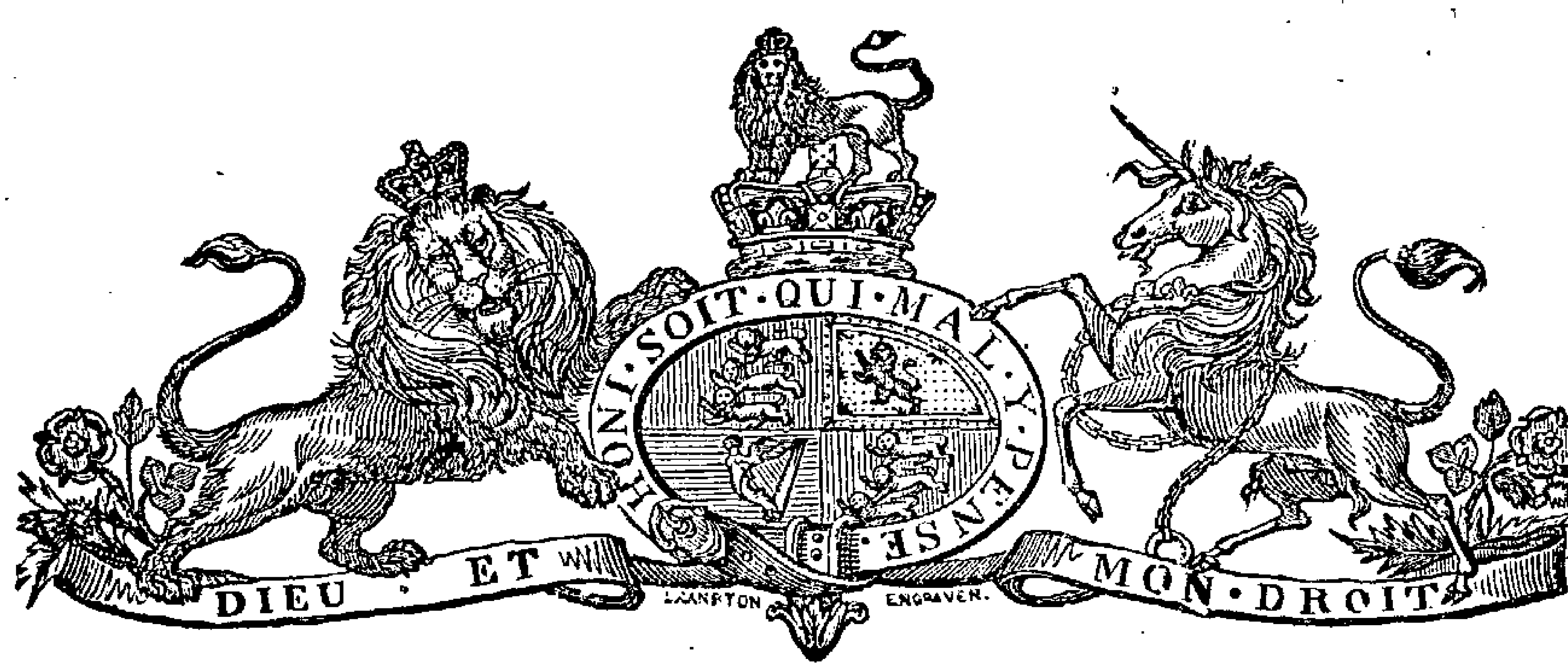


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Cap. xxxvii.

An Act to improve, repair, and maintain certain Roads in the Counties of *Lanark*, *Stirling*, and *Dumbarton*; and to make and maintain a new Line of Road in connexion therewith.

[31st *May* 1842.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for making certain Roads in the Counties of* Lanark, Stirling, *and* Dumbarton, whereby certain Trustees were appointed, who have carried the same into execution, by making the Roads thereby authorized to be made and maintained, and have borrowed certain Sums of Money upon the Credit of the Tolls thereby granted, and have expended the same on the said Roads, and such Money cannot be paid off, or the Interest thereof discharged, nor can the said Roads be effectually improved and kept in repair, unless further Powers are granted, and the Term of the said Act further continued: And whereas it would be of public Utility if the Trustees for executing this Act were empowered to make and maintain the new Road herein-after mentioned, deviating from one of the present 3 G. 4. c. 110.

