ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. 5.

An Act for repealing an Act, made in the Thirty-second Year of His late Majesty, for better lighting and cleansing the Open Places, Streets, Squares, and other Passages within the Part of the Manor and Liberty of *Norton Folgate* otherwise *Norton Folley*, in the County of *Middlesex*, which is Extra-parochial, and regulating the Nightly Watch and Beadles therein; and for the better Relief and Maintenance of the Poor thereof, and for other Purposes relating thereto. [12th *March* 1810.]

WHEREAS by an Act made in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for the better enlightening and cleansing the Open Places, Streets, Squares, Lanes, Courts, and other Passages within the Part of the Manor and Liberty of* Norton Folgate *otherwise* Norton Folley, *in the County of* Middlesex, *which is Extra-parochial, and regulating the Nightly Watch and Beadles therein*, certain Powers were given and granted to Trustees therein nominated and appointed, for certain Purposes in the said Act mentioned and contained: And whereas the Trustees appointed by the said Act have proceeded in the Execution thereof, to the great Benefit of the Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial; but the Provisions of the said Act have been found inadequate to the several Purposes thereby intended, and it is necessary that the same should be altered, amended, and enlarged, and it would tend greatly to facilitate 32 G. 2. c. 49.

facilitate the Execution of the Purpoſes intended to be provided by the ſaid recited Act, if the ſame was repealed, and further and better Proviſions made for thoſe Purpoſes: And whereas the Poor of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, are very numerous, and are maintained and ſupported at a very great Expence, and it would tend greatly to the Alleviation of the Inhabitants of the Part of the ſame Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, if proper Powers were granted for the better governing, maintaining, and regulating of the ſaid Poor; 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,

32 G. 2. repealed.

That from and after the paſſing of this Act, the ſaid recited Act and all the ſeveral Powers and Authorities, Matters and Things therein contained, ſhall be and the ſame are hereby repealed and made void to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever.

Appointment of Truſtees.

II. And be it further enacted, That the Overſeers of the Poor for the Time being of that Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and *Joſeph Day*, *John Pearce*, *John Wake*, *Peter Guillebaud*, *William Touch*, *Charles De Saint Leu*, *John Ham*, *Archibald Macauley*, *George Ferry*, *John Roberts*, *William Elgie*, *Samuel Fearn*, *Samuel Knight*, *Joſeph Barfoot*, *Henry Birkett*, *Alexander Goudge*, *William Binfield*, *Richard Bennett*, *John Heath*, *William Holme*, *George Woolrich*, *Thomas Carr*, *John Kincaid* and *David Kincaid*, ſhall be and they and their Succeſſors to be elected in Manner herein-after mentioned, ſhall be and they are hereby appointed Truſtees for putting this Act into Execution.

On the Death or Removal of Truſtees others to be choſen.

III. And be it further enacted, That when and as often as any of the ſaid Truſtees hereby appointed, or who ſhall be elected in Manner herein-after mentioned, ſhall die or remove out of the Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, or ſhall refuſe to act, or ſhall neglect to act in the Execution of this Act for the Space of Two Years, it ſhall be lawful for ſuch of the Inhabitants who ſhall reſide in the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and who have ſerved or fined or ſhall hereafter ſerve or fine for the Office of Overſeer, Conſtable or Headborough or any of them, within and for the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, to meet and aſſemble themſelves together in the Court-houſe for the Time being of the ſaid Manor and Liberty, as often as Occaſion ſhall require, on Public Notice ſigned by the Clerk of the ſaid Truſtees being fixed up by the Beadle of the ſaid Manor and Liberty, or ſome other Perſon for him, on the Door of the ſaid Court-houſe Six Days at leaſt before any ſuch Meeting, ſpecifying for what Purpoſe ſuch Meeting is appointed to be had, and the major Part of ſuch Inhabitants who ſhall, purſuant to any ſuch Notice, meet or aſſemble themſelves together at ſuch Court-houſe, ſhall and may from Time to Time elect and appoint ſome other fit Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be a reſident ſubſtantial Houſeholder or reſident ſubſtantial Houſeholders within the Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, in the Place or Stead of ſuch Truſtee or Truſtees ſo dead, removed or refuſing or neglecting to act as aforeſaid; and all and every ſuch Perſon and Perſons who ſhall be ſo from Time to Time elected and appointed

appointed a Truſtee or Truſtees as aforeſaid, ſhall from the Time of their reſpective Appointment have the ſame Power and Authority in all Things relating to the Execution of this Act, as if he or they had been expreſsly named and appointed a Truſtee or Truſtees in or by this Act.

Qualification of Truſtees.

IV. And be it further enacted, That no Perſon after making any Rate or Aſſeſſment by this Act directed to be made, ſhall be qualified to act as a Truſtee in the Execution of this Act, unleſs he ſhall at the Time of acting be a Reſident Houſeholder in the Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and be rated at Thirty Pounds within the Year in which he or they ſhall ſo act in the whole to the Rates or Aſſeſſments by this Act directed to be made; and if any Perſon not being qualified as aforeſaid, ſhall preſume to act in the Execution of this Act every ſuch Perſon ſhall for every ſuch Offence forfeit and pay the Sum o Five Pounds together with full Coſts of Suit, to be recovered in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter* by Action of Debt or on the Caſe, or by Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Eſſoign, Protection or Wager of Law or more than One Imparlance ſhall be allowed; but no ſuch Action, Bill, Plaint or Information ſhall be brought or proſecuted unleſs One Calendar Month's Notice thereof ſhall have been given to the Defendant or Defendants, or left at his or their laſt or uſual Place or Places of Abode, ſigned by the Attorney for the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, Proſecutor or Proſecutors, ſpecifying the Cauſe thereof; and in every ſuch Action, Bill, Plaint or Information, the Proof of ſuch Qualification ſhall be on the Defendant, and it ſhall be ſufficient for the Plaintiff or Proſecutor to prove the Delivery of ſuch Notice, and that he or they is or are a Reſident Houſeholder or Reſident Houſeholders in the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial and duly rated as aforeſaid, and that the Perſon ſo ſued or proſecuted had acted as a Truſtee in the Execution of this Act, One Moiety of which ſaid Penalty ſhall go and be paid to the Proſecutor, and the other Moiety to the Truſtees under this Act for the Time being, to be applied as the other Penalties and Forfeitures are herein directed to go and be applied: Provided nevertheleſs, that all Acts and Proceedings of all and every Perſon and Perſons acting as a Truſtee in the Execution, of this Act, though not duly qualified as aforeſaid previous to his or their being convicted of ſuch Offence, ſhall notwithſtanding ſuch Conviction be as valid and effectual as if ſuch Perſon or Perſons had been duly qualified according to the Directions of this Act.

Acts of Truſtees good before Conviction.

First and ſubſequent Meetings.

V. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Truſtees or any Five or more of them, ſhall on the Second *Tueſday* after the paſſing of this Act meet at the Court-houſe in the ſaid Manor and Liberty, between the Hours of Four and Six in the Afternoon, and ſhall then proceed in the Execution of this Act; and ſhall afterwards meet there, or at ſuch other Place as to them ſhall ſeem meet, between the Hours aforeſaid, on the Firſt *Tueſday* in each and every Month, for the Purpoſe of carrying this Act into Execution, without any Notice being given to the ſaid Truſtees of ſuch Monthly Meeting.

Truſtees may adjourn for a ſhorter Time, but then No-

VI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees or any Five or more of them, to adjourn for any ſhorter Space of Time than a Month, of which Adjournment Notice in Writ-

tice to be given.

ing or printed with the Name of the Clerk affixed, ſhall be left for each Truſtee at his uſual Place of Abode Two Days at leaſt before ſuch next Meeting, and affixed to the Court-houſe of the ſaid Manor and Liberty.

Further adjournment of Meetings.

VII. And be it further enacted, That if at any Time or Times it ſhall ſo happen that there ſhall not appear at any Monthly or adjourned or other Meeting, a ſufficient Number of ſuch Truſtees as are herein enabled to act at ſuch Meeting, then and in every ſuch Caſe every ſuch Meeting ſhall be and be deemed to be adjourned to the *Tueſday* immediately ſubſequent to ſuch Meeting, and ſo *toties quotics*; and at all their Meetings ſuch Truſtees ſhall pay their own Expences.

Truſtees to pay their own Expences.

No Act valid unleſs at a Meeting.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That no Act of the ſaid Truſtees or of any of them ſhall be or be deemed to be good or valid, unleſs the ſame be done at ſome Meeting to be holden in purſuance of this Act, or in ſome Committee ſpecially appointed, which it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees to appoint in Rotation or otherwiſe, as they ſhall ſee Occaſion; and all the Powers and Authorities by this Act granted to or veſted in ſuch Truſtees, ſhall and may from Time to Time be exerciſed by the major Part of them who ſhall attend at any Meeting to be holden as herein directed (the Number of ſuch Truſtees not being leſs than Five) and all the Orders and Directions of the major Part of ſuch Truſtees preſent at all ſuch Meetings, ſhall have the ſame Force and Effect as if the ſame were made or done by all ſuch Truſtees for the Time being; and at every ſuch Meeting of the ſaid Truſtees, a Chairman ſhall and may be appointed, and when and as often as it ſhall ſo happen that there ſhall be an equal Number of Votes upon any One Queſtion (including the Vote of the ſaid Chairman) then and in every ſuch Caſe, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Chairman to give the caſting or deciſive Vote.

Proceedings not valid until confirmed at a ſubſequent Meeting.

IX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Proceedings of the ſaid Truſtees at any Meeting to be held in purſuance of this Act, ſhall not be valid until approved of, confirmed and ſigned by the Chairman at ſome ſubſequent Meeting.

Truſtees not to act where intereſted.

X. Provided always, and be it enacted, That no Perſon ſhall be capable of acting as a Truſtee in the Execution of this Act, during ſuch Time as he ſhall hold any Office or Place of Profit under the ſaid Truſtees, or during ſuch Time as he ſhall have any Share or Intereſt in any Contract to be performed or done, or in the Supply of any Articles or Materials required under any of the Powers of this Act.

Entry of Truſtees Proceedings.

XI. And be it further enacted, That fair and regular Entries ſhall be made (in a Book or Books to be provided for that Purpoſe), of all the Acts, Bye Laws, Orders, Regulations, Directions and Proceedings of the ſaid Truſtees, relative to the Execution of this Act, and of the Names of the Truſtees who ſhall be preſent at the reſpective Meetings; and ſuch Entries ſhall be ſigned or ſubſcribed with the Name of the Chairman of each reſpective Meeting, and being ſo ſigned or ſubſcribed, ſhall be deemed Originals, and ſhall and may be produced and read as Evidence in all Courts whatſoever, in all Caſes, Suits, and Actions, touching any Thing done in purſuance of this Act or in anywiſe relating thereto.

