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GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. 26.

An Act for continuing the Term, and altering and enlarging the Powers of Two ſeveral Acts, paſſed in the Firſt and Twenty-third Years of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, for repairing and widening the Roads from *Dyed Way* to *Somerton*, and from *Gawbridge* to *Tintinhull Fords*, and from a Stream of Water called *Ford*, to *Cartgate*, in *Martock*, in the County of *Somerſet*; and alſo for repairing and widening the Roads from a Place called *Hurſt Bow* in *Martock* aforeſaid, through a Common Meadow called *Petherton Broadmead*, and thence through the Pariſhes of *South Petherton*, *Shepton*, *Beauchamp*, and *Barrington*, to join the Turnpike Road leading from *Ilminſter* to *Langport*, and from *South Petherton* aforeſaid, through Part of the ſeveral Pariſhes of *South Petherton* and *Lopen*, to *Whitecroſs*, in the ſaid Pariſh of *Lopen*; all in the ſaid County of *Somerſet*. [7th *April* 1803.]

1 Geo. 3. WHEREAS an Act was passed in the First Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King George the Third, intituled, *An Act for repairing and widening the Roads from* Dyed Way *to* Somerton, *and from* Gawbridge *to* Tintinhull Fords, *and from a Stream of Water called* Ford, *to* Cartgate, *in* Martock, *in the County of* 23 Geo. 3. Somerset: And whereas an Act was passed in the Twenty-third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for enlarging the Term and Powers of the said Act: And whereas the Trustees appointed in or by virtue of the said Acts, have proceeded to put the same in Execution, and have for that Purpose borrowed several considerable Sums of Money on the Credit of the Tolls authorized to be taken on the said Roads, which still remain due, and cannot be paid off, nor can the said Roads be properly amended, improved, and kept in Repair, unless the Term granted by the said Acts be further continued, and some of the Powers and Provisions thereof altered and enlarged; and it is necessary that the Tolls by the said first recited Act authorized to be taken on the said Roads should be repealed, and others granted instead thereof: And whereas the Roads branching out of the said first mentioned Road, from a Place called *Hurst Bow*, in the Parish of *Martock* aforesaid, through Part of the same Parish, unto and through a Common Meadow called *Petherton Broadmead*; and thence through the Town and Parish of *South Petherton*, in the said County, unto and through the several Parishes of *Shepton*, *Beauchamp*, and *Barrington*, in the said County; to the Turnpike Road leading from *Ilminster* to *Langport*, in the said County; and from the Town of *South Petherton* aforesaid, through Part of the several Parishes of *South Petherton* and *Lopen*, in the said County, to a Place called *Whitecross*, in the said Parish of *Lopen*, are much out of Repair, narrow, and incommodious, and cannot be effectually amended, widened, altered, improved, and kept in Repair, by the ordinary Course of Law; and it would be a great Convenience to the Neighbourhood, and of publick Utility, if the same were made Turnpike, and included under the Powers and Provisions of the said recited Acts and this Act: 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 Acts, passed in the First and Twenty-third Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, and all and every the Powers, Provisions, Directions, Penalties, Forfeitures, Clauses, Matters, and Things therein contained (except such as relate to Exemptions from Stamp Duties, and so far as the same have been by Law or are hereby repealed, varied, or altered) shall be and are hereby further continued for and during the Term herein-after mentioned, for the Purposes of the said Acts; and also for making, widening, turning, altering, improving, and keeping in Repair the said Road branching out of the said first mentioned Road, from a Place called *Hurst Bow*, in the Parish of *Martock* aforesaid, through Part of the same Parish, unto and through a Common Meadow called *Petherton Broadmead*; and thence through the Town and Parish of *South Petherton*, in the said County, unto and through the several Parishes of *Shepton*, *Beauchamp*, and *Barrington*, in the said County, to the Turnpike Road leading from *Ilminster* to *Langport*, in the said County; and from the Town of *South Petherton* aforesaid through

Former Acts continued.