 Lines

Lines of Road: And whereas an Act was passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for amending and making more effectual the Laws concerning Turnpike Roads in* Scotland, and it is expedient that the Powers and Provisions thereof should be applied to this Act: And whereas it is expedient that the said first-recited Act should be repealed, and that further and more effectual Powers should be granted, as well for repairing and improving the said present Roads, as for making and maintaining the said proposed new Road; but the Purposes aforesaid cannot be effected without the Authority of Parliament: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen'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That upon the Third *Wednesday* of the Month next after the passing of this Act, the said first-recited Act shall be repealed, and that this Act shall thereafter be put into execution during the Term and for the Purposes herein-after mentioned.

1 & 2 W. 4. c. 43.

Recited Act 3 G. 4. c. 110. repealed, and this Act put into force.

Powers of 1 & 2 W. 4. c. 43. applied to this Act.

II. And be it enacted, That the said recited Act, passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and all and every the Powers, Provisions, Exemptions, Penalties, Matters, and Things therein contained, save and except such Parts thereof as are hereby varied, altered, or repealed, shall be as good, valid, and effectual for carrying this Act into execution as if the same were repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

All Arrears of Tolls and Monies due under repealed Act vested in the Trustees under this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That all Monies due to and all Property vested in the Trustees under the Act hereby repealed shall, immediately on the Commencement of this Act, be vested in the Trustees for executing this Act, and such last-mentioned Trustees may sue for and recover the same, and act in respect thereof as effectually as if the same had been vested in them under the said repealed Act, and they shall be liable to fulfil all the Debts and Engagements to which the Trustees under the said repealed Act were liable at the Repeal thereof, in the same Manner and to the same Effect as if the said Debts and Engagements had been contracted by the Trustees under the present Act.

Appointment of Trustees.

IV. And be it enacted, That every Person who is or shall be infeft and possessed as Proprietor or Life Renter, or by Courtesy in right of his Wife, of the Dominium utile of Land situate within any of the Parishes of *Cadder* and *New Monkland* in the County of *Lanark*, *Kilsyth* in the County of *Stirling*, and *Kirkintilloch* and *Cumbernauld* in the County of *Dumbarton*, such Lands being valued in the Cess Book of their respective Counties at the Sum of One hundred Pounds *Scots* of valued Rent; and the eldest Sons of such Persons, in the Absence of their Fathers, such eldest Sons being Heirs Apparent of such Property; and also the eldest Sons of Persons having such Lands situate as aforesaid, of the Valuation of Two hundred Pounds *Scots* or upwards, such eldest Sons being Heirs Apparent of such Property; and the Trustee or any One of the Trustees of Heritors of Lands situated as aforesaid, valued at Four

hundred Pounds *Scots*; or the Commissioner or any One of the Commissioners or the Factor of such Heritors, or of such Trustee or Trustees, Commissioner or Commissioners, in the Absence of their respective Constituents; as also the Persons following; *videlicet*, Sir *William Murray* of *Ochtertyre*, Baronet, *John Lennox Kincaid Lennox* Esquire, of *Woodhead*, *Alexander Gartshore Stirling* Esquire, of *Craigbarnet*, Captain *George Stirling*, Son of the late Sir *John Stirling* of *Glorat*, *William Wallace* Esquire, of *Auchinvole*, *William Macfarlane* Esquire, of *Luggiebank*, *John Bartholomew* Esquire, of *Broomhill*, and the Senior Bailie of the Burgh of *Kirkintilloch* for the Time being, shall be Trustees for carrying this Act into execution.

First Meeting of Trustees.

