ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO QUINTO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. XX.

An Act for enlarging the Powers of an Act of His present Majesty, for repairing, enlarging, and improving the Parish Church of *Hungerford*, in the Counties of *Berks* and *Wilts*. [2d *May* 1815.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for repairing, enlarging, and improving the Parish Church of* Hungerford, *in the Counties of* Berks *and* Wilts, certain Trustees were empowered to erect a new Tower to the said Church, and to repair, enlarge, improve, and alter the said Church; and for that Purpose the said Trustees were authorized to raise, by granting Annuities or by way of Loan, upon Bond or other Security to be given by the said Trustees, any Sum not exceeding in the Whole Four thousand five hundred Pounds, all which said Annuities, and the Monies to be borrowed, and the Interest of such Monies, were thereby charged upon and made payable out of the Monies to arise by the Rates and Assessments thereby directed to be made: And whereas the said Trustees, in the Execution of the said Act, have rebuilt the Tower of the said Church, and have also built an Addition to the Body of the said Church, for the Purpose of enlarging the same; but in the Month of *February* One thousand eight hundred and fourteen most of the ancient Part of the Roof and Body of the said Church fell down; and it is expedient that the Remainder of the ancient Part of the said Church now standing should be taken down, and that the Body of the said Church (except such new additional Part as aforesaid) should be rebuilt: And whereas the Powers and Provisions of the said Act are insufficient to enable the said Trustees to rebuild and complete the said

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Church, and it is neceſſary for that Purpoſe that they ſhould be authorized to raiſe a further Sum in addition to the Sum of Four thouſand five hundred Pounds, which they were authorized to raiſe by the ſaid recited Act; and it is alſo expedient that the Powers and Proviſions of the ſaid Act ſhould be extended to thoſe Purpoſes: May it therefore pleaſe Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That the ſaid recited Act of the Fifty-firſt Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty ſhall be extended to and the ſame is hereby declared to extend to the taking down ſo much of the ancient Part of the ſaid Church as is now ſtanding, and the diſpoſing of or uſing all the Materials of which the former Church conſiſted, and to the altering, enlarging, and rebuilding the ſaid Church, (except the Chancel and Tower thereof, and additional Part of the Body of the ſaid Church, as has been built by virtue of the ſaid Act), and erecting, fitting up, and furniſhing Pews and Seats therein, and executing all ſuch other Works as the ſaid Truſtees ſhall think neceſſary for completing the ſaid Church; and all the Powers, Authorities, Directions, Proviſions, Clauſes, Matters, and Things in the recited Act contained for thoſe Purpoſes, and not varied, altered, or otherwiſe provided for by this Act, ſhall be practiſed, applied, and put in Execution by the Truſtees of the ſaid recited Act for the Time being, or any Five or more of them, for the Purpoſes of this Act, ſo far as the ſame reſpectively are applicable thereto, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if all ſuch Powers, Authorities, Directions, Proviſions, Clauſes, Matters, and Things were repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act with relation thereto.

The Proviſions of the former Act extended to rebuilding the Church.

Power to appoint additional Truſtees.

II. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees, or any Seven or more of them, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, at any of their Meetings to be holden in purſuance of the ſaid recited Act or this Act, to elect any Number of Perſons, not exceeding Six in the Whole, to be Truſtees for the Purpoſes of this Act and the ſaid recited Act, in addition to the Truſtees appointed by or by virtue of the ſaid recited Act; and ſuch Truſtees ſo elected and being duly qualified, ſhall be and are hereby inveſted with the ſame Powers and Authority for executing this Act and the ſaid recited Act, as if they had been nominated and appointed in and by the ſaid recited Act or this Act.

Directions how new Church is to be built.

III. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Truſtees ſhall and they are hereby authorized and required to erect and build, or cauſe to be erected and built, the ſaid new Church (except as aforeſaid) of ſuch Size and Dimenſions, and of ſuch Materials, and after ſuch Specification and Model, as to the ſaid Truſtees, with the Approbation of the Dean and Canons of *Windſor*, (in whoſe peculiar Juriſdiction the ſaid Church is) ſhall ſeem right and proper; and the ſaid Truſtees ſhall make, erect, and ſet up, or cauſe to be made, erected, and ſet up, in the ſaid Church, ſuch Pews, Seats, Galleries, Bells, Organs, Ornaments, and Conveniences, as to the ſaid Truſtees, with ſuch Approbation as aforeſaid, ſhall deem right and proper.

Seats for the Poor to be provided.

IV. And be it further enacted, That ample Proviſion ſhall be made for the decent and ſuitable Accommodation of all Perſons of what Rank or Degree ſoever, who are or ſhall be entitled to reſort to the Pariſh Church of

of *Hungerford*, and whose Circumstances may render them unable to pay for such Accommodation; and the said Trustees shall and they are hereby authorized and required to provide such a Number of Seats in the said Church for the Purposes aforesaid as the Dean and Canons of *Windsor* aforesaid for the Time being shall deem proper.