Part

Part of the ſeveral Pariſhes of *South Petherton* and *Lopen*, in the ſaid County, to a Place called *Whitecroſs*, in the ſaid Pariſh of *Lopen*, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if the ſame were repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act, and as if the ſaid additional Branch of Road had originally been Part of the Road included in the ſaid recited Acts; but ſubject nevertheleſs to the Amendments, Alterations, Variations, and Additions herein contained, and which ſhall commence and take Effect immediately upon the paſſing of this Act.

Truſtees.

II. And be it further enacted, That *Richard Thomas Combe*, *William Dickinſon*, *William Dickinſon* the younger, *Wyndham Goodden*, *John Goodford*, *John Hanning*, *William Hanning*, *John Phelips*, *William Phelips*, the younger, *John Prowſe*, Eſquires; *Thomas Robins* Doctor in Divinity, *John Culliford Goodden*, *Elias Taylor*, and *John Valentine*, Clerks; *John Bonfield* the younger, *Thomas Budge*, *Stephen Bridge*, *Henry Cary* of *Milton*, *Henry Cary* the younger, *Robert Cary*, *Henry Cary*, *Samuel Chapman*, *James Daniel*, *William Elliot*, *Thomas Elliott*, *William Harding Linman*, *William Harding* of *Hele*, *Iſaac Mead*, *William Pipe Payne*, *Henry Rawlins* the younger, *Joſeph Vaux*, *Stephen Weſtcote*, and *Robert Beck Willy*, being qualified according to the Directions of the ſaid firſt recited Act, ſhall be and are hereby added to and joined with the Truſtees appointed by or in purſuance of the ſaid recited Acts; and that the Truſtees hereby appointed, together with the ſurviving and remaining Truſtees appointed in or by virtue of the ſaid recited Acts, or either of them, ſhall be and are hereby empowered to put the ſaid recited Acts and this Act in Execution, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if they had been appointed by the ſaid recited Acts, or either of them.

Power to continue and erect Turnpike Gates.

III. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, ſhall and may, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to continue all or any of the Gates or Turnpikes now erected in, upon, acroſs, or by the Sides of the ſaid Roads, and to cauſe to be erected and ſet up ſuch Number of other Gates or Turnpikes, in, upon, acroſs, or by the Sides of the ſaid Roads included in the ſaid former Acts and in this Act, or any or either of them, or acroſs any Lanes or Way leading into the ſame, and alſo ſuch Number of Toll Houſes with ſuitable Out Buildings and Conveniences thereto, and to incloſe ſuch Gardens for the ſaid Toll Houſes, as they may think fit; and to erect ſuch Weighing Engines upon the ſaid Roads as they ſhall think neceſſary; and from Time to Time cauſe any of ſuch Gates, Turnpikes, Toll Houſes, Buildings, and Weighing Engines, to be taken down, altered, or removed, as they ſhall judge proper, and to defray all the Expences thereof by Means of the Monies which ſhall come to the Hands of the ſaid Truſtees by virtue of the ſaid recited Acts and this Act.

Former Tolls repealed, and new Tolls granted.

IV. And whereas the Tolls by the ſaid firſt recited Acts granted are inſufficient for the proper Improvement and Repair of the ſaid Roads, be it therefore enacted, That the ſaid Tolls ſhall, from and after the paſſing of this Act, ceaſe, determine, and be no longer paid or payable; and that inſtead thereof there ſhall from thenceforth be demanded and taken at all and every the ſaid Gates and Turnpikes erected and to be erected,

erected, the Tolls following, before any Horſe, Ox, or other Beaſt or Cattle, or any Carriage, ſhall be permitted to paſs through the ſame; (that is to ſay),

Tolls. For every Horſe, Mare, Gelding, Mule, or Aſs, drawing any Coach, Chariot, Berlin, Landau, Hearſe, Chaiſe, Chair, Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, the Sum of Sixpence:

For every Ox, Steer, Gale, or Bull, drawing in any Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, ſingly, and not in Pairs or abreaſt, the Sum of Sixpence:

For every Ox, Steer, Gale, or Bull, drawing in any Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, abreaſt or in Pairs, the Sum of Three-pence:

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

For every Drove of Oxen, Cows, or Neat Cattle, the Sum of One Shilling and Eight-pence *per* Score, and ſo in Proportion for any greater or leſs Number:

And for every Drove of Calves, Sheep, Swine, or Lambs, the Sum of Ten-pence *per* Score, and ſo in Proportion for any greater or leſs Number:

Power in old Act of leſſening Tolls repealed. Which ſaid ſeveral Tolls by this Act authorized to be taken, ſhall be and the ſame are hereby veſted in the Truſtees for executing the ſaid Acts and this Act; and the ſame and every Part thereof ſhall be collected, recovered, levied, paid, applied, aſſigned, and diſpoſed of in ſuch and the ſame Manner, and by ſuch and the ſame Ways and Means, and with ſuch Remedies for Non-payment or Evaſion thereof, and with ſuch Powers, Proviſions, and Reſtrictions, as are contained in the ſaid firſt recited Act reſpecting the Tolls thereby authorized to be taken.

V. And whereas it is by the ſaid firſt recited Act provided and enacted, that it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees, or any Nine or more of them, by and with the Conſent of the reſpective Mortgagees and Aſſignees of ſuch Tolls, in Writing firſt had and obtained, at a General Meeting to be called for that Purpoſe, whereof Twenty Days publick Notice in Writing ſhall be affixed upon all the ſaid Turnpikes, and at the publick Croſs at *Martock*, from Time to Time to leſſen and reduce all or any of the Tolls thereby granted, and afterwards to raiſe and augment the ſame, ſo as not to exceed the Sums hereby granted; and the Tolls ſo leſſened and reduced, or augmented again, ſhall and may be collected and levied in ſuch Manner and applied to ſuch Purpoſes only as the Tolls thereby granted are directed to be collected, levied, and applied: And whereas it is expedient that the ſaid Proviſion ſhould be repealed; be it therefore enacted, That, from and after the paſſing of this Act, ſo much of the ſaid firſt recited Act as above mentioned ſhall be and the ſame is hereby declared to be repealed.

Power to leſſen Tolls. VI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, by and with the Conſent of the Perſons entitled to Five Sixth Parts of the Money then charged by way of Mortgage on the Tolls by the ſaid recited Acts and this Act authorized

thorized to be taken on the ſaid Roads, at any Meeting to be held by virtue of the ſaid former Acts or this Act, by Notice to be affixed on all the Turnpike Gates then erected on the ſaid Roads, Twenty-one Days at leaſt before ſuch Meeting, to leſſen all or any of the ſaid Tolls hereby authorized to be taken, for ſuch Time or Times as they ſhall think proper, but ſo as not to reduce them below One Half of the reſpective Tolls herein-before granted; and to raiſe the ſame again, ſo as not to exceed the reſpective Rates herein-before mentioned; and ſuch Tolls, ſo leſſened or raiſed again, ſhall be collected, recovered, and applied in the ſame Manner as the Tolls hereby granted are directed to be collected, recovered, and applied.

Security for Sums borrowed.

VII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Sum and Sums of Money heretofore borrowed by virtue of the ſaid recited Acts, and which are now due and owing, ſhall, together with lawful Intereſt for the ſame, be charged and ſecured upon the Tolls to ariſe upon the original Roads comprized in the ſaid recited Acts; and that all and every Sum and Sums of Money which ſhall hereafter be borrowed under the Authority of the ſaid Acts and this Act, on Account of the ſaid original Roads, ſhall, together with lawful Intereſt for the ſame, be ſecured upon the Tolls to ariſe upon or from ſuch original Roads; and that all and every Sum and Sums of Money which ſhall be borrowed under the Authority of the ſaid Acts and this Act, on Account of the ſaid additional Branch of Roads, ſhall, with lawful Intereſt for the ſame, be charged and ſecured upon the Tolls to ariſe upon and from ſuch additional Branch of Roads; and that the Coſts, Charges, and Expences of obtaining and paſſing this Act, and all other Coſts, Charges, and Expences incident thereto, ſhall be paid by the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, out of the Monies which ſhall come to their Hands by virtue of the ſaid Acts and this Act, in Manner following; (that is to ſay): that ſo much of the ſaid Coſts, Charges, and Expences, as ſhall have accrued or ariſen by means or in conſequence of the additional Branch of Roads being included in this Act, ſhall be wholly diſcharged out of the Monies which ſhall be received from or on Account of the ſame additional Branch of Roads; and that the Remainder of the ſaid Coſts, Charges, and Expences, ſhall be diſcharged out of the Monies which ſhall be received from or on Account of the ſaid original Roads.