XII. And

Truſtees may make Bye Laws.

XII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Truſtees, or the major Part of them preſent at any Meeting to be holden in purſuance of this Act, (ſuch Number preſent not being leſs than Five), from Time to Time to make ſuch Bye Laws, Rules, Orders and Regulations, for the better regulating their own Proceedings at any of their public Meetings, and of the Manner of convening and holding ſuch Meetings, and for the good Conduct and Behaviour of the ſeveral Officers and Servants employed by the ſaid Truſtees in the Execution of this Act, and for the better maintaining, governing, employing, managing and regulating the Poor of the Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and for the Application of the ſeveral Monies that may ariſe, be collected or received by virtue of this Act, to the Purpoſes thereof; and likewiſe from Time to Time to vary, alter, amend or repeal all or any of ſuch Bye Laws, Rules, Orders and Regulations, and to fix and appoint ſuch reaſonable Fines and Penalties for the Breach or Non-performance of any ſuch Bye Law, Rule, Order or Regulation or of any Part thereof, as to them ſhall ſeem right and proper, ſo that no ſuch Fine or Penalty ſhall exceed the Sum of Five Pounds, and all ſuch Bye Laws, Rules, Orders and Regulations when made, and all Alterations, Variations and Amendments thereof, ſhall be printed, and ſhall be affixed to the Door or Doors of the Court-houſe of the ſaid Manor and Liberty; and all ſuch Bye Laws, Rules, Orders and Regulations, when ſo made, printed and affixed, ſhall be good and binding upon all Perſons concerned, provided that the ſame be not inconſiſtent with or repugnant to the Laws of that Part of the United Kingdom called *England*, or inconſiſtent with or repugnant to the Proviſions and Directions in this Act contained, and the ſame ſhall be ſubject to Appeal in Manner hereinmentioned.

Bye Laws not to be repealed without Notice.

XIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That due Notice in Writing of all ſuch Bye Laws, Rules, Orders and Regulations, ſhall be affixed to the Court-houſe of the ſaid Manor and Liberty, or in ſuch other Place or Places as the ſaid Truſtees ſhall deem juſt and proper, Ten Days at leaſt immediately preceding their taking Effect; and that no ſuch Bye Law, Rule, Order or Regulation, when ſo made by the ſaid Truſtees, ſhall be varied, altered, amended or repealed, ſave and except at ſome Meeting to be holden for that Purpoſe, of which Meeting and of the Purpoſe thereof Ten Days Notice at the leaſt, either written or printed, with the Name of the Clerk to the ſaid Truſtees annexed thereto, ſhall be given to or left at the laſt or uſual Place of Abode of each and every Truſtee.

Truſtees to ſue and be ſued in the Name of their Clerk.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That the Truſtees appointed or to be appointed under this Act, ſhall and may ſue and be ſued in the Name of their Clerk or Clerks for the Time being, and that no Action or Suit which may be brought by or againſt the ſaid Truſtees or any of them in relation to this Act, in the Name of their Clerk or Clerks, ſhall abate or be diſcontinued by the Death or Removal of ſuch Clerk or Clerks, or by the Act of him or them, without the Conſent of the ſaid Truſtees, but the Clerk or Clerks for the Time being ſhall always be deemed Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, Defendant or Defendants, in every ſuch Action or Suit, as the Caſe may be: Provided always, that all and every ſuch Clerk or Clerks ſhall be reimburſed out of the Monies to be raiſed

by virtue of this Act, all such Costs, Damages and reasonable Expences as he or they shall be put unto or become charged or chargeable with, by reason of his or their being so made Plaintiff or Defendant or Plaintiffs or Defendants as aforesaid, provided that the said Defence or Action shall be carried on and continued with the Consent of the said Trustees.

Clerk and Collectors to inspect Poor and Land Tax Assessments.

XV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Clerk or Clerks, Receiver or Collector, to be appointed by the said Trustees in pursuance of this Act, or any other Person or Persons to be appointed by the said Trustees for that Purpose, at all convenient Times to inspect the Book of Assessments or Rates of the Poor or Land Tax for the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, for better ascertaining the Rates and Assessments to be raised and levied by virtue of this Act, and to take Copies thereof if necessary at the Expence of the said Trustees.

Officers appointed by former Acts to continue till removed.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That each and every Collector of the Rates, and the Treasurer, and the Master and Mistress of the Workhouse, and each and every Clerk, Agent, Beadle, and other Officer and Servant nominated and appointed by virtue of the said recited Act, shall hold and enjoy their several and respective Offices and Employments, together with the several and respective Salaries, Gratuities and Allowances thereto annexed, until he or she shall be removed therefrom respectively by the Trustees acting by virtue of this Act; and every such Collector and Treasurer, and the Master and Mistress of the Workhouse, and every such Clerk, Agent, Beadle, and other Officer and Servant, shall be subject to the like Pains and Penalties and Power of Removal, and to the like Rules and Regulations, as if he, she or they had been nominated and appointed by virtue of this Act.

Appointment of Officers.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall and may at their First or any subsequent Meeting appoint One or more Clerk or Clerks, Treasurer or Treasurers, Collector or Collectors of the Rates or Assessments, (such Collector or Collectors being a resident Householder or resident Householders in the Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial), and also a Master or Mistress of the Workhouse, and such other Officer or Officers for the Execution of this Act, and also such and so many Scavengers, Rakers, Cleansers and Waterers of the Streets, Squares, Lanes, Mewses, Courts, Alleys, Ma kets, and other public Places and Passages in the Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and also such and so many Keepers and Lighters of Lamps as the said Trustees shall think proper, and from Time to Time remove him or them, and appoint others, as they shall find necessary or convenient; and by and out of the Monies to be raised by virtue of this Act may, and they are hereby empowered to appoint and pay such Salaries and Allowances to such Officers, and to all other Persons by them the said Trustees employed in the Execution of this Act, as they shall think reasonable; and the said Trustees shall and may take such Security for the due Execution of the respective Offices by such Person or Persons as aforesaid as the said Trustees shall think proper; and such Person or Persons as is or are hereby made liable to pay the several Rates or Sums of Money hereby granted, shall pay the same to such Person or Persons as shall from Time to Time be

be ſo appointed to collect and receive the ſame, according to the true Meaning of this Act; and all ſuch Officers and Perſons ſo to be appointed as aforeſaid, ſhall, under their Hands, at ſuch Time and Times, and in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Truſtees ſhall direct, deliver to ſuch Truſtees or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint, true and perfect Accounts in Writing of all Matters and Things committed to their Charge by virtue of this Act, and alſo all the Monies which ſhall have been by ſuch Officer or Officers and Perſon or Perſons reſpectively received, by virtue and for the Purpoſes of this Act, and how much thereof hath been paid and diſburſed, and for what Purpoſes, together with the proper and legal Receipts or Vouchers for ſuch Payments, and ſhall pay all ſuch Monies as ſhall remain in their reſpective Hands to the ſaid Truſtees, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint; and all the ſaid Officers and Perſons ſo accounting as aforeſaid ſhall upon Oath if thereunto required by the ſaid Truſtees, verify the ſaid Accounts; and if any ſuch Officer or Perſon ſhall not make and render, or ſhall refuſe to verify upon Oath any ſuch Account, or to produce or to deliver up the Receipts or Vouchers relating to the ſame, or to make Payment as aforeſaid, or ſhall not deliver to the ſaid Truſtees or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint, within Seven Days after being thereunto required by ſuch Truſtees, all Books, Papers and Writings in his or their Cuſtody or Power relating to the Execution of this Act, or ſhall refuſe or neglect to pay ſuch Monies as upon the Balance of any Account or Accounts ſhall appear to be in their reſpective Hands to the ſaid Truſtees, or as they ſhall direct or appoint, then and in any or either of the Caſes aforeſaid, ſuch Truſtees may and they are hereby authorized and empowered to bring or cauſe to be brought any Action or Actions againſt the Officer or Officers, Perſon or Perſons ſo neglecting or refuſing as aforeſaid, in Order for the Recovery of the Monies that ſhall be in the Hands of ſuch Officer or Officers, Perſon or Perſons reſpectively; or if Complaint ſhall be made by the ſaid Truſtees, or by ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint for that Purpoſe, of any ſuch Refuſal or Neglect as aforeſaid, to any Two or more of the Juſtices of the Peace for the County or Place wherein ſuch Officer or Officers, Perſon or Perſons ſo neglecting or refuſing ſhall be and reſide, ſuch Juſtices may and are hereby authorized and required, by a Warrant or Warrants under their Hands and Seals, to cauſe the Officer or Officers, Perſon or Perſons ſo refuſing or neglecting to be brought before them, and upon his or their appearing 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 Parties, or by the Teſtimony of any credible Witneſs or Witneſſes upon Oath, it ſhall appear to ſuch Juſtices that any of the Monies that ſhall have been collected or raiſed by virtue of this Act ſhall be in the Hands of ſuch Officer or Officers, Perſon or Perſons, ſuch Juſtices may and they are hereby authorized and required, upon Non-payment thereof, by a Warrant or Warrants under their Hands and Seals, to cauſe ſuch Money to be levied by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of ſuch Officer or Officers, Perſon or Perſons reſpectively; and if no Goods or Chattels of ſuch Officer or Officers, Perſon or Perſons can be found, ſufficient to anſwer and ſatisfy the ſaid Money, and the Charges of diſtraining and ſelling the ſame, then and in any or either of the Caſes aforeſaid, ſuch Juſtices ſhall commit every ſuch Offender to the Common Gaol or Houſe of Correction for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize until he ſhall give and make a true and perfect Account

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and Payment as aforeſaid, or until he ſhall compound with the ſaid Truſtees, and ſhall have paid ſuch Compoſition in ſuch Manner as they ſhall appoint, (which Compoſition the ſaid Truſtees are hereby empowered to make), or until he ſhall deliver up ſuch Books, Papers and Writings as aforeſaid, or give Satisfaction in reſpect thereof to the ſaid Truſtees; provided that no Perſon who ſhall be committed by virtue of this Act on Account of his not having ſufficient Goods or Chattels ſhall be detained in Priſon for any longer Term than Six Calendar Months.