V. And be it enacted, That the said Trustees shall hold their First Meeting within the *Black Bull* Inn at *Glasgow*, on the Third *Wednesday* of the Month next after the passing of this Act, at Twelve o'Clock, Noon; and shall then, and from Time to Time thereafter, adjourn to and meet at such Times and in such Places in the Neighbourhood of the said Roads, as they shall think proper.

Quorum of Trustees.

VI. And be it enacted, That, at all General Meetings of Trustees under this Act, Three Trustees shall be a Quorum.

Roads to which this Act is applicable.

VII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be put into execution for the Purpose of more effectually improving, maintaining, and keeping in repair the Roads following; (that is to say,)

The Road from *Kirkintilloch* by *Oxgang*, *Merkland*, *Gartshore*, *Drum*, *Westfield*, and *Ballock*, to the Turnpike Road between *Glasgow* and *Cumbernauld*, and from thence by *Auchenkiln's Hill* and *Lenzie Mill*, to the *Lanark* and *Stirling* new Road;

The Road from *Twechar* Drawbridge on the *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal, through the Lands of *Barr*, *Shirva*, *Gartshore*, *Drum*, *Banheath* or *Badenheath*, across the River *Luggie*, to the Turnpike Road between *Glasgow* and *Condorrat*, near *Mollinburn*; and,

The Road from *Kilsyth*, by the Drawbridge, across the *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal at *Auchenstarry*, through the Lands of *Auchenstarry*, *Auchinvole*, *Cuilmuir*, *Gartshore*, by *Stockbridge*, and from thence through the Lands of *Smythston*, *Toddhills*, *Drum*, and *Westfield*, to the Turnpike Road between *Cumbernauld* and *Glasgow*, at or near *Condorrat*:

And for making and maintaining the following new Road, deviating from the said Line of the Road first before described; (that is to say,)

A new Road to branch off the said Line of the Road first before described, at or near to the Point where a Road leading towards *Chryston* strikes off the said Line of Road, and to lead through the Lands of *James Dalrymple*, under the *Monkland* and *Kirkintilloch* Railway, and along the South Side of the *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal, until it joins the *Inchbelly* Turnpike Road at or near to *Glasgow* Drawbridge, on the said *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal.

VIII. And

Maps or Plans deposited at the Offices of the Sheriff Clerks to remain there, and be open to Inspection.

VIII. And whereas Maps or Plans describing the Lines of the said new Road, and the Lands through which the same is intended to be made, together with Books of Reference thereto, containing Lists of the Names of the Owners or reputed Owners and Occupiers of such Lands, have been deposited at the Office in *Glasgow* of the principal Sheriff Clerk of the County of *Lanark*, and at the Office in *Dumbarton* of the principal Sheriff Clerk of the County of *Dumbarton*, be it enacted, That the said Maps or Plans and Books of Reference shall remain in the Custody of the Sheriff Clerks of the said Counties, to the end that all Persons may at all seasonable Times inspect and peruse the same, and have Copies thereof or Extracts therefrom, paying to the said Clerks the Sum of One Shilling for every such Inspection, and at the Rate of Sixpence for every One hundred Words of such Copies or Extracts; and the said Maps or Plans and Books of Reference, or any Copy thereof respectively, or of any Part thereof, certified by any such Clerk or his Deputy for the Time being to be a true Copy thereof, shall be good Evidence in all Courts of Law or elsewhere.

Power to make new Line of Road according to Plans.

IX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to set out, make, and complete the new Line of Road herein-before described in the Lines and through the Lands delineated in the Maps or Plans, and described in the Books of Reference herein mentioned, of such Width as they may think proper, not exceeding Sixty Feet, together with such Footpaths, Bridges, Embankments, Ditches, Drains, Fences, and other necessary Works upon or near thereto as they may think requisite; and, for the Purposes aforesaid, to take possession of the Lands and Premises described in the said Maps or Plans and Books of Reference, making Satisfaction for the same to the Owners thereof, and other Persons interested therein, for the Damages which such Owners or other Persons may respectively sustain thereby, and it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, and for their Surveyors and Workmen, from Time to Time to enter upon the said several Lands, and to stake out the same for the Purposes of this Act, at such Times and in such Manner as the said Trustees or Surveyors shall think necessary or expedient.