Hurſt Bow Turnpike Gate to be deemed as Part of the original Roads.

VIII. Provided always, and it is hereby declared and enacted, That the Turnpike Gate now ſtanding by the Side of Part of the ſaid original Roads at *Hurſt Bow*, ſhall be deemed and conſidered as belonging to the ſaid original Roads, and that the Tolls there ariſing ſhall be applied on Account of ſuch original Roads.

A ſeparte Account to be kept relating to the Two Roads.

IX. And be it further enacted, That the Tolls which ſhall from Time to Time reſpectively ariſe upon or from the ſaid original Roads and the ſaid additional Branch, ſhall be applied and diſpoſed of on Account of the ſaid reſpective Roads from whence ſuch Tolls ſhall ſeverally ariſe; and that the Clerk to the ſaid Truſtees ſhall keep a ſeparate and diſtinct Account of the Tolls ariſing from and the Monies expended in reſpect

of the ſaid Roads reſpectively, to the end that ſuch ſeparate Application and Diſpoſition may be duly obſerved and effected.

Reſtraint as to cutting down Apple Trees repealed.

X. And be it further enacted, That ſo much of the ſaid firſt recited Act as provides, that nothing therein-before contained ſhall extend or empower the ſaid Truſtees or Surveyors, or any of them, to cut down any Apple Trees already planted and growing near or contiguous to the ſaid Roads, or any or either of them, unleſs planted or growing on Waſte or Common Grounds, ſhall be and is hereby repealed.

Exemptions from Toll by this Act.

XI. And whereas it is expedient that the ſeveral Exemptions from Payment of Toll allowed by the ſaid recited Acts, or either of them, ſhould be repealed; be it therefore enacted, That all and ſingular the Exemptions from Toll granted and allowed by the ſaid recited Acts, or either of them, ſhall be and the ſame are hereby repealed; and that from and after the paſſing of this Act, no Perſon ſhall be charged with or compellable to pay any of the Tolls made payable by this Act, for any Coach, Landau, Berlin, Chariot, Chaiſe, Phaeton, or Chair, or the Horſes or Cattle drawing them, or for any Perſon on Horſeback going to or returning from any Election of a Knight or Knights of the Shire to ſerve in Parliament for the County of *Somerſet* on the Day or Days of ſuch Election, or on the Day before or after ſuch Election ſhall begin, or be concluded reſpectively; or for any Cattle going only to or from Water or Paſture, within any or either of the Pariſhes through which the aforeſaid Roads or any of them paſs, and not going out of ſuch Pariſhes; or for any Waggon or other Carriage, Horſe or other Cattle or Beaſt, drawing or not drawing, which ſhall be uſed and employed only in and for the Carriage of Stones or other Materials for repairing of any Turnpike Road or publick Highway, or going to ſuch Employment, or returning after having been ſo employed, or that ſhall be uſed or employed only in the Carriage of, or going empty or unladen for, or returning empty or unladen after having carried any Fodder, Dung, Soil, Lime, or Compoſt of any Kind, for the manuring of any Garden, Land, or Ground, ſituate within any or either of the ſaid Pariſhes through which the aforeſaid Roads or any of them paſs; or for any Carriage, Horſe, Cattle, or other Beaſt, employed in carrying or drawing any Hay unfold, and not for Sale, or any Corn in the Straw unfold, and not for Sale, the Produce of ſuch Land in any or either of the ſame Pariſhes, brought immediately from the Land where the ſame grew or was firſt ſtacked, or any Straw unfold and not for Sale, the Produce of ſuch Land, or with any Sulls, Harrows, or other Implements of Huſbandry going or returning for the manuring or improving of Lands in any or either of ſuch Pariſhes; or for any Cattle or Carriage belonging to any Inhabitant of any Townſhip, Pariſh, or Place, wherein ſuch Gate or Turnpike ſhall be erected, which ſhall be only paſſing to the Smith's Shop in order to be ſhoed, farried, or repaired, or for the return of any ſuch Cattle, or Carriage unloaden; or for any Carriage, Horſe, Cattle, or other Beaſt, employed in the Carriage of Milk, or in going for the ſame, or only in the Carriage of Cloth or other Woollen Stuff to or from any Fulling Mill; nor ſhall any Toll be demanded or taken of or from any Rector, Vicar, or Curate, going to or returning