Officers taking any Fee or Reward beſides the Salary;

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon who ſhall be employed as a Clerk, Treaſurer, Collector, Maſter or Miſtreſs of the Workhouſe, or any other Officer or Servant who ſhall be in any ways employed by the ſaid Truſtees in putting this Act or any the Powers thereof in Execution, ſhall exact, take or accept any Fee or Reward whatſoever, other than ſuch Salaries, Allowances, and Rewards as ſhall be appointed, allowed and approved of by the ſaid Truſtees, for or on Account of any Thing done or to be done by virtue of this Act, or on any Account whatſoever relative to putting this Act in Execution, or ſhall any ways be concerned or intereſted in any Bargain or Contract made or to be made by the ſaid Truſtees for the Purpoſes of putting this Act in Execution, every ſuch Perſon ſo offending ſhall be incapable of ever ſerving or being employed under this Act, and ſhall over and above forfeit the Sum of Fifty Pounds to any Perſon or Perſons 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 Six Calendar Months after the Offence committed, in which ſaid Suit no Eſſoign, Protection or Wager of Law, or more than one Imparlance ſhall be allowed.

or being concerned in Intereſt in any Bargain or Contract, ſhall be diſqualified to be employed under this Act.

Perſons acting under the late Act to account.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That all and every Perſon and Perſons, acting or who have acted under the ſaid recited Act, who ſhall have in his, her, or their Cuſtody or Power any Money collected by virtue of, or any Books, Papers or Writings relating to the Execution of the ſaid recited Act, ſhall when thereunto required deliver up to the ſaid Truſtees appointed by this Act, all the Money received by him or them by virtue of the ſaid recited Act, and all the Books, Papers and Writings relating to the Execution thereof; and in caſe of Neglect or Refuſal ſo to do, it ſhall and may be lawful for any Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace of the County of *Middleſex* to make Enquiry concerning ſuch Default, either by the Confeſſion of the Party or Parties, or by the Teſtimony of any credible Witneſs or Witneſſes upon Oath, (which Oath ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices is and are hereby empowered and required to adminiſter); and if it ſhall be found that any Perſon or Perſons ſhall have any Money, Books, Papers or Writings in his, her or their Hands, received or poſſeſſed by virtue of the ſaid recited Act, and ſhall not pay or deliver up ſuch Money, Books, Papers and Writings as aforeſaid, ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices ſhall commit every ſuch Offender to the Common Gaol or Houſe of Correction, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize, until he or ſhe ſhall give and make a true and perfect Account and Payment as aforeſaid, or until he, ſhe or they ſhall have compounded with the ſaid Truſtees appointed by this Act, and ſhall have paid ſuch Compoſition in ſuch Manner as they ſhall appoint, (which Compoſition the ſaid Truſtees are hereby empowered to make), at any Meeting to be held in purſuance of this Act, or until he, ſhe or they ſhall have delivered up ſuch Books, Papers, and Writings as aforeſaid, or given Satisfaction to the ſaid Truſtees; provided that no Perſon who ſhall be committed by virtue of this Act on Account of his not having ſufficient Goods or

Chattels, ſhall be detained in Priſon for any longer Term than Six Calendar Months.

Lamps to be ſet up, &c.

XX. And, for the better lighting of the ſaid Squares, Streets, Lanes, Courts, Mewſes, Alleys, Paſſages and Places, it is hereby further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees from Time to Time to cauſe ſuch and ſo many Lamps to be ſet in ſuch Places within the Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and to be placed in ſuch Manner and at ſuch Diſtances as they ſhall judge neceſſary, and may contract or agree with any Perſon or Perſons for ſuch Lamps, or may find and provide the ſame if they ſhall think fit; and alſo may contract or agree with any Perſon or Perſons for the lighting, ſupplying, maintaining and repairing ſuch Lamps; or the ſaid Truſtees may find and provide any Oil, Cotton, Burners, or any other Materials for the lighting, ſupplying, maintaining, and repairing the ſame, ſo that the ſame ſhall be lighted at Sun-ſetting, and continue burning until Sun-riſing throughout the Year.

Lamp Irons to be affixed againſt Walls, &c.

Penalty on wilfully damaging Lamps, &c.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees to order and direct Lamp Irons to be put or affixed againſt the Walls of all or any of the ſeveral Houſes or Tenements within the Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, or into, upon, or againſt the Rails before the Areas, or in ſuch Manner and in ſuch other Place as the ſaid Truſtees ſhall think proper or convenient; and if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall wilfully take away, break, throw down or damage any Lamp that ſhall be ſet up for the Purpoſes of lighting any of the ſaid Squares, Streets, Lanes, Courts, Yards, Mewſes, Alleys, Paſſages or Places, or wilfully extinguiſh the Light or Lights within the ſame, or throw down or damage the Irons or other Furniture thereof, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for any Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, as the Caſe may be, upon Complaint to him or them made, to grant a Warrant to bring before him or them ſuch Offender or Offenders, at the Time and Place as in ſuch Warrant ſhall be ſpecified, or to and for any Perſon or Perſons whomſoever who ſhall ſee ſuch Offence committed, to ſeize, as alſo for any other Perſon or Perſons to aſſiſt in ſeizing the Offender or Offenders, and by Authority of this Act, and without any other Warrant, to convey and deliver him, her or them into the Cuſtody of a Peace Officer; and ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices ſhall examine upon Oath any Witneſs or Witneſſes who ſhall appear or be produced to give Information or Evidence touching ſuch Offence, (which Oath the ſaid Juſtice or Juſtices is and are hereby authorized and required to adminiſter); and if the Party or Parties accuſed ſhall be convicted of any ſuch Offence, either by his, her, or their Confeſſion, or upon ſuch Information or Evidence as aforeſaid, he, ſhe, or they ſo convicted ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Twenty Shillings for each Lamp or Lamp Iron ſo broken, thrown down and damaged, or for every Light ſo extinguiſhed as aforeſaid; and moreover, ſhall make full Satisfaction to the ſaid Truſtees, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint to receive the ſame, for the Damage ſo by him, her or them done as aforeſaid; and in caſe ſuch Offender or Offenders ſhall not on Conviction pay ſuch Forfeiture and make ſuch Satisfaction as aforeſaid, ſuch Juſtice is hereby required to commit him, her or them to the Common Gaol or Houſe of Correction for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, there to be kept to hard Labour for any Space not exceeding One Calendar Month, nor leſs than Seven Days, and ſuch Offender

On Non-payment, Offender to be committed.

fender or Offenders ſhall not be diſcharged before the Expiration of the Time for which he, ſhe or they ſhall be ſo committed, unleſs ſuch Forfeiture and Satisfaction ſhall be ſooner paid and given.

Perſons accidentally damaging Lamps, etc. to make Satisfaction.

XXII And be it further enacted, That in caſe any Perſon or Perſons ſhall careleſsly or accidentally break, throw down or damage any Lamp or Lamps, hung out or ſet up by Order of the ſaid Truſtees, within the Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, or the Irons, or other Furniture thereof, and ſhall not immediately upon Demand make Satisfaction for the Damage done thereto, then and in every ſuch Caſe it ſhall and may be lawful to and for any One Juſtice of the Peace in and for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, upon Complaint made to him by One or more credible Witneſs or Witneſſes, to ſummon before him the Party or Parties who ſhall be complained of for doing ſuch Damages as aforeſaid, and upon hearing the Allegations and Proofs on both Sides or Non-appearance of the Party or Parties ſo complained of, to award ſuch Sum or Sums of Money by way of Satisfaction to the Owner of ſuch Lamp or Lamps, or to the ſaid Truſtees, as the Caſe ſhall be, for ſuch Damages, as ſuch Juſtice ſhall think reaſonable; and in caſe of Neglect or Refuſal to pay any Sum or Sums of Money ſo awarded within Ten Days after demanded, to cauſe the ſame to be levied and applied as Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures are by this Act herein directed to be levied and applied.

Truſtees may contract for cleanſing the Streets.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees to contract and agree with any Perſon or Perſons for cleanſing from Time to Time all and every the Squares, Streets, Courts, Alleys, Lanes, open Places and other Paſſages in that Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial; and ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall once or oftener, in every Week, well and effectually ſweep or cauſe to be ſwept and cleanſed in a proper Manner, all and every the Squares, Streets, Courts, Alleys, Lanes, Paſſages and other Places within the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and afterwards carry or cauſe to be carried away all Dirt and Soil there made, found or ſwept up; and ſhall alſo once or oftener in every Week, if there ſhall be Occaſion, bring or cauſe to be brought a competent Number of Carts or Carriages into all the Parts aforeſaid, where ſuch Carts or Carriages can be drawn near or paſs unto, and at or before their Approach, by Bell, Horn, Clapper or otherwiſe, by a loud Noiſe or Cry ſhall give Notice to the Inhabitants of their coming, and give the like Notice in every other Place into which the ſaid Carts or Carriages cannot come or paſs, and all the Soil, Aſhes, Rubbiſh, Duſt and Filth, in the reſpective Houſes in all ſuch Squares, Streets, Courts, Alleys, Lanes, Paſſages and other Places, ſhall be taken and carried away by the Perſon or Perſons ſo contracted with as aforeſaid, his or their Agents or Servants, upon Pain of forfeiting any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings for every Neglect or Default, (except all ſuch Rubbiſh, Earth, Duſt, Dirt, Filth and Soil, as ſhall be occaſioned by building, repairing, amending, or altering any Houſe or Houſes, or any other Building or Buildings), which ſaid Rubbiſh, Earth, Duſt, and Soil thereby occaſioned, ſhall forthwith after ſuch building, repairing, or altering is finiſhed, be carried away by the Owners or Occupiers of ſuch Houſes or Buildings reſpectively as aforeſaid, upon pain of forfeiting and paying any Sum of Money not exceeding Five Pounds for every Offence, and ſuch Penalty ſhall be recovered, levied,

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and applied as other Penalties are by this Act directed to be recovered, levied and applied.

