, or shall be brought in any other County or Place than as aforesaid, then and in such Case the Jury shall find for the Defendant.

Persons making false Declarations to be guilty of a Misdemeanour. 5 & 6 W. 4. c. 62.

XCIV. And be it further enacted, That where in this Act a Declaration is directed to be used for the Purpose of Confirmation of written Instruments or Allegations, or of the Execution of Deeds or other Matters, the same shall be made in the Form prescribed in the Schedule to an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to repeal an Act of the present Session of Parliament, intituled 'An Act for the more effectual 'Abolition of Oaths and Affirmations taken and made in various Depart-'ments of the State, and to substitute Declarations in lieu thereof, and for 'the more entire Suppression of voluntary and extra-judicial Oaths 'and Affidavits,' and to make other Provisions for the Abolition of unnecessary Oaths,* or as near thereto as the Circumstances of the Case will admit, and shall be of the like Force and Effect as if an Affidavit or Affirmation in Writing had been made; and if any Declaration so made shall be false or untrue in any material Particular the Person wilfully making such false Declaration shall be deemed guilty of a Misdemeanor.

Admiralty to consent to the Erection of the Pier.

XCV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That One Month previous to commencing the Erection or Construction of the said Pier Wharf or Jetty the Consent of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom shall be obtained, such Consent to be signified in Writing under the Hand of One of the Secretaries of the Admiralty for the Time being.

Saving the Rights of the Trinity House.

XCVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to prejudice or derogate from any of the Rights or Privileges of the Corporation of *Trinity House* of *Deptford Strond*.

Saving the Rights of the Corpora-

XCVII. Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice or derogate from the Estates,

tion of London.

Estates, Rights, Privileges, Franchises, Jurisdiction, or Authority of the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London*, or their Successors, or the Lord Mayor for the Time being of the same City, or to prohibit, defeat, alter, or diminish any Power, Authority, or Jurisdiction which at the Time of passing this Act the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or the said Lord Mayor for the Time being as Conservator of the River *Thames*, did or might lawfully claim, use or exercise, nor authorize or empower the said Company to embank, encroach upon, or interfere with any Part of the Soil or Bed of the said River *Thames* or the Shore thereof, except so far as is herein-before mentioned.

Saving the Rights of the Watermen's Company.

XCVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to take away, prejudice, or in any Manner affect any Right, Privilege, or Franchise which the Company of the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of Watermen and Lightermen of the River *Thames* have or lawfully claim to have, or to interfere with, abridge, alter, or diminish or take away, any of the Jurisdictions, Powers, or Authorities which the said Company of the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of Watermen and Lightermen of the River *Thames* have or lawfully claim to have, but all the Rights, Privileges, Franchises, Jurisdictions, Powers, and Authorities vested in them shall be as good, valid, and effectual as if this Act had not been passed.

Saving the Rights of the Commissioners of Sewers.

XCIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall alter, take away, or abridge, or be construed to alter, take away, or abridge, any of the Rights, Powers, Privileges, or Authorities vested in the Commissioners of Sewers for the Limits extending from the Head of the River *Ravensborne* to *Lombards Wall* in the County of *Kent*, but all such Rights, Powers, Privileges, and Authorities shall be as good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, as if this Act had not been made.

Saving the Rights of the Churchwardens, Overseers, and Directors of the Poor of Greenwich.

C. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend so as to affect, alter, or abridge the Powers, Jurisdictions, or Authorities of the Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and Parishioners, and the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor and Governors and Directors of the Poor of the said Parish of *Greenwich* for the Time being, in carrying into execution an Act passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for repealing an Act of the Twenty-sixth Year of the Reign of King* George *the Second, for the better Relief and Employment of the Poor in the Parish of* East Greenwich *in the County of* Kent, *and for repairing the Highways and cleansing the Streets thereof, and for making more effectual Provisions in lieu of the said Act*, and also an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act for lighting and watching the Parish and Town of* Greenwich *in the County of* Kent, *and removing and preventing Nuisances therein.*

9 G. 4. c. 43.

4 G. 4. c. 70.

CI. And

Rules for Construction of certain Terms used in the Act.

CI. And be it further enacted, That where in this Act any Word shall be used importing the Singular Number or the Masculine Gender only, such Word shall be construed to include several Matters as well as One Matter, several Persons as well as One Person, and Females as well as Males, and a Body or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporation or Corporations Aggregate or Sole, as well as Individuals, unless in any of the Cases aforesaid it be otherwise specially provided, or there be something in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction.