Trustees empowered to deviate from Plans.

X. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees in making the said new Road to deviate from the Lines delineated on the said Maps or Plans: Provided always, that such Deviations shall not extend beyond the Limits of Deviation delineated upon the said Maps or Plans, nor into the Lands of any Person not described on the said Maps or Plans, or in the said Books of Reference, without the Consent in Writing of the Party in or through whose Lands any such Deviation shall be proposed to be made.

Lands marked on the Plans may be used, notwithstanding Errors in the Books of Reference.

XI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to make the said new Road in the Lines in or through the Lands delineated upon the said Maps or Plans, although such Lands, or the Situation thereof, or the Names of the Owners or Occupiers thereof, may happen to be omitted, mis-stated, or erroneously described in the said Maps or Plans, or in the said Books of Reference, in case it shall appear to Two or more Justices of the Peace for the County in which such

such Lands are situate, in Petty Sessions assembled, and be certified by Writing under their Hands, that such Omission or Mis-statement proceeded upon Mistake, and the Certificate of the said Justices shall be deposited with and remain in the Custody of the Sheriff Clerk for the Time being of such County, at his Office in *Glasgow* or *Dumbarton*, as the Case may be.

Land of the Clyde Navigation Company not to be taken without their Consent.

XII. And be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Trustees to take or use any Land belonging to the Company of Proprietors of the *Forth* and *Clyde* Navigation between the *Glasgow* Road Bridge across the said Navigation and a Point of Five hundred and fifty Feet to the West of the *Park Burn* Tunnel, as the said Land is shown on a Plan of the same made out by the late *William Kyle*, Land Surveyor in *Glasgow*, and subscribed in reference to and recorded along with a Contract of Excambion between *Archibald Stirling* Esquire, of *Cadder*, and the said Company, dated the Twenty-seventh Day of *January*, Twenty-second and Twenty-fifth Days of *February*, and Second Day of *March*, One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and recorded in the Sheriff Court Books of *Lanarkshire* the Tenth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, without the Consent in Writing of the said Company of Proprietors.

Regulating the crossing of the Monkland and Kirkintilloch Railway.

XIII. And be it enacted, That in order to carry the said Road under the *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway the said Trustees shall, at their own Expence, make and maintain a good, substantial, and permanent Bridge or Viaduct under the said Railway, in such Manner as shall be agreed upon by them and the Company of Proprietors of the said Railway, and failing such Agreement, at the Sight and to the Satisfaction of a qualified Engineer, chosen or appointed by the Sheriff of *Lanarkshire* on the Application of either Party: Provided always, that during the Progress of constructing such Bridge or Viaduct, and of the necessary Repairs thereof from Time to Time, the Trade of the said *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway shall in no Way be impeded or interrupted; but if any such Interruption or Impediment shall at any Time take place, the said Trustees shall pay to the said *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway Company the actual Damage thereby occasioned; and if the said *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway Company shall at any Time give Notice in Writing to the Clerk or Surveyor of the said Trustees that such Interruption or Impediment exists, the said Trustees shall not only forthwith remove any such Interruption or Impediment as may be found to exist, but shall, in the Option of the said *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway Company, pay to the said Company, in lieu of such actual Damage as aforesaid, a liquidated or ascertained Penalty of Thirty Pounds Sterling for every Day or Part of a Day during which such Trade shall have been interrupted or impeded Twelve Hours after Notice given as aforesaid, which Damage or Penalty (as the Case may be) may be recovered from the said Trustees in like Manner as other Penalties and Forfeitures are recoverable under this Act.

Lands of Monkland and Kirkintilloch Railway not to be taken without Consent, except for certain Purposes.

XIV. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be deemed or construed to extend to authorize or enable the said Trustees, in making, constructing, or maintaining the said intended Turnpike Road, to take or enter upon any of the Lands or Grounds belonging to the *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway Company, or to alter, vary, or interfere with the said *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway, or any of the Works thereof, or their said Lands or Grounds, further or otherwise than is hereby expressly authorized for carrying the said intended Road under the said *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway, without the Consent in Writing of the said *Monkland and Kirkintilloch* Railway Company in every Instance for the Purpose first had and obtained.