For preventing Ashes or Dust being taken away except by Contractor.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons, other than the Person or Persons contracting with the said Trustees, or those employed under such Contractor, shall on any Pretence whatever go about to collect or gather, receive or carry away any Dust, Dirt, Cinders or Ashes, from any House or other Premises in any Square, Street, Court, or Place under the Management of the said Trustees, it shall and may be lawful for any Person or Persons who shall see such Offence committed, to seize, and also for any other Person or Persons to assist in seizing the Offender, and by Authority of this Act and without any other Warrant, to convey him, her, or them before some Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex*; and such Justice shall examine upon Oath the Person or Persons apprehending the Offender or Offenders, or any Witness or Witnesses who shall appear to give Information touching such Offence, and if the Party shall be convicted, he, she or they shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Twenty Shillings, and one Moiety of such Penalty shall be paid to the Person or Persons who shall apprehend the Offender, and the other Moiety to the said Trustees; and if such Offender shall not immediately upon Conviction pay the said Penalty, the said Justice is hereby required to commit him, her, or them to the Common Gaol or House of Correction, there to be kept to hard Labour for any Time not exceeding Twenty Days, nor less than Seven Days, unless such Penalty be sooner paid: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall extend to prevent or hinder the Owner of such Dust, Dirt, Cinders and Ashes, to carry away the same for his or her own Use, but not for Sale.

Trustees to appoint Watchmen and Beadles.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall and may from Time to Time yearly and every year, appoint what Number of Watchmen they shall judge necessary to be kept in the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, for the Year ensuing or any other Space of Time, and nominate, elect and appoint such honest and able-bodied Men to be employed in that Service as they shall think best qualified for the same; and also one or more Beadle or Beadles (but not exceeding two); and shall likewise appoint and set down in writing, how, where, and at what Stands the several Watchmen shall be stationed, and in what Manner and how often they shall go their Rounds, and how they shall be armed and clothed, and for what Time or how long they shall continue upon their Watch, and what Wages shall be allowed and paid to every such Watchman, Beadle or Beadles respectively, for their Attendance and Duty, and also shall order and set down in Writing in what Manner the Constable, Headboroughs, and Beadle or Beadles of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, shall respectively attend, and in what Parts thereof; and the said Trustees are hereby authorized from Time to Time to uphold, support, sustain, maintain and keep in good and sufficient Repair, the Watchhouse for the Time being belonging to the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and likewise to hire and erect proper Places for the Stands or Reception of such Watchmen, and likewise to make and set down in Writing all such Orders and Regulations for the Government and Direction of the Constable, Headboroughs, Beadles and Watchmen respectively, for the Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and for the due Execution of this Act, as the

Nature of each particular Service ſhall appear to the ſaid Truſtees to require, ſo as the ſame be not contrary or repugnant to the Laws of this Realm.

Copies of Orders to be delivered by the Clerk to the Conſtable, Headboroughs, Watchmen and Beadles.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That all Orders and Regulations which ſhall from Time to Time be made for the better Direction and Government of the Conſtable, Headboroughs, Beadles and Watchmen as aforeſaid, ſhall be ſigned by the ſaid Truſtees preſent at the making thereof, and entered in a Book or Books to be kept by the Clerk, who ſhall be appointed by the ſaid Truſtees in purſuance of this Act; and ſuch Clerk ſhall cauſe a Copy of all ſuch Orders ſigned by him to be delivered to the Conſtable and Headboroughs for the Time being reſpectively, within that Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, or their ſufficient Deputy or Deputies to be approved of by the ſaid Truſtees, and alſo to the Beadle or Beadles and Watchmen of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial; which Orders every ſuch Conſtable, Headborough, Beadle and Watchmen, ſhall to the utmoſt of their Power obſerve, upon Pain to forfeit and pay for every Neglect or Default in not obſerving the ſame any Sum not exceeding Twenty Shillings.

Conſtable, &c. to apprehend all ſuſpected Perſons.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That every ſuch Conſtable and Headborough, or their Deputy or Deputies, to be allowed and approved of as aforeſaid, and ſuch Beadle or Beadles to be appointed as aforeſaid, ſhall in their ſeveral Turns or Courſes of Watching, uſe their beſt Endeavours to prevent all Miſchiefs happening by Fire, and all Murders, Burglaries, Robberies, and other Outrages and Diſorders, and to that End ſhall, and they are hereby reſpectively empowered and required to apprehend and detain all Malefactors, Rogues, Vagabonds, and Diſturbers of the Peace and all Perſons whom they ſhall have Reaſon to ſuſpect have any evil Deſigns, and who ſhall be found loitering or miſbehaving themſelves in any Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial; and ſhall enter their Apprehenſion, and record the Charge againſt them in a Watch-houſe Charge Book, to be ſigned by the Officer of the Night, and ſhall take or carry them as ſoon as conveniently may be before one or more Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, to be examined and dealt with according to Law: and every Conſtable and Headborough, and their Deputy or Deputies to be allowed as aforeſaid, ſhall twice or oftener at convenient Times in every Night in which they ſhall reſpectively watch, go about the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty, and ſhall take Notice whether all the Watchmen perform their Duties in their ſeveral Stations, according to ſuch Orders and Regulations as ſhall be made for that Purpoſe as aforeſaid; and in caſe any Watchman ſhall miſbehave himſelf or neglect his Duty, the ſaid Conſtable, Headboroughs, or their Deputy or Deputies as aforeſaid, who ſhall diſcover the ſame, ſhall as ſoon as conveniently may be give Notice thereof to the Overſeers of the Poor for the Time being of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, who are hereby authorized and required to ſuſpend every ſuch Watchman from the Execution of his Office, and appoint ſome other fit Perſon or Perſons to officiate therein until the next Meeting of the ſaid Truſtees ſhall be had, when the ſaid Overſeers or one of them ſhall attend and acquaint the Truſtees aſſembled at ſuch next Meeting with the Miſbehaviour or Neglect of ſuch Watchman, in order for the ſaid Truſtees to proceed to the Examination of the Offence, and to make ſuch Order in the Premiſes as to them ſhall ſeem juſt; and if any

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such Overseer shall omit to attend such Trustees at their said Meeting, to make out his Charge against any such Watchman, every such Overseer shall forfeit and pay for every such his Neglect or Default any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings.

Penalties on Constable, Headboroughs or Beadles neglecting their Duty.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That if the Constable or any of the Headboroughs, Deputies, Beadle or Beadles within the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, shall wilfully neglect to attend in his or their turn to keep watch, or shall not come to keep watch, in Manner or during the Times which shall be appointed by the said Trustees for his or their Attendance therein, or shall depart from or leave keeping Watch during the respective Hours which shall be appointed by the said Trustees for keeping the same, or shall in anywise neglect his or their Duty, or misbehave himself or themselves, in each and every of the said Cases the Person or Persons so offending shall respectively forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings for every such Offence.

Watchmen to apprehend suspected Persons.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Watchmen or any of them, during the Time of their keeping Watch, to apprehend and detain all Malefactors, Rogues, Vagabonds, Disturbers of the Peace, and all other Persons whom they shall have any just Reason to suspect have any evil Designs, and who shall be found by them loitering or misbehaving themselves within any Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, and to deliver the Person or Persons who shall be so apprehended by them or any of them, as soon as conveniently may be, to the Constable, Headborough or Deputy of the Night, Beadle or Beadles, who shall be at the Watch-house of the said Manor and Liberty, who is and are hereby required to detain every such Person, and with all convenient Speed to carry the Person or Persons who shall be so apprehended by any such Watchman or Watchmen before some Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex*, to be examined and dealt with according to Law.

For preventing Nuisances, &c.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall at any Time hereafter drive or place, or cause to be driven or placed in any of the Carriageways within that Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, any Waggon, Dray or Cart, with or without Horses, and cause or permit or suffer the same Waggon, Dray or Cart, to stand or remain in any of the said Squares, Streets or other public Passages or Places within the Limits aforesaid, for any longer Time than shall be necessary for the loading or unloading thereof, or shall cause or permit or suffer any Stage Coach, Post Coach, Post Chaise or other Carriage let to Hire (except Hackney Coaches authorized to stand in any of the said Squares, Streets or Places, by the Commissioners of Hackney Coaches), to stand or remain in any of the said Squares, Streets and Places within the Limits aforesaid, for any longer Time than shall be necessary to taking up and setting down Passengers, or for loading or unloading their Baggage or other Loading (except for repair in Cases of Accident), or shall place, or cause, permit or suffer any Horse to stand at the Door of the House of any Person, so as to obstruct or incommode the Passage of any of the said Footways, or shall lay, or cause to be laid or placed any Timber, Bricks, Stones, Wood, Goods or other Things, and suffer the same to remain in any of the said

Squares, Streets or other public Paſſages or Places, for any longer Time than ſhall be neceſſary for removing or houſing the ſame, or for the repairing of any Houſe or Building, as the Caſe may happen to be, or ſhall put, place or hang out, or ſuffer to remain in any of the ſaid Squares, Streets, public Paſſages or Places, or upon the Pavements or Footways, any Goods, Wares or Merchandize expoſed for Show or Sale, or any Baſkets, Barrows, Stands or other Things, to the Interruption of any ſuch Footways, Pavements or Carriageways, or ſhall put or place, or leave or ſuffer any Meat, Fiſh or Vegetables, or other Articles of a like Deſcription, to the Annoyance of any of the Inhabitants or Paſſengers or Interruption of any Footways, Pavements or Carriageways in the ſaid Streets, or at the Door of any Public Houſe, it ſhall be lawful for the Beadle or Beadles of that Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, or any other Perſon or Perſons to be appointed by the ſaid Truſtees, to ſeize any ſuch Waggon, Dray or Cart, Stage Coach, Poſt Coach, Poſt Chaiſe or other Carriage let on Hire (except as aforeſaid), together with the Horſe or Horſes (if any ſhall be thereunto belonging), and ſuch Horſe ſo ſtanding at the Door of any Perſon to the obſtruction of the Paſſage of any ſuch Footways, and alſo to ſeize ſuch Timber, Bricks, Stones, Wood, Goods, Wares or Merchandize or other Things as aforeſaid, and cauſe the ſame to be removed to ſome convenient Place or Places to be appointed by the ſaid Truſtees, there to be kept and detained until the Owner or Owners thereof, or other Perſon or Perſons intereſted, ſhall have paid and diſcharged all Coſts, Charges and Expences attending the carrying away, depoſiting and keeping the ſame as aforeſaid, as alſo a Penalty not exceeding Twenty Shillings for each ſuch Offence; and in caſe the ſame ſhall not be claimed and the ſaid Penalty and Charges paid within the Space of Six Hours, if Fiſh, Meat, Vegetables or other Articles of a periſhable Nature, and becoming decayed or ſtinking, or likely ſo to be, and within the Space of Five Days, if not periſhable or of ſuch Deſcription as aforeſaid, next after ſuch Seiſure and Removal thereof, then it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees to order the ſame to be appraiſed and ſold, and the Overplus (if any) of the Money ariſing by ſuch Sale ſhall be returned to the Owner or Owners thereof on Demand, after deducting the ſaid Penalty and Coſts, Charges and Expences attending ſuch Seizure, removing, appraiſing, and ſelling the ſame.