Public Act.

CII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others.

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The SCHEDULE referred to by the foregoing Act.

	£	s.	d.
For every Passenger or other Person who shall land from any Vessel, Boat, Wherry, or other Machine plying between New Windsor in the County of Berks and Yantlet Creek in the County of Kent, on the Pier, Landing Places, Wharf, or other Works, or embark or go on board of any such Vessel, Boat, Wherry, or other Machine so plying as aforesaid, from the said Pier or Landing Place, Quays, Wharfs, or Works, or any Part thereof, for each and every Time, not exceeding -	0	0	2
For every Passenger or other Person who shall land from any Vessel, Boat, Wherry, or other Machine plying from or to any Place without the Boundaries aforesaid on the Pier, Landing Places, Wharf, or other Works, or embark or go on board of any such Vessel, Boat, Wherry, or other Machine so plying without the said Boundaries as aforesaid, from the said Pier or Landing Place, Quays, Wharfs, or Works, or any Part thereof, for each and every Time, not exceeding - -	0	0	6
For every Person who shall use the said Pier or Wharf for the Purpose of walking for Exercise, Pleasure, or otherwise, per Day, not exceeding - - -	0	0	1
For every Four-wheeled Carriage, being landed or embarked from the said Pier, Landing Place, Wharf, or Works, not exceeding - - - -	0	2	0
For every Master of any Vessel, Boat, or Wherry, being an Inhabitant of the Town of Greenwich, and residing there only, and using the said Pier and other Works for the Purpose only of going to or returning from his own Vessel, Boat, or Wherry, such annual Sum as the Directors shall appoint, not exceeding, per Annum -	0	10	0
For every Quarter of Wheat, Oats, Rye, Barley, Malt, Beans, Peas, Tares, Mustard Seed, Canary, and Seeds of every Denomination, if landed or loaded from the Pier, not exceeding - - - - -	0	0	4
Anchor, per Hundred Weight - - -	0	0	6
Ashes, per Barrel - - - - -	0	0	1
Alum, per Hundred Weight - - - -	0	0	1
Anchovies, per Barrel - - - -	0	0	1
Ale, Porter, Cyder, or Perry, per Gallon - -	0	0	$0\frac{1}{2}$
Ditto, in Bottles, per Dozen - - -	0	0	1
Anchor Stock, per Foot run - - - -	0	0	1
Apples and Pears, per Sack of Three Bushels -	0	0	3
Asparagus, per Basket - - - -	0	0	4
Ditto, smaller Ditto - - - -	0	0	3
Beer, per Butt - - - - -	0	0	6
per Hogshead - - - - -	0	0	3
per Half Hogshead - - -	0	0	2
Bran or Pollard, per Eight Bushels - - -	0	0	2
Beer, Table, per Nine Gallons - - -	0	0	1

	£	s.	d.
Beef or Pork, contained in any Cask, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1
Barrel Boards or Staves, per Thousand	0	1	0
Butt Staves, per Hundred, and all other Staves in proportion	0	1	6
Battens, Petersburgh, per Hundred	0	1	6
Boards or Battens, close, per Hundred	0	0	9
Billiard Table	0	4	6
Bedstead, Mahogany, each	0	0	3
every other	0	0	2
Bricks, per Thousand	0	0	10
Barilla, per Ton	0	1	6
per Sewn	0	0	2
Bolt of Canvas, No. 1, 2, 3,	0	0	2
every other	0	0	1½
Butt, Pipe, or Puncheon, entire or in Staves, each	0	0	1½
Bottles, empty, per Dozen	0	0	1
Bale, every Box, Truss, Trunk, Case, Chest, Bundle, or Parcel, containing Goods not enumerated in Schedule, per Cubic Foot	0	0	1
Ditto, per Hundred Weight	0	0	2
Basket or Maund containing Goods not enumerated in Schedule	0	0	6
Ditto, smaller, each	0	0	3
Ditto, empty, per Dozen	0	0	1
Beef or Pork, per Tierce	0	0	3
per Barrel	0	0	3
Butter, per Barrel	0	0	1½
Butter or Cheese, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Biscuit, per Bag	0	0	1
Beans and Peas, per Sack	0	0	1½
Bottles, full, in Hampers, per Dozen	0	0	2
Brooms, Hair, and Mops, per Dozen	0	0	0½
Beast or Calf, each	0	1	6
Bacon, per Side	0	0	1
Beef, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1
Bedding, Seaman's	0	0	1
Currants or Raisins, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Coffee, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Copper or Brass, wrought or unwrought, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Chalk Stones, rough or hewn, per Ton	0	0	6
Corpses, each	0	2	0
Cordage, per Hundred	0	0	1½
Cod Fish, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Canary, or other live fancy Bird	0	0	1
Clover Seed, per Sack	0	0	2
Calves Skins, per Dozen	0	0	9
Colours, per Firkin	0	0	1½
Carboys, each	0	0	2
Coals, Culm, Splint, Coke, or Cinder, per Ton	0	1	0
Chest of Drawers, double	0	1	6
Ditto single	0	1	0
Chairs, per Dozen	0	0	6