Trustees restrained from pulling down Houses not in Books of Reference.

XV. And be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful to the Trustees to take or pull down or to use or injure any Dwelling House or other Building, or to take, use, or injure any Curtilage, Orchard, Garden, Yard, Park, Paddock, Lawn, Shrubbery, planted Walk or Avenue to a House, or any inclosed Ground planted and set apart as a Nursery for Trees, or any Part thereof respectively, except such as are mentioned in the Books of Reference deposited as aforesaid, without the previous Consent in Writing of the Owner or Proprietor thereof, and all other Persons interested therein.

Limiting the Time for purchasing Property.

XVI. And be it enacted, That in case the said Trustees shall not, within the Space of Five Years from the Commencement of this Act, pay for the Lands which they are by this Act authorized to take, or consign the Value thereof in a Bank in the Manner mentioned in the said recited Act passed in the Second Year of His Majesty King *William* the Fourth, then and from thenceforth all the Powers by this Act or any other Act granted in relation to the taking of Lands for the Purpose of Turnpike Roads shall, so far as they relate to the Lands herein-before authorized to be taken for the Purposes of this Act, cease and be utterly void, unless with the Consent of the Owners and Occupiers of such Lands respectively: Provided always, that if before the Expiration of the said Period the Trustees shall have made Application to the Sheriff, in manner provided by the said last-mentioned Act, for a Jury to ascertain the Value of any such Lands, and the Proceedings for that Purpose shall be delayed by reason of any Defence or Objection taken by the Defender in such Trial, or other Cause not occasioned by the Trustees, then the Period for paying or consigning the Value of such Lands shall be extended to such an additional Period as shall be occupied in the Discussion and final Determination of such Defence or Objection, or the Removal of such other Cause of Delay.

Present Tolls continued until 26th May 1843.

XVII. And be it enacted, That, notwithstanding the Repeal of the said recited Act, the several Tolls thereby granted and made payable shall continue to be paid at the Toll Gates or Toll Bars to be continued or erected on or on the Sides of the said Roads until the Twenty-sixth Day of *May* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and forty-three.

XVIII. And

Tolls to be taken after 26th May 1843.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That, from and after the Twenty-sixth Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and forty-three, it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to demand and take, at the several and respective Toll Gates or Toll Bars which shall by virtue of this Act be upon or on the Sides of the said Roads, such Tolls as the said Trustees at any of their Meetings shall direct, not exceeding the Sums following; (that is to say,)

For every Horse or Beast of Draught drawing any Coach, Barouche, Berlin, Chariot, Landau, Chaise, Curricle, Calash, Chair, Hearse, or other such Carriage, or any Stage Coach, Long Coach, or Diligence, or Carriage of the like Kind, having more than Two Wheels, the Sum of One Shilling; but if such Carriage have no more than Two Wheels, then the Sum of Nine-pence:

For every Horse or Beast of Draught drawing any Van, Caravan, Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other such Carriage, having no more than Two Wheels, and drawn by One Horse or other Beast of Draught only, where such Carriage and the Loading thereof taken together shall not exceed Twenty-five Hundred Weight, the Sum of Nine-pence; and for every Hundred Weight, or Part of a Hundred Weight, which such Carriage, with the Loading thereof, shall weigh above Twenty-five Hundred Weight, the Sum of Two-pence; and for every Horse or other Beast of Draught more than One drawing such Carriage, the additional Sum of Six-pence:

For every Horse or other Beast of Draught drawing any Van, Caravan, Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other such Carriage, having more than Two Wheels, if not more than One Horse or Beast of Draught is drawing the same, the Sum of Nine-pence; and for every Horse or other Beast of Draught that shall be drawing the same more than One, the farther Sum of One Shilling:

For every Coach, Carriage, Waggon, or other Conveyance whatever, drawn or propelled otherwise than by Animal Power, when such Carriage, with the Loading thereof, and Engine, or other Power drawing or propelling the same, taken together, shall not exceed Twenty Hundred Weight, the Sum of Two Shillings; and for every Hundred Weight which such Carriage, with the Loading thereof, shall weigh above Twenty Hundred Weight, the Sum of Two-pence:

For every Horse or Mule, laden or unladen, and not drawing, the Sum of Three-pence:

For every Ass, laden or unladen, and not drawing, the Sum of Two-pence:

For every Head of Oxen or Neat Cattle, the Sum of One Penny:

For every Head of Calves, Hogs, Sheep, Lambs, or Goats, the Sum of One Halfpenny:

For Horses or Fillies unshod, the Sum of One Penny *per* Head:

Which said Tolls shall be taken before any Horse, Mule, Ass, Beast, or other Cattle, or any such Carriage whatsoever, shall be permitted to pass through any Toll Gate or Bar which shall be by virtue of this Act upon or across the said Roads, or on the Sides thereof.

XIX. And

Fraction of a Halfpenny in Tolls.

XIX. And be it enacted, That in all Cases in which there shall be a fractional Part of a Halfpenny in the Amount of the Tolls by this Act authorized to be collected, the Sum of One Halfpenny shall be payable in lieu of such fractional Part.

Trustees may reduce the Tolls for Lime, Chalk, &c. for Manure.

XX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, at any Meeting to be specially called for the Purpose, to make an Order from Time to Time, that the Tolls payable by virtue of this Act for any Horse or Beast drawing any Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage laden only with Lime, Chalk, or other Manure for the Improvement of Land, or returning unladen or empty from having been so employed, shall be reduced to such other Tolls or Rates as the said Trustees shall at any such Meeting agree or determine; and after the making of any such Order, such reduced Tolls only shall, in respect of the Matters last mentioned, be payable till altered by any similar Meeting.

Respecting Toll Gates.

XXI. And be it enacted, That the several Toll Gates, Bars, and Toll Houses now standing or being upon the said present Turnpike Roads, or on the Sides thereof, shall be continued until removed by any Order of the said Trustees; and it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to order and cause to be set up on or across the said present Turnpike Roads, or the Sides thereof, and also upon any Road to be made or repaired by virtue of this Act, or on the Sides thereof, any Toll Gate or Bar, and to remove and again set up the present or any future Toll Gate or Bar as they shall think proper.

Application of Monies.

XXII. And be it enacted, That subject to the Provision hereinafter made and provided, all Monies which shall be received by the said Trustees by virtue of this Act shall be applied as follows; (that is to say,)

Firstly, In paying and discharging the Expences of obtaining and passing this Act, or incident thereto:

Secondly, In paying and discharging the Expences of making, improving, maintaining, and keeping in repair the said Roads, or any of them, and in putting this Act into execution with reference thereto:

Thirdly, In paying and discharging any Interest which may from Time to Time be owing in respect of any Money which may have been borrowed on the Credit of the Tolls authorized to be taken by the said recited Act hereby repealed and this Act:

Fourthly, In reducing, paying off, and discharging the several Principal Sums which have been borrowed on the Credit of the Tolls authorized to be taken by the said recited Act hereby repealed and this Act.

Regulating Claim of Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Company.

XXIII. And whereas by an Act passed in the Second and Third Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act for making a Railway from* Edinburgh *to* Glasgow, *to be called the* Edinburgh and Glasgow *Railway, with a Branch to* Falkirk, it is provided, that the Company thereby incorporated shall, when and