Power to impound Beaſts ſorted or wandering in the Streets.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That if any Drover or other Perſon or Perſons ſhall ſtop to ſort, allot or divide any Sheep, Cattle, Swine or other Beaſt, or if any Sheep, Cattle, Swine or other Beaſts ſhall be found wandering about any of the Squares, Streets or other Paſſages within the Limits aforeſaid, it ſhall be lawful for any Perſon or Perſons appointed by the ſaid Truſtees to ſeize and impound ſuch Sheep, Cattle, Swine or other Beaſts in ſuch Place as they ſhall appoint, and the ſame there to detain until the Owner or Owners thereof ſhall for every ſuch Sheep, Cattle, Swine or Beaſt ſo impounded, pay any Sum not exceeding Five Shillings to the Perſon impounding and keeping the ſame; and in caſe the ſaid Sum, Charges and Expences ſhall not be paid within Five Days after ſuch impounding, it ſhall be lawful to and for the ſaid Truſtees to ſell or cauſe to be ſold the ſame, and the Money ariſing from ſuch Sale, after deducting the ſaid Sum and the Charges and Expences of impounding, keeping and ſelling ſuch Sheep, Cattle, Swine or other Beaſt, ſhall be paid on Demand to the Perſon whoſe Property the ſame ſo ſold ſhall appear to have been.

XXXII. And

All Contracts, &c. to be entered into Books.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Truſtees ſhall cauſe Copies or Extracts of all Contracts and Agreements entered into and made by virtue of this Act, and all Receipts, Payments, Debts and Credits, Matters and Things relating to the reſpective Purpoſes of this Act, to be fairly written and entered in a Book or Books to be provided and kept for thoſe Purpoſes, which Book or Books ſhall from Time to Time and at all convenient Times be open to the Inſpection and Peruſal of any Perſon or Perſons paying to the Rates or Aſſeſſments to be made in purſuance of this Act.

Directions to Overſeers to attend the Workhouſe.

XXXIII. And for the better governing, maintaining, and employing and regulating the Poor of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extra-parochial, as to the ſaid Truſtees ſhall appear neceſſary and expedient; be it further enacted, That the Overſeers of the Poor for the Time being of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extra-parochial, ſhall and are hereby required to attend at the Workhouſe of the ſaid Manor and Liberty once in every Week ſeparately, each on a different Day in the Week, during the Time of their continuing in the ſaid Office of Overſeer, and to examine into the State of the Poor and of their Complaints, and Proviſions and Neceſſaries, and which of them are or are not able to work, and alſo to examine all ſuch Bills as ſhall be delivered in for any Goods or Wares received at the Workhouſe, and check and compare the ſame with the Maſter of the ſaid Workhouſe before ſuch Bills ſhall be audited by the ſaid Truſtees; and each and every of the ſaid Overſeers ſhall alſo examine and ſee that the Poor as well as the Maſter and Miſtreſs of the ſaid Workhouſe do ſeverally conform to the Rules and Regulations which ſhall be from Time to Time made by the ſaid Truſtees, and ſhall at every Time of their Attendance as aforeſaid ſign their Names in a Book to be provided for that Purpoſe, and kept at the ſaid Workhouſe, and alſo the Day of the Month and Time of their attending at the ſaid Workhouſe; and in caſe any Complaint ſhall be made or any Thing ſhal be found amiſs, or ſhall appear to any of the ſaid Overſeers to want Amendment, the Overſeer to whom the ſame ſhall be made appear, ſhall enter the Particulars thereof in the ſaid Book ſo to be ſigned as abovementioned, which ſaid Book the Maſter of the Workhouſe for the Time being ſhall from Time to Time lay or cauſe to be laid before the ſaid Truſtees at each and every of their monthly Meetings at the ſaid Workhouſe, for the Inſpection and Direction of the ſaid Truſtees; and that in caſe any Overſeer or Overſeers ſhall neglect or refuſe to attend at the ſaid Workhouſe or to ſign the ſaid Book in Manner as aforeſaid, or in caſe any Maſter of the ſaid Workhouſe ſhall neglect or refuſe to lay or cauſe to be laid the ſaid Book before the ſaid Truſtees at their ſeveral monthly Meetings as aforeſaid, every ſuch Overſeer or Overſeers and Maſter ſhall for every ſuch Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings for the uſe of the Poor of the ſaid Manor and Liberty as aforeſaid.

Contracts may be entered into for Work and Furniture, &c. to be provided for the Workhouſe.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Truſtees ſhall and may and they are hereby authorized and empowered to contract or agree with any Perſon or Perſons whomſoever for altering, enlarging or repairing the ſaid Workhouſe, or making any additional Buildings thereto. and alſo to purchaſe or provide, either by Contract or otherwiſe, ſuch Furniture as may from Time to Time be wanted therein; and alſo in like Manner from Time to Time to purchaſe and provide all ſuch Furniture,

niture, Goods, Proviſions, Cloathing, Tools and Utenſils, and ſuch Materials and Things as they ſhall think proper for the ſaid Workhouſe, and maintaining, providing for and employing the Poor of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extra-parochial, and ſhall pay or order the Payment of the Monies due or to become due upon any ſuch Contracts, Agreements or Purchaſes, to the Perſon or Perſons entitled to receive the ſame; and the ſaid Truſtees ſhall and may take the Benefit of the Work, Labour and Service of any ſuch Poor and apply the ſame towards their Maintenance.

Truſtees may take the Labour of the Poor to be applied for their Maintenance.

Puniſhment of diſorderly Perſons.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That if any poor Perſon maintained in the ſaid Workhouſe ſhall embezzle or purloin any of the Apparel provided for any of the Poor, or of the Goods, Proviſions, or any Materials for Work provided for or belonging to the ſame, or ſhall refuſe to work, or ſhall be guilty of profane curſing or ſwearing, or otherwiſe miſbehave himſelf or herſelf; it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees to cauſe ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo offending to be puniſhed in ſuch Workhouſe, either by Confinement not exceeding Forty-eight Hours, or by Diſtinction in Dreſs or Diet, as may beſt tend to remedy and prevent ſuch Offences for the future.

Rewards to be given to the Poor if Truſtees ſhall think fit.

XXXVI. And to the End that all the Poor in the ſaid Workhouſe may be encouraged to apply themſelves with Diligence to the Labour or Taſks in which they may be employed; be it further enacted, That out of the Profits ariſing from the Work which ſhall be done by the Poor, ſuch Rewards ſhall be diſtributed to the induſtrious and ſkilful, in Proportion to the Quality and Perfection of their Work, as to the ſaid Truſtees ſhall appear reaſonable.

Security for Baſtard Children.

XXXVII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Truſtees to take, accept and receive Security from any Perſon or Perſons, for indemnifying ſuch Perſon or Perſons againſt any Claim or Demand to be made by the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, for the Maintenance of any Baſtard Child or Children reſpectively.

Vagrants and Perſons threatening to leave their Families.

XXXVIII. And whereas divers Perſons belonging to and who ought by the Laws now in force to be relieved by the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, are found wandering and begging in the ſaid Manor and Liberty, and committing Acts of Vagrancy, and miſbehaving themſelves by expoſing in an indecent Manner their Perſons or Limbs: And whereas divers Perſons by Reaſon of their idle and diſorderly living, neglect or refuſe to maintain or threaten to deſert their Families not being able to maintain themſelves, and if Power were given to apprehend ſuch Perſons and ſend them to ſuch Workhouſe or Workhouſes, there to be dealt with in Manner herein mentioned, it might tend to enure them to a Habit of Induſtry and make them uſeful to the Public; be it therefore enacted, That the ſaid Truſtees ſhall and they hereby have Power and Authority to receive, and to order and compel all and every Perſons or Perſon found wandering and begging in the ſaid Part of the Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, or committing Acts of Vagrancy, and alſo all and every idle and diſorderly Perſons or Perſon neglecting or refuſing to maintain or threatening to deſert their Families not being

being able to maintain themſelves, and who ſhall belong to or ought by any Law now in force to be received and provided for by ſuch Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, to come into, dwell, inhabit and work in the ſaid Workhouſe or Workhouſes, and to detain, keep, maintain and employ, all ſuch reſpective Poor and Perſons therein, ſo long as it ſhall not appear to the ſaid Truſtees on the Part of any ſuch poor Perſons that any of them reſpectively are of Ability or can otherwiſe be ſufficiently maintained and provided for without the Aid and Proviſion of the ſaid Truſtees; and ſhall have Power and Authority to employ, and compel all ſuch Poor who ſhall be received or come into, dwell, and be in the ſaid Workhouſe, during ſuch their Abode and Reſidence there and whilſt maintained by the ſaid Truſtees, to do, execute and perform ſuch Work, Labour, Buſineſs and Employ, as the ſaid Truſtees at any of their monthly Meetings ſhall think and judge ſuch reſpective Poor are and ſhall be able and fit to do and perform, for the Uſe of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, and to detain and keep all ſuch Perſons found wandering and begging therein and committing Acts of Vagrancy, and alſo all ſuch idle and diſorderly Perſons who ſhall have ſo deſerted, threatened to leave, neglected or refuſed to maintain, his or their Families, and to ſet each of them to work in ſuch Workhouſe during ſuch Time and until every ſuch Perſon, by his or her Work or Labour there, ſhall have got and raiſed ſo much Money above their Maintenance as ſhall be ſufficient to repay and reimburſe to the ſaid Truſtees the Charges and Expences they ſhall have ſuſtained in the maintaining and providing for every ſuch Perſon and his or her Family; and in caſe ſuch Perſon ſhall not by his or her Work and Labour have gained ſo much Money as ſhall be ſufficient to reimburſe to the ſaid Truſtees the Charges and Expences of having maintained him or her or any of his or her Family as aforeſaid, and ſhall neglect or refuſe to apply himſelf or herſelf to ſuch reaſonable Work or Labour as ſhall be given to him or her by the Governor or Maſter of ſuch Workhouſe under the Directions aforeſaid, then the ſaid Truſtees at any of their monthly Meetings ſhall have Power to detain and keep ſuch Perſon within ſuch Workhouſe or Workhouſes to hard Labour for the Space of Thirty Days.