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ing from his own Pariſh Church or other Place of Divine Worſhip, or viſiting his ſick Pariſhioners, or from any Perſon going to or returning from his or her own Pariſh Church or other Place of Divine Worſhip, ſituate in the Pariſh in which ſuch Perſon ſhall dwell, upon *Sundays* or any other Day on which Divine Worſhip is ordered by Authority to be celebrated; or any Perſon going to or returning from the Funeral of any Perſon who ſhall die and be buried in any Pariſh or Place in which the ſaid Roads do lie; nor ſhall any Toll be demanded or taken for any Horſes or Carriages employed in carrying the Mails of Letters or Expreſſes under the Authority of His Majeſty's Poſt Maſter General, either in going or returning, full or empty; nor for any Horſes belonging to Officers or Soldiers upon their March or upon Duty, or for any Horſes, Cattle, or Carriages, employed in carrying or conveying the Arms or Baggage of any ſuch Officers or Soldiers, or in carrying any ſuch Officers or Soldiers wounded or diſabled; or for Horſes or Cattle employed only in the Conveyance of Vagrants ſent by legal Paſſes; and if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall claim or take the Benefit of any of the Exemptions aforeſaid, not being entitled thereto, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall for every ſuch Offence forfeit and pay a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, nor leſs than Forty Shillings.

Carriages employed in carrying Timber between certain Periods ſubject to an additional Toll.

XII. And be it further enacted, That between the Firſt Day of *November* and the laſt Day of *February* in every Year, there ſhall be demanded and taken at each and every Gate or Turnpike erected or to be erected by virtue of the ſaid former Acts or this Act, an additional Toll equal to One Half of the Toll then liable to be paid for every Horſe or other Beaſt of Draught drawing any Carriage employed in carrying or conveying any Timber Tree or Trees (except Carriages with One Horſe or other Beaſt of Draught, which ſhall not be liable to the Payment of ſuch additional Toll or any Part thereof).

Carriages on Wheels not rolling a flat Surface ſhall be conſidered as Carriages with narrow Wheels, and be liable to be weighed and pay Toll as ſuch.

XIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That, for the Purpoſes of Exemption from or Reduction of Tolls, or of Allowance of any additional Number of Horſes, Oxen, or other Beaſts of Draught, on Account of the Breadth of the Soles or Bottoms of Wheels, by virtue of any Law or Statute, the Sole or Bottom of the Wheels of Waggons, Carts, Wains, or other ſuch Carriages, ſhall roll a flat or level Surface, or a Surface ſo flat or level as not to deviate more than Three Quarters of an Inch from a flat or level Surface; and all Waggons, Wains, Carts, or other ſuch Carriages paſſing on the ſaid Roads, or by any of the Weighing Engines hereafter to be erected thereon, the Wheels whereof ſhall not roll a flat or level Surface, or a Surface ſo flat or level as not to deviate more than Three Quarters of an Inch from a flat or level Surface, ſhall be conſidered and deemed as Carriages on Wheels rolling a Surface of leſs than Six Inches, and be liable to be weighed at any of ſuch Weighing Engines as any Waggon, Wain, or other Carriage, on Wheels rolling a Surface of leſs than Six Inches, is now by Law liable to be weighed there, and ſhall pay the ſame Tolls at the Gates

Gates or Turnpikes, and Weighing Engines, as such Waggons, Wains, or Carriages, on Wheels rolling a Surface of less than Six Inches, are by Law liable to pay.