	£	s.	d.
Chairs, Mahogany, each - - - -	0	0	1
not Mahogany, each - - - -	0	0	0½
Chimney Pots, each - - - - -	0	0	2
Cabbages, per Dozen - - - - -	0	0	0½
Carrots, per Hundred - - - -	0	0	1
Deals, per Load, containing Fifty Cubic Feet -	0	2	6
Dogs, each - - - - - -	0	0	2
Drugs, not otherwise mentioned, per Hundred Weight -	0	0	3
Earthenware, per large Crate - - - -	0	0	6
per small Crate - - - -	0	0	4
Fish, per Prickle or Pad - - - -	0	0	1
per Trunk - - - - -	0	0	2
per Bushel or Sieve - - - -	0	0	1
Fruit, per Bushel or Sieve - - - -	0	0	1
Flour, per Sack of Five Bushels - - -	0	0	2
Faggot, per Hundred - - - - -	0	0	9
Fire Wood, per Chord - - - - -	0	0	9
Feathers, per Hundred Weight - - -	0	0	3
Foxes, each - - - - - -	0	2	6
Fowls, and every other Sort of Poultry, per Head -	0	0	0½
Flint Stones, per Ton - - - -	0	0	3
Glass Ware, per large Crate - - - -	0	0	6
per small Crate - - - -	0	0	4
Window, per Crate - - - -	0	0	9
Grindstones, each - - - - -	0	0	2
Grate or Range, large - - - -	0	1	0
small - - - - -	0	0	6
Gunpowder, per Barrel - - - -	0	0	6
Gardenstuff, per Bushel or Sieve - - -	0	0	1
Hay, per Load of Thirty-six Trusses - -	0	1	0
Hops, per Bag - - - - -	0	0	6
per Pocket - - - - -	0	0	4
Hams, Bacon, or Tongues, per Hundred Weight -	0	0	1½
Herrings, Red, per Barrel - - - -	0	0	4
Hogsheads, packed with Goods not enumerated in Schedule	0	0	6
Hoops, per Bundle - - - - - -	0	0	2
Hurdles, per Hundred - - - -	0	2	6
Harpsichord - - - - -	0	1	0
Harps, each - - - - - -	0	0	9
Hemp, per Hundred Weight - - -	0	0	1½
Horses, each - - - - - -	0	3	0
Hares, Pheasants, and all other Game, per Head	0	0	2
Hides, raw or tanned, each - - - -	0	0	2
Hogs, each - - - - - -	0	0	3
Iron, per Hundred Weight - - - -	0	0	2
per Ton - - - - -	0	3	0
Pots, each - - - - -	0	0	1
Kelp, per Ton - - - - -	0	0	6
Laths, per Twenty Bundles - - - -	0	0	10
Lathwood, Six Feet per Fathom - - -	0	1	0
Five Feet ditto - - - -	0	0	9
Lead, per Hundred Weight - - - -	0	0	2
per Ton - - - - -	0	3	0