Paupers to be removed by Beadles inſtead of Overſeers.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That whenever any poor Perſon or Perſons, or any Vagrant or Vagrants ſhall be ordered to be removed from the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, to the Place or Pariſh of his, her or their legal Settlement, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees (if they ſhall think fit) to cauſe ſuch poor Perſon or Perſons, Vagrant or Vagrants, to be reſpectively moved in the uſual Manner of removing Paupers or Vagrants by a Beadle or ſome Perſon or Perſons to be appointed by the ſaid Truſtees for that Purpoſe by Writing under their Hands; and every Overſeer and other proper Officer of the Pariſh or Place to which ſuch poor Perſon or Perſons, Vagrant or Vagrants, ſhall be ordered to be removed as aforeſaid, is hereby required to receive every ſuch poor Perſon or Perſons, Vagrant or Vagrants, in like Manner as he or they would have been bound to do if ſuch poor Perſon or Perſons, Vagrant or Vagrants, had been delivered to him, her, or them by One of the Overſeers of the Poor of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, any Law, Cuſtom or Uſage to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Punishment of Persons for buying or taking into Pawn.

XL. And whereas many Persons maintained and cloathed in the Workhouse of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial by the Overseers thereof, pawn and dispose of their Cloaths and Apparel, and the Goods and Chattels deposited in or belonging to the said Workhouse, and by the Laws now in being no Punishment can be inflicted on them or on the Person or Persons buying or receiving the same into Pawn; be it therefore further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall knowingly buy, receive into Pawn or secrete any of the Cloaths or Wearing Apparel of any of the Poor who are or shall be received into and maintained in the Workhouse or Workhouses of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, or any of the Goods or Materials carried into the said Workhouse or Workhouses, to be wrought up, manufactured or used by the Poor there, or any of the Goods and Furniture of the said Workhouse or Workhouses, or shall receive or buy any of the Provisions allotted to or provided for the Poor in the said Workhouse or Workhouses, or shall be aiding or assisting therein, every Person so offending shall forfeit for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding the Sum of Twenty Pounds, nor less than Ten Pounds, upon Conviction by the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, before any One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex*; which Penalty shall be levied by Warrant under the Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals of the said Justice or Justices, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Offender or Offenders, and one Moiety of such Penalty shall be paid to the Informer or Informers, and the other Moiety to the Overseers of the Poor of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial or one of them, for the use of the Poor thereof; and if no Goods or Chattels can be found whereon to make such Distress, or if the said Penalty shall not be forthwith paid, then and in such Case such Justice or Justices shall and may, by Warrant under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, commit such Offender or Offenders to the Common Gaol or House of Correction, there to be kept to hard Labour for any Time not exceeding Three Calendar Months, unless such Penalty and all Expences shall be sooner paid and satisfied.

Lamps, &c. and Furniture provided for the Poor vested in Trustees.

XLI. And be it further enacted, That the Property of all and every the Lamps, Lamp Irons, Posts and other Materials belonging thereto, and also the Property of all and every the Goods, Chattels, Furniture, Provisions, Cloaths, Linen and Wearing Apparel, Tools, Utensils, Materials and Things whatsoever, had and to be had, bought, procured and provided for the Use of the Poor of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, and for carrying into Execution the several Purposes of this Act, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the Trustees of the same Manor and Liberty for the Time being, and their Successors, for the Purposes of this Act, who are hereby empowered to bring or cause to be brought any Action or Actions, or to prefer any Bill of Indictment against any Person or Persons who shall steal, take away, break, extinguish, damage or spoil any of such Lamps, Lamp Irons, Posts and other Materials thereto, or who shall steal, take or carry away, all or any Part of such Goods, Chattels, Furniture, Provisions, Cloaths, Linen, and Wearing Apparel, Utensils, Materials, and Things whatsoever, the Property of which said Lamps, Lamp Irons, Posts, Goods, Chattels, Furniture, Provisions, Utensils, Materials and other Mat-

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ters and Things ſhall be laid in every ſuch Action and Indictment to be the Property of the Truſtees of the Poor of the Manor and Liberty of *Norton Folgate* otherwiſe *Norton Folley*, which is extra-parochial, in the County of *Middleſex*, and without mentioning or ſpecifying the Name or Names of all or any of the ſaid Truſtees.

Old Rates to be deemed good.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That each and every Rate and Aſſeſſment now ordered and directed to be levied, aſſeſſed and collected by and under the Authority of the ſaid recited Act, ſhall and may be levied, aſſeſſed and collected, by ſuch Ways and Means and under ſuch Reſtrictions and Regulations as any Rate or Aſſeſſment ordered and directed to be levied, aſſeſſed and collected by virtue of this Act, can or may be raiſed, levied and collected.

Rates for lighting, &c. to be made.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Truſtees ſhall once or oftener in every Year meet together at the Court-houſe in the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, or at ſome other convenient Place within the ſame, and they the ſaid Truſtees or any Five or more of them ſo aſſembled, ſhall and they are hereby required then to ſettle and aſcertain the Sum of Money neceſſary to be raiſed and laid by an equal and indifferent Pound Rate, upon all and every the Occupier and Occupiers of any Meſſuages, Shops, Warehouſes, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments within the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, not exceeding Two Shillings in the Pound by the Year on the Annual Rent or Value of all ſuch Meſſuages, Shops, Warehouſes, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, for the Purpoſe of lighting, watching and cleanſing the Squares, Streets, Lanes, Courts, Yards, Mewſes, Alleys, Paſſages and other Places therein, and alſo for the Payment of the ſeveral Principal Sums, Annuities and Intereſt charged or to be charged on ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment by this Act directed to be made, and for liquidating the Debt or Sum of Money now due from ſuch Part of the ſame Manor and Liberty; and after ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment ſhall have been ſo ſettled and aſcertained, the ſame ſhall be raiſed, levied and collected in Manner by this Act directed.

Poor Rates to be made.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That the Overſeers of the Poor and Truſtees qualified as aforeſaid, ſhall aſſemble and meet together Four Times or oftener in every Year at the Court-houſe in the ſaid Manor and Liberty, which is extraparochial, or at ſome other convenient Place within the ſame; and they the ſaid Overſeers of the Poor and Truſtees or any Five or more of them ſo aſſembled, ſhall and they are hereby required then to ſettle and aſcertain by an equal and indifferent Pound Rate the Sum of Money neceſſary to be raiſed and laid upon all and every the Occupier and Occupiers of Meſſuages, Shops, Warehouſes, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments in the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, for the Relief, Maintenance, Lodging and Employment of the Poor therein and alſo for Payment of the ſeveral Principal Sums, Annuities and Intereſt charged or to be charged on ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment by this Act directed to be made, and for liquidating the Debt or Sum of Money now due from ſuch Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty, which Rate or Aſſeſſment ſhall be laid according to the annual Rent or Value of all ſuch Meſſuages, Shops, Warehouſes, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and when ſo ſettled and aſcertained ſhall be raiſed, levied and collected in Manner by this Act directed.

XLV. And

For rating Places of Public Worship, &c.

XLV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Overseers and Trustees, or any Five or more of them, from Time to Time to rate and assess all Meeting-houses and other Places of Public Worship, Public Schools, Societies, Markets, and other Public Buildings, Warehouses, Wharfs, and vacant Spaces of Ground, situate, lying and being in, or abutting on the Streets and Places under their respective Management, to all and every the Rates or Assessments by this Act directed to be made, which Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, shall be paid by the Owner or Owners, Proprietor or Proprietors thereof respectively, and shall be recovered and applied as the other Rates or Assessments hereby made payable are to be recovered and applied.

Overseers and Trustees may rectify Omissions in Rates.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That if it shall appear to the said Trustees, at any Time after making of any Rate or Assessment to be made by them under the Authority of this Act, that the Name of any Person liable to be included in such Rate or Assessment hath been omitted therein, it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to add or cause to be added to such Rate or Assessment the Name of the Person so omitted, together with the Sum at which he or she ought to be so rated, and the Amount of such Rate or Assessment in respect thereof; and every such Addition made to any of the said Rates shall be as valid and effectual in Law to all Intents and Purposes as if the same had been inserted in the Rate at the Time the same was first made out.

Rates to be allowed by Justices.

XLVII. And be it further enacted, That no Rate or Assessment so to be made and signed in Manner aforesaid, for the Relief of the Poor of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, shall be valid unless allowed by Two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace acting in and for the County of *Middlesex*, and Notice thereof shall be given in the Court-house of the said Manor and Liberty on the *Tuesday* next after the same shall be made.

And being so allowed to be deemed valid.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Rate or Assessment, so made and signed by the said Trustees and allowed by Two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace as aforesaid, shall be deemed and taken to be as good, valid and effectual, and shall and may be received, collected and levied in like Manner as if the same had been made and signed by the Overseers alone.

Collectors empowered to levy Rates.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Person or Persons to be appointed by the said Trustees as Collector or Collectors of the said Rates or Assessments, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and empowered to receive, levy, and collect the same, and the several Sums of Money arising from such Rates or Assessments, together with all Arrears due upon former Rates or Assessments directed to be raised by the said recited Act, shall and may be received, levied and collected quarterly or otherwise; and for the better enabling such Collector or Collectors so to levy, receive and collect all such Rates and Assessments or any of them, it shall and may be lawful to and for such Collector or Collectors to execute all such Warrants of Distress as shall be granted from Time to Time by any Justice or Justices of the Peace in the Manner herein directed, against any Person or Persons neglecting or refusing to pay such Rates or Assessments, or any of them, in the same Manner and

as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as Overseers of the Poor by any Law or Laws in Force and Effect can or may execute the same.

How Rates to be levied.