Application of Compensation Money where amounting to 200*l.*

XIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Money shall be agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, purchased, taken, or used by virtue of the Powers of the said recited Act, or this Act, for the Purposes thereof, which shall belong to any Corporation, Feme Covert, Infant, Lunatick, or Person or Persons, under any other Disability or Incapacity, as in the said recited Act particularly mentioned, such Money shall, in case the same shall amount to or exceed the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, with all convenient Speed be paid into the Bank of *England*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account there *ex parte* the Trustees for executing the said Act and this Act, to the Intent that such Money shall be applied under the Direction and with the Approbation of the said Court, to be signified by an Order made upon a Petition to be preferred in a summary Way, by the Person or Persons who would have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, in the Purchase of the Land Tax, or towards the Discharge of any Debt or Debts, or such other Incumbrances, or Part thereof, as the said Court shall authorize to be paid, affecting the same Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or affecting other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments standing settled therewith, to the same or the like Uses, Intents, or Purposes; or where such Money shall not be so applied, then the same shall be laid out and invested, under the like Direction and Approbation of the said Court, in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall be conveyed and settled to, for, and upon such and the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes, and in the same Manner as the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which shall be so purchased, taken, or used as aforesaid, stood settled or limited, or such of them as at the Time of making such Conveyance and Settlement shall be existing undetermined and capable of taking Effect; and in the mean Time, and until such Purchase shall be made, the said Money shall by Order of the said Court, upon Application thereto, be invested by the said Accountant General, in his Name, in the Purchase of Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated or Three Pounds *per Centum* Reduced Bank Annuities; and in the mean Time and until the said Bank Annuities shall be ordered by the said Court to be sold for the Purposes aforesaid, the Dividends and annual Produce of the said Consolidated or Reduced Bank Annuities shall from Time to Time be paid by Order of the said Court, to the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments so hereby directed to be purchased, in case such Purchase or Settlement were made.

XV. Provided

Application where the Money does not amount to 200*l.* and ſhall exceed 20*l.*

XV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Money ſo agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, purchaſed, taken, or uſed for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, and belonging to any Corporation, or to any Perſon or Perſons under Diſability or Incapacity as aforeſaid, ſhall be leſs than the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, and ſhall exceed the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then and in all ſuch Caſes the ſame ſhall, at the Option of the Perſon or Perſons for the Time being entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſo purchaſed, taken, or uſed, or of his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, in caſe of Infancy or Lunacy, to be ſignified in Writing under their reſpective Hands, be paid into the Bank, in the Name and with the Privity of the ſaid Accountant General, and be placed to his Account as aforeſaid, in order to be applied in Manner herein-before directed, or otherwiſe the ſame ſhall be paid, at the like Option, to Two Truſtees, to be nominated by the Perſon or Perſons making ſuch Option, and approved of by any Five or more of the ſaid Truſtees (ſuch Nomination and Approbation to be ſignified in Writing under the Hands of the nominating and approving Parties), in order that ſuch Principal Money, and the Dividends ariſing thereon, may be applied in any Manner herein-before directed, ſo far as the Caſe be applicable, without obtaining, or being required to obtain, the Direction or Approbation of the Court of Chancery.

Application where the Money is leſs than 20*l.*

XVI. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That where ſuch Money ſo agreed or awarded to be paid as next before mentioned ſhall be leſs than Twenty Pounds, then and in all ſuch Caſes the ſame ſhall be applied to the Uſe of the Perſon or Perſons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſo purchaſed, taken, or uſed for the Purpoſes of the ſaid Acts and this Act, in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, ſhall think fit; or in caſe of Infancy or Lunacy, then to his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, to and for the Uſe and Benefit of ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo entitled reſpectively.

For paying Expences of this Act.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That all the Coſts, Charges, and Expences incident to and attending the obtaining and paſſing of this Act, ſhall be paid and diſcharged by the ſaid Truſtees in the Proportions herein-before mentioned, out of any Money already collected or received by virtue of the ſaid recited Acts, or out of the Firſt Monies to ariſe by virtue of the ſaid recited Acts and this Act, in Preference to all other Payments whatſoever.

Publick Act.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall be adjudged, deemed, and taken to be a publick Act, and as ſuch be judicially taken Notice of by all Judges, Juſtices, and other Perſons whomſoever, without ſpecially pleading the ſame.

Term of this Act.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the Term granted by the ſaid recited Acts, ſhall, from and after the paſſing of this Act, ceaſe and determine; and that the ſaid Acts (ſubject as herein-before mentioned) and this Act, ſhall from thenceforth continue and be in force, and be executed for and during the Term of Twenty-one Years and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament.

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