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Lime, per Load of Twenty-eight Bushels - -	0	0	3
Leather, per Hide - - - - -	0	0	4
Leeks, per Dozen Bundles - - - -	0	0	3
Lumber, and every other Article not specified before in this Table, per Foot Cube - - - -	0	0	0½
Dosser, Hundred Weight - - -	0	0	2
Meal or Middlings, per Eight Bushels - -	0	0	2
Mahogany, in Logs or Plank, per Foot Cube - -	0	0	1
Masts, Ten Inches in Diameter or upwards, each -	0	3	0
under Ten Inches, each - - -	0	2	0
Millstones, large, each - - - -	0	1	6
small, each - - - - -	0	1	0
Molasses, per Puncheon - - - -	0	0	6
Mustard, per Thirty Pound Barrel - - -	0	0	1
Marble, per Ton - - - - -	0	2	0
Nuts, per Bag - - - - - -	0	0	1
Nails, per Bag - - - - -	0	0	2
Oil Cakes, per Thousand - - - -	0	2	0
Oranges and Lemons, per Chest - - -	0	0	3
per Half Chest - -	0	0	2
Oil, Train or Fish, per Barrel, and so in proportion for any greater or smaller Quantity - - -	0	2	0
Oak or Elm Planks, per Load containing Fifty Cube Feet	0	2	6
Oysters, per Bushel - - - - -	0	0	1½
per Firkin or smaller Barrel - -	0	0	0½
Ovens, each - - - - - -	0	1	0
Ordnance, Pieces of, Brass or Iron, per Hundred Weight	0	0	6
Onions, per Bushel - - - - -	0	0	1
Oatmeal, per Sack - - - - -	0	0	2
Oil, per Pipe - - - - - -	0	1	0
per Hogshead - - - - -	0	0	6
per Half Hogshead - - - -	0	0	4
per Jar - - - - - -	0	0	1
per Chest - - - - -	0	0	3
per Half Chest - - - - -	0	0	2
Poultry, per Basket - - - - -	0	0	1½
Potatoes, per Barrel - - - - -	0	0	2
per Ton - - - - -	0	1	0
Plums, per Box - - - - -	0	0	1
Potatoes, per Sack of Three Bushels -	0	0	1½
Pales, cleft, per Thousand - - - -	0	2	0
Posts and Rails, per Load of Fifty Cube Feet - -	0	0	2
Pewter, wrought, per Hundred Weight - -	0	0	2
old - - - - - -	0	0	2
Pianofortes, each - - - - -	0	2	0
Pitch and Tar, per Barrel - - - -	0	0	4
Parcels, none to be charged less than - - -	0	0	1
Straw, per Load - - - - -	0	1	0
Sugar, Loaf, per Hundred Weight - - -	0	0	1½
raw, per Hundred Weight - - -	0	0	2
Salt, per Hundred Weight - - - -	0	0	1½
Spars, per Score - - - - -	0	0	10
Solder, per Hundred Weight - - -	0	0	2
Sofas, each - - - - - -	0	1	0

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Stone, per Ton	0	0	6
Ditto, Paving, per Ton	0	0	6
Slate, per Ton, containing Twenty-four Feet Cube	0	0	6
Stove, Register, each	0	1	0
other	0	0	6
Sedan Chairs, each	0	1	0
Salmon, per Kit	0	0	2
Skins, Goat, Dog, Calf, Sheep, or Lamb, per Dozen	0	1	0
Soap, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Starch, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Shot, per Bag	0	0	2
Salt Fish, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Sheep, Lambs, Pigs, or Hogs, per Score	0	3	0
Shrimp Baskets, each	0	0	1
Tallow or Candles, per Hundred Weight	0	0	2
Tea, per Quarter or Chest	0	0	6
And so on in proportion for any greater or less Quantity than a Half Chest.			
Treacle, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1
Timber, per Load, containing Fifty Cubic Feet	0	2	0
Tables, Dining, per Set	0	3	0
other Dining Tables, each	0	1	0
Card or Pembroke, each	0	0	9
every other, each	0	0	4
Tombstones, each, per Foot Superficial	0	0	3
Marble, per ditto	0	0	3
Tiles, plain, per Thousand	0	0	9
Hip or Gutter, per Thousand	0	1	0
Ridge or Pantiles, per Thousand	0	1	6
Mathematical, per Thousand	0	2	0
Paving, per Thousand	0	2	6
Turtle, each	0	3	0
Tobacco and Snuff, per Hundred Weight	0	0	1½
Turbot, per Score	0	0	4
Trunk, Portmanteau, or Bundle, each	0	0	2
Vats, packed with Goods not enumerated in Schedule, each, per Foot Cube	0	0	0½
Ditto, per Hundred Weight	0	0	2
Violins or Bass Viols, each	0	0	4
Vinegar, per Hogshead	0	0	6
Wool, Yarn, or Cotton, per Hundred Weight	0	0	6
Wine (not British) Sweet Oil, or Spirits, for every Gallon contained in any Butt, Pipe, Puncheon, or Piece, or any Cask whatsoever	0	0	0½
Wine or Vinegar (British), per Gallon	0	0	0½
Oil or Spirits in Bottles, per Dozen	0	0	3
per Pipe	0	1	0
per Hogshead	0	0	6
per Half Hogshead	0	0	4

All Goods not enumerated in this Table to pay at the Rate of ½*d.* per Cubic Foot, or 3*d.* per Hundred Weight.

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