L. And, for the better and more effectually raising and levying the several Rates and Assessments by this Act directed to be made; be it further enacted, That in case any Landlord or Occupier, or any Owner or Owners, Proprietor or Proprietors, Lessee or Lessees of any Land, Ground, Dwelling-house, Shop, Warehouse, Coachhouse, Stable, Cellar, Vault, Building, Tenement or Hereditament, within the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, shall refuse or neglect to pay the Money rated and assessed upon him, her, or them respectively by virtue of this Act, and all Arrears due thereon or upon any former Rate or Rates, it shall be lawful for any One or more of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex*, and he or they is and are hereby authorized and directed by Writing under his or their Hand or Hands, on Complaint by the Overseers and Trustees of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, to summons all and every Person and Persons who shall have refused or neglected as aforesaid (upon Oath being made before such Justice or Justices by the Collector or Collectors appointed by the said Trustees as aforesaid for the Time being, of his or their having attended upon or at the Dwelling-house or last Place of Abode of all and every Person and Persons then intended to be summoned, or who are or shall be liable to the Payment of the said Rate or Rates, and having demanded the Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, and of the Neglect or Refusal of such Person or Persons to pay the said Rate or Rates) to appear before such Justice or Justices at a Time and Place to be mentioned in such Summons; and it shall be lawful for the Collector or Collectors appointed or to be appointed by the said Trustees, or for any of the Constables, Headboroughs, or Beadles of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, to serve all and every such Summons and Summonses upon all and every Person and Persons so neglecting or refusing to pay as aforesaid, either by delivering the same to the Person or Persons thereby intended to be summoned, or leaving the same at his, her, or their last or usual Place or Places of Abode, or at the Premises for which the Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, mentioned in such Summons shall remain due and owing; and if any Person or Persons so summoned shall refuse or neglect to attend at the Time and Place mentioned in such Summons, or if he, she, or they shall attend and shall not shew good and sufficient Cause to such Justice or Justices that he, she or they is or are not chargeable with such Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments; then and in every such Case, every such Person or Persons shall pay the Rate or Rates in respect of which such Summons was issued and the reasonable Costs and Charges of such Summons; and in all Cases where such Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, or any of them, shall not be paid upon the Return of such Summons, it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices who shall have directed such Summons and Summonses to be issued as aforesaid, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and required upon Oath made before him or them, of the due Service of such Summons or Summonses by the Party who shall have served the same, to grant a Warrant or Warrants under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, authorizing or directing the said Collector or Collectors, or any Constable, Headborough or Beadle

of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is extraparochial, to collect or levy ſuch Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, and all Arrears thereof, and the Coſt and Charges of the Summons (if the ſame ſhall not have been paid before), and the Coſts and Charges and Expences of the ſaid Warrant, and of executing the ſame, by Diſtreſs of the Goods and Chattels of the Party ſo neglecting or refuſing, which ſhall be found either within the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial or elſewhere; and if within Five Days next after any ſuch Diſtreſs ſhall be made, the ſaid Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, with all Arrears due thereon ſhall not be paid, together with all the reaſonable Charges of the ſaid Summons and Warrant, and of making ſuch Diſtreſs and keeping ſuch Goods and Chattels, the ſaid Collector or Collectors, Conſtable or Conſtables, Headborough or Headboroughs, Beadle or Beadles, ſhall cauſe the ſaid Goods to be appraiſed by One or more Appraiſer or Appraiſers, and to be ſold, or ſuch Part or Parts thereof as ſhall be ſufficient to pay the ſaid Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, together with all Arrears due thereon, and the reaſonable Coſts, Charges and Expences of appraiſing and ſelling the ſame, returning the Overplus (if any) to the Owner or Owners of ſuch Goods and Chattels reſpectively, upon Demand thereof made by him, her, or them.

LI. And be it further enacted, That every Warrant of Diſtreſs for Non-payment of any Rate or Aſſeſſment to be made by virtue of this Act, ſhall be in the Words or to the Effect following:

Form of Warrant of Diſtreſs.

'Middleſex, to wit.' TO the Overſeers and Collectors of the Poor Rate of the Manor and Liberty of *Norton Folgate* otherwiſe *Norton Folley*, in the County of *Middleſex*, which is Extra-parochial, and to all Conſtables and other Peace Officers of the ſame Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty:'

'WHEREAS the undermentioned Perſons, now or late Inhabitants, Landlords, Tenants, Occupiers or Enjoyers of Lands, Houſes, Shops, Warehouſes, Coachhouſes, Stables, Cellars, Vaults or other Buildings, Tenements or Hereditaments, or Part of ſome Building or Tenement, within the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial were and are rated and aſſeſſed or liable to the Rate or Rates duly made for the Purpoſe of an Act made in the Fiftieth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, intituled, [*ſet forth the Title of this Act*]: And whereas the ſaid Perſons have refuſed or neglected to pay the ſeveral Sums of Money at and againſt their Names hereunder reſpectively ſet down, for Money due from them for or towards the Purpoſes in the ſaid Act mentioned, and the ſaid ſeveral Sum and Sums are ſtill remaining due, in Arrear and unpaid, as appeareth upon Oath to
of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County, and the ſaid ſeveral Perſons having been ſummoned to appear before
to anſwer the Premiſes, as alſo appeareth to
the ſaid Juſtice (*or* Juſtices) upon Oath, and
nor either of them having ſhewn any ſufficient Cauſe why ſuch Sum or Sums of Money ſhould not be paid, theſe are therefore in His Majeſty's Name to will and require you or either of you forthwith to levy the ſaid ſeveral Sums due from the ſaid Perſons and

'hereunder

'hereunder joined to or ſet againſt their Names reſpectively, by Diſtreſs
'and Sale of their reſpective Goods and Chattels (ſuch Goods and Chat-
'tels being kept for the Space of Five Days before the ſame are
'ſold), rendering to them reſpectively the Overplus (if any), the rea-
'ſonable Charges of ſuch Diſtreſs, Sale, and Keeping being firſt
'deducted; and if no ſufficient Diſtreſs can be had or taken, that
'then you certify the ſame to us, to the End ſuch further Proceed-
'ings may be had therein as to the Law doth appertain; And I (*or* we) do
'hereby ſtrictly charge and command all and ſingular the Conſtables and
'others His Majeſty's Peace Officers for the ſaid County, to be aiding and
'aſſiſting in all Things relating to the ſaid Premiſes. Given under my
'Hand and Seal (*or*, or our Hands and Seals) this
'Day of in the Year of our Lord

Sum due

	£.	s.	d.
A. B. - - - - - -			
C. D. - - - - - -			
E. F. the Landlord for divided - -			
G. H. - - - - - -			
£.			

Better Recovery of Rate on ſmall Houſes let at ſmall Rents, or to weekly or monthly Lodgers.

LII. And whereas divers Houſes, Tenements, and Hereditaments within the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, are let at ſmall Rents or to weekly or monthly Tenants, or entirely let out in Lodgings or ſeparate Apartments, or let ready furniſhed, and the Collection of the Poor Rate from ſuch Houſes, Tenements or Hereditaments is attended with much Difficulty and has frequently been evaded, ſo that much Loſs has on that Account been ſuſtained by the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial; for remedy whereof, be it enacted, That where the yearly Rent or Value of any ſuch Houſe, Tenement, or Hereditament ſhall not exceed Twenty Pounds, or where the Houſes, Tenements or Hereditaments ſhall be let to weekly or to monthly Tenants, or at Rents which ſhall become payable and be collected at any ſhorter Periods than Quarterly, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees (if they ſhall think proper) to compound with the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of all and every, or any ſuch Houſe or Houſes, Tenement or Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, for Payment of the Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, to be made by virtue of this Act, at ſuch reduced yearly Rental as the ſaid Truſtees ſhall think reaſonable, ſo that ſuch Houſes, Tenements, or Hereditaments be not rated at leſs than Two-thirds nor more than Four-fifths of the Rack-rent at which the ſame ſhall then be let, or of the annual Value of the ſaid Premiſes reſpectively; and the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners, of ſuch Houſes, Tenements or Hereditaments as ſhall not exceed the yearly Rent of Twenty Pounds, and of ſuch as ſhall be let to weekly or monthly Tenants, or from whence the Rents

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ſhall become due and be collected at any ſhorter Periods than quarterly, is and are hereby enabled to enter into ſuch Compoſition with the ſaid Truſtees; and in caſe ſuch Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners, ſhall refuſe or object to enter into ſuch Compoſition, ſuch Landlordor Landlords, Owner or Owners, ſhall from thenceforth be deemed and taken to be the Occupier or Occupiers of ſuch Premiſes, and ſhall thereupon be rated and aſſeſſed to, and from Time to Time ſhall pay or cauſe to be paid the ſeveral Rates or Aſſeſſments charged upon the reſpective Premiſes by virtue of this Act, unto the Collector or Collectors for the Time being, who is and are hereby authorized and empowered to receive and collect the ſame, and upon Non-payment thereof to levy the ſame by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of the reſpective Premiſes aforeſaid, whereſoever they ſhall be found, or of the Perſon or Perſons inhabiting the ſame reſpectively, in like Manner as any Rate or Aſſeſſment may be raiſed, levied, and collected by virtue of this Act: Provided always, that no ſuch Landlord or Owner ſhall be charged with and liable to pay for any increaſed Rent reſerved or made payable to him for or on Account of ſuch Landlord or Owner having agreed to pay the ſeveral Rates or Aſſeſſments heretofore chargeable upon the Occupier; and where any Houſe, Tenement or Hereditament ſhall be let out in Lodgings or ſeparate Apartments, or ready-furniſhed, the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of ſuch Premiſes, ſhall be deemed and taken to be the Occupiers thereof, and ſhall be rated to and pay the Rates or Aſſeſſments in reſpect of all ſuch Houſes, Tenements and Hereditaments, for the Relief and Maintenance of the Poor of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial.

Rates to be repaid by Landlords to Tenants.

LIII. And be it further enacted, That the Goods and Chattels of each and every Perſon renting and occupying any ſeparate Part or Apartment of or in any Houſe or Building, and the Goods and Chattels in every Houſe and Building let ready furniſhed, (though not aſſeſſed under or by virtue of this Act, or under any Act made for the Relief of the Poor, or for watching, cleanſing and lighting the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial), ſhall after ſuch Summons as hereinbefore directed to be given, be liable to be diſtrained and ſold by virtue of a Warrant under the Hand and Seal of One of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, (which Warrant every ſuch Juſtice of the Peace is hereby directed to iſſue), for Payment of the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments which accrued and became due during the Term of his, her, or their Occupancy only, and all reaſonable Coſts, Charges, and Expences attending thereupon, and that each and every Perſon who ſhall pay any ſuch Rates or Aſſeſſments as ought to have been paid by his, her, or their Landlord or Landlords, or upon whoſe Goods or Chattels the ſame ſhall be levied in purſuance of this Act, ſhall and may deduct the ſame from and out of the Rent due and payable or to become due and payable to his, her, or their Landlord or Landlords ſo letting out the ſame, unleſs there ſhall be ſome Agreement to the contrary between the Landlord and Tenant; and the Receipt and Receipts for ſuch Payment ſhall be a ſufficient Diſcharge to every ſuch Perſon for ſo much Money as he, ſhe or they ſhall have ſo paid, or which ſhall have been ſo levied on his, her or their Goods and Chattels in purſuance of this Act, and ſhall be allowed by ſuch Landlord or Landlords of ſuch Houſes or Buildings in Part or full Payment, as the

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Caſe may be, for the Rent due or to become due to him, her, or them from ſuch Perſon or Perſons as aforeſaid: Provided always, That no ſuch Tenant or Occupier of any Part or ſeparate Apartments of or in any Houſe or Building ſhall by the Payment of ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment in Manner aforeſaid, be deemed to acquire any Settlement in the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial by ſuch Payment, but that the Landlord or Owner ſhall be deemed and conſtrued to all Intents and Purpoſes, to have paid the ſame: Provided always, that no ſuch Tenant or Occupier of any ſeparate Apartment of any ſuch Houſe or Houſes or ready-furniſhed Houſe, or of any Houſe or Houſes paying a leſs Rent than Ten Pounds *per Annum*, ſhall by the Payment of ſuch Rates or Aſſeſſments in Manner aforeſaid, acquire or be deemed to acquire any Settlement in the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial by ſuch Payment, but that the Landlord or Owner ſhall be deemed or conſtrued to all Intents and Purpoſes to have paid the ſame; any Law, Statute, or Uſage to the contrary notwithſtanding.