so soon as the said Railway shall be opened from *Glasgow* to *Castlecarey*, pay to the said Trustees the Sum of Two thousand five hundred Pounds Sterling, to be applied by them towards uplifting the Debt on the said Roads by paying such of the Creditors holding the personal Obligations of the Trustees as shall be directed by the Trustees so liable: And whereas it is by the said Act further provided, that the said Trustees shall grant to the said Company a Mortgage on the said Roads and on the Tolls leviable thereon, for the said Sum of Two thousand five hundred Pounds Sterling, postponed only to such Part of the Sum of Ten thousand Pounds, being the Debt then charged thereon, as should not be extinguished by the said Payment; be it therefore enacted, That the said Sum of Two thousand five hundred Pounds when advanced and paid by the said Company, with Interest thereon, shall be and remain a valid and effectual Charge on the Roads authorized to be made by the said recited Act, and on the new Road hereby authorized to be made, jointly and severally, and on the Tolls leviable thereon, postponed only to, and ranking next preferably after, the Sum of Seven thousand five hundred Pounds, being the Balance of the said Sum of Ten thousand Pounds charged on the said first-mentioned Road; and until the said Sum of Two thousand five hundred Pounds, with the Interest thereon, shall be repaid, it shall not be lawful to the said Trustees, without the Consent of the said Company, to apply any of the Revenues of the Roads authorized to be made by the said recited Act to the Construction or Improvement of the new Road hereby authorized to be made, nor to apply the Revenue of any of the said Roads to the Payment of any new Debt which may be contracted thereon, or the Interest thereof: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the said Trustees from borrowing, on the Credit of the Tolls of the said Roads, such Sums of Money as shall be necessary for the Construction or Improvement of the said new Road postponed, both as regards Principal and Interest, to the said Sum of Two thousand five hundred Pounds.

Trustees to render an annual Account, and transmit a Copy thereof to the Sheriff Clerk of the County of Lanark.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That the said Trustees shall once in each Year cause to be prepared an Account in Abstract of the total Receipts and Expenditure of all Funds levied and expended by virtue of this Act for the Year preceding, under the several distinct Heads of Receipts and Expenditure, with a Statement of the Balance of the said Account duly attested and certified by the Clerk to the said Trustees; and shall cause a Copy of such annual Account to be transmitted, free of Charge, to the principal Sheriff Clerk of the County of *Lanark* at *Glasgow*, on or before the subsequent Thirty-first Day of *January* in each Year, under a Penalty of Twenty Pounds in case of Default, to be sued for and levied by summary Process, at the Instance of any Person authorized by the said recited Act of His Majesty King *William* the Fourth to prosecute for Tolls and Penalties, in the same Manner as Penalties are authorized by the said Act to be sued for and levied, and be applied in the Manner in which Penalties not otherwise directed to be applied are thereby directed to be applied; and such Account shall be open at all seasonable Hours to the Inspection of the Public, upon Payment of One Shilling for such Inspection, or if written Extracts are required

therefrom, at the Rate of Sixpence for every Folio of Seventy-two Words.

Trustee, Surveyor, or Clerk, competent Witnesses in Actions.

XXV. And be it enacted, That no Trustee, Clerk, or Surveyor acting under the Authority of this Act, if not otherwise interested, shall be deemed incompetent to give Evidence, or shall be disqualified from giving Evidence, in any Action, Suit, or other Proceeding brought by or against him in such his Capacity of Trustee, Clerk, or Surveyor in relation to the said Roads, or any Tolls and Duties levied or leviable thereon.

The Roads in this Act not to be exempt from any general Act.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to exempt the Roads comprised in this Act from the Provisions of any general Act relating to the Consolidation or other improved Arrangement of Turnpike Roads which may pass during the present or any future Session of Parliament.

Term of Act.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence on the Third *Wednesday* of the Month next after the passing of this Act, and shall continue in force for the Term of Thirty-one Years, and from thence to the End of the Session of Parliament which shall then next follow.

Interpretation of Act.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That in this Act the following Words and Expressions shall have the several Meanings hereby assigned to them, unless there be something in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction; (that is to say,)

Words importing the Singular Number shall include the Plural Number, and Words importing the Plural Number shall include the Singular Number:

The Word "Person" shall be understood to include Corporation:

Words importing the Masculine Gender shall include Females:

The Word "Lands" shall be understood to include heritable Subjects of every Description:

The Expression "the Trustees" shall mean the Trustees for the Time being acting under the Authority of this Act.

Public Act.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such.

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