Trustees empowered to borrow a further Sum.

V. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to borrow or raise for the Purposes of the said recited Act and this Act, in addition to the said Sum of Four thousand five hundred Pounds, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the further Sum of Six thousand Pounds, by all or any of the Ways and Means in the said Act provided or mentioned, for raising the said Sum of Four thousand five hundred Pounds; and the Principal Monies to be borrowed, and the Annuities to be granted by virtue of this Act, with the Interest on the said Principal Monies, shall be and the same are hereby respectively charged upon and made payable out of the Rates and Assessments to be made by the said Trustees, in pursuance of the said recited Act and this Act, or either of them; subject and without Prejudice nevertheless to the Securities and Annuities which have already been granted by the said Trustees, in pursuance of the said Act.

Directions as to the Rates to be made.

VI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, and they are hereby required, to make such Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, on all and every Person and Persons who do or shall inhabit or occupy any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, within the said Parish of *Hungerford*, and are liable in respect thereof to be rated and pay to the Church Rate of the said Parish, as to the said Trustees shall appear necessary for the Purposes of the said recited Act and this Act; which Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, shall at all Times be made according to the Value of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, as the same shall be rated in the then existing Rate or Rates for the Relief of the Poor within the said Parish, and shall and may be collected, recovered, and received in the same Manner as in the said recited Act is provided or mentioned with respect to the Rates and Assessments thereby authorized to be made; provided that until full Payment of all Principal Monies and Interest which shall have been borrowed or secured, or which shall be borrowed or secured by virtue of the said Act and this Act or either of them, and until the Determination or Discharge of all the Annuities which have been granted or shall be granted by virtue of the said recited Act and this Act or either of them, the Amount of the annual Rate or Assessment, Rates or Assessments, to be made by virtue of the said recited Act and this Act shall not be less than One Shilling and Sixpence nor more than Two Shillings in the Pound, upon the annual Value or Amount at which the said Lands or Tenements shall be so rated for the then current Year.

Securities to be paid off according to Priority of Date.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees, in paying off or discharging the Bonds or other Securities for Money borrowed or taken up at Interest on the Credit of the said recited Act, or to be borrowed on the Credit of this Act, shall and they are hereby authorized, empowered, and required, from Time to Time, and at all Times until the whole of the Monies now borrowed or to be borrowed on Bond or otherwise, by virtue of the Powers and Authorities in the said recited Act or this Act contained, shall be paid off, pay off and discharge such several

Bonds or other Security, to the Perſon or Perſons who have lent and advanced, or who may hereafter lend and advance Money for the Purpoſe of or upon the Credit of the ſaid recited Act or this Act, in rotation and according to the Priority of the Dates of ſuch Bonds or Securities reſpectively, ſo that in all Caſes the Bond or Security bearing the moſt ancient Date ſhall always be paid off and diſcharged in preference to all or any Bonds or other Securities of a more recent Date; any Thing in the ſaid recited Act or this Act contained to the contrary notwithſtanding; unleſs the Owner of the Bond or other Security in turn to be ſo paid off ſhall wave ſuch Priority, in which Caſe the Bond or Security next in Priority of Date ſhall be paid off and diſcharged as aforeſaid.

Rates to be made before a certain Time in each Year.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the paſſing of this Act, all Rates or Aſſeſſments which ſhall be made under or by virtue of the ſaid recited Act or this Act, ſhall be ſo made on or before and ſhall become due on the Firſt Day of *February* in each Year, and ſhall be demanded, collected, and paid before the Firſt Day of *April* then next following the Time of making ſuch reſpective Rates or Aſſeſſments in each and every Year; any Thing in the ſaid recited Act or this Act contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Collectors Allowance.

IX. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, to pay or allow out of the Rates or Aſſeſſments to be made by virtue of this Act or the ſaid recited Act, ſuch Sum not exceeding the Sum of Sixpence in the Pound, as the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, ſhall think fit, to pay or allow to or for the Collector or Collectors of the ſaid Rates for collecting the ſame; any Thing in the ſaid recited Act contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Expences of this Act.

X. And be it further enacted, That all the Charges and Expences of obtaining and paſſing this Act ſhall be paid out of any Money now in the Hands of the Treaſurer to the ſaid Truſtees, or out of the firſt Money which ſhall be borrowed or raiſed by virtue of the ſaid recited Act and this Act, or either of them, with lawful Intereſt upon any Money which ſhall be advanced to the ſaid Truſtees for that Purpoſe.

Reſerving the Rights of the Appropriator.

XI. Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That this Act or any Thing herein contained ſhall not extend, or be conſtrued to extend, to affect or prejudice the Right or Intereſt of the Appropriator and Patron of the ſaid Pariſh.

Publick Act.

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

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