No Tenant or Occupier ſhall gain a Settlement unleſs rated at 10l. per Annum.

LIV. And be it further enacted, That in default or failure of Payment of the Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, or of the Arrears ſo remaining due or unpaid, or any Part thereof as aforeſaid, the ſame ſhall be and remain a Charge upon the Premiſes in reſpect whereof the ſame ſhall be ſo rated or aſſeſſed, and ſhall and may after Fourteen Days Notice left upon the Premiſes, be ſued for and recovered of and from ſuch Owner or Owners, Leaſeholder or Leaſeholders, or Landlord or Landlords reſpectively, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter*, or in any Court of Requeſts within the Juriſdiction of which any ſuch Landlord, Leaſeholder or Owner ſhall reſide reſpectively, to be commenced and proſecuted in the Name of the Clerk to the ſaid Truſtees for the Time being, in which Action no Protection, Eſſoign, or Wager of Law, nor more than One Imparlance ſhall be allowed; and if the Plaintiff ſhall recover in any ſuch Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, he ſhall have full Coſts, to be levied and recovered as other Monies upon Judgement are now by Law levied and recovered.

Premiſes to remain charged.

LV. And whereas it may happen that many Perſons liable to and who may be rated and aſſeſſed for the Relief of the Poor of the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, and for watching, cleanſing, and lighting of the ſame, may before the Payment of the Sum which may be rated on them reſpectively, quit and leave their Grounds, Dwelling-houſes, Shops, Warehouſes, Coach-houſes, Stables, Cellars, Vaults, Buildings, Tenements or Hereditaments, and remove out of the ſame Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty: Be it therefore further enacted, That when any Perſon or Perſons who hath or have been ſo rated and aſſeſſed, ſhall quit or be about to quit his or their Lands, Grounds, Houſes, Shops, Warehouſes, Coach-houſes, Stables, Cellars, Vaults, Buildings, Tenements, or Hereditaments, before he, ſhe, or they ſhall have paid ſuch Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment, or Aſſeſſments, and ſhall afterwards refuſe to pay the ſame when due and demanded by the Collector or Collectors authorized and appointed to receive the ſame as aforeſaid, then and in every ſuch Caſe it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Collector or Collectors, or any one of them, (Oath being made by him or them that he or they have or hath

Recovery of Rates from Perſons removing.

Cauſe to ſuſpect that ſuch Perſon or Perſons is or are removing, or hath or have removed his or their Goods and Chattels), by Warrant under the Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals of any one or more of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, (which Warrant ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices is or are hereby authorized and required to grant), and in caſe ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall have removed, ſuch Warrant being firſt backed and counterſigned by ſome Magiſtrate of the County, City, Pariſh or Liberty to which ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall have removed, (which Warrant ſuch Magiſtrate is hereby required to back or counterſign), to diſtrain the Goods and Chattels of ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo refuſing or neglecting to pay the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments or any of them, and to ſell the ſame, rendering the Overplus (if any), after having deducted the reaſonable Coſts, Charges, and Expences attending ſuch Diſtreſs and Sale, upon Demand to the Owner or Owners of ſuch Goods and Chattels reſpectively.

Goods may be followed into any other County.

LVI. And, for the more effectually levying the Money rated and aſſeſſed for the ſeveral Purpoſes of this Act; be it further enacted, That the Goods and Chattels of any Perſon or Perſons rated or aſſeſſed as aforeſaid, and neglecting or refuſing to pay the Sum or Sums by him, her, or them reſpectively payable as aforeſaid, ſhall and may be diſtrained in Manner aforeſaid, not only in the Liberty and Place where ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment was made, but at any other Place within the ſaid County; and if ſufficient Diſtreſs cannot be found within the ſaid County, then upon Oath thereof made, before One or more Juſtice or Juſtices of any other County, City, Pariſh, Liberty or Place, (which Oath ſhall be certified under the Hand of the ſaid Juſtice or Juſtices, on the Warrant made out for ſuch Diſtreſs of the Goods and Chattels of the Perſon or Perſons ſo neglecting or refuſing to pay), ſhall be ſubject and liable to ſuch Diſtreſs and Sale in ſuch other County, City, Pariſh, Liberty or Place where the ſame ſhall be found, and may by virtue of ſuch Warrant or Certificate be diſtrained in the ſame Manner as if the ſame had been found within the ſaid Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty, which is Extra-parochial.

For apportioning Rates.

LVII. And be it further enacted, That in caſe any Perſon ſhall remove out of or from, or quit the Poſſeſſion of any Houſe, Building, Tenement, Ground or Hereditament within the ſame Part of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, before any Rate or Aſſeſſment charged thereon by virtue of this Act, or made or to be made, for the lighting, cleanſing, and watching the ſame, or for the Relief of the Poor thereof, ſhall be paid, or if any Perſon ſhall enter into the Occupation of any Houſe, Building, Tenement, Ground or Hereditament out of or from which any other Perſon ſhall have ſo removed before Payment of any ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment, or which at the Time of rating or aſſeſſing the ſame ſhall be empty or unoccupied; then the Perſon ſo removing out of or from, or quitting the Poſſeſſion, and the Perſon entering into the Occupation of any ſuch Houſe, Building, Tenement, Ground or Hereditament, ſhall be reſpectively liable to the Payment of every Rate of Aſſeſſment in Proportion to the Time ſuch Perſon or Perſons poſſeſſed or occupied the ſame reſpectively, in like Manner as if the Perſon or Perſons ſo removing or quitting as aforeſaid had remained in the Poſſeſſion and Occupation of ſuch Houſe, Building, Tenement, Ground or Hereditament,

ment, or the Perſon or Perſons ſo entering into the Occupation thereof had been originally rated or aſſeſſed, which Proportion (in caſe of Diſpute) ſhall be aſcertained by Two of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*.

Rates to be applied for the Purpoſes of this Act.

LVIII. And be it further enacted, That all the Monies to be raiſed by the Rates or Aſſeſſments in Manner as aforeſaid ſhall be iſſued, paid and applied for the reſpective Uſes and Purpoſes in and by this Act directed and preſcribed, in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Truſtees ſhall from Time to Time at any of their monthly or adjourned Meetings order, direct, and appoint; and in caſe the Money aſſeſſed or collected in any one Year by virtue of this Act, ſhall not be ſufficient to anſwer the reſpective Purpoſes for which the ſame was ſo rated or aſſeſſed, ſuch Deficiency ſhall be ſupplied out of the reſpective Rates or Aſſeſſments of the next enſuing Year; and in caſe there ſhall remain at the End of any one Year any Surplus of any or either of the reſpective Rates, ſuch Surplus ſhall from Time to Time, as the ſame ſhall happen to ariſe, be applied in Aid of the ſucceeding Year's Expence, in putting in Execution the Purpoſes of this Act reſpectively.

Power for Truſtees to remit a part of the Rates.

LIX. And whereas it may be reaſonable to excuſe ſome Perſons from the Payment of the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments on Account of their Poverty; be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to grant to ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſuch Relief in the Payment of any Rate or Aſſeſſment as they the ſaid Truſtees ſhall think proper.

Truſtees in caſe of Appeal againſt Rate may correct but not quaſh the Rate.

LX. And be it further enacted, That in caſe of Appeal to the Juſtices of the Peace at the Quarter Seſſions to be holden for the County of *Middleſex*, from the Determination of the ſaid Truſtees, relating to any Rate or Aſſeſſment made or aſſeſſed under or by virtue of the ſaid recited Act or this Act, the ſaid Juſtices upon hearing any ſuch Appeal (where they ſhall ſee juſt Cauſe of Relief) ſhall and are hereby empowered to correct, alter, and amend the ſaid Rates and Aſſeſſments, in ſuch Manner only as ſhall be neceſſary for giving Relief to the Perſon or Perſons ſo appealing, without altering ſuch Rate and Aſſeſſment with reſpect to any other Perſon or Perſons mentioned in the ſame; any Law, Statute, or Uſage to the contrary thereof notwithſtanding.

Power to raiſe Monies by Annuities.

LXI. And, in order more ſpeedily and effectually to accompliſh the ſeveral Ends and Purpoſes of this Act; be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees to raiſe any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five hundred Pounds upon Annuities for Lives, on the Credit of the ſaid Rate or Aſſeſſment for lighting, cleanſing, and watching the ſaid Squares, Streets, Paſſages and other Places as aforeſaid, and alſo any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of One thouſand five hundred Pounds on the Credit of the ſaid Rate or Aſſeſſment for the Relief and Maintenance of ſuch Poor as aforeſaid, and that it ſhall be lawful for any Perſon or Perſons to contribute, advance and pay into the Hands of the ſaid Truſtees, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint for that Purpoſe, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, on the Credit of the ſaid Rate or Aſſeſſment for lighting, cleanſing, and watching of the ſaid Squares, Streets, Paſſages and other Places as aforeſaid,

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and alſo any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five hundred Pounds on the Credit of the ſaid Rate or Aſſeſſment, for the Relief and Maintenance of ſuch Poor as aforeſaid, for the abſolute Purchaſe of one or more Annuity or Annuities, to be paid and payable during the natural Life of every ſuch Contributor, or the natural Life of ſuch Perſon as ſhall be nominated by or on the Behalf of ſuch reſpective Contributor at the Time of Payment of his or her reſpective Contribution Money, which Annuity or Annuities ſhall not exceed the rate of Eight Pounds *per Annum* for every One hundred Pounds advanced on the Life of any Perſon not under the Age of Forty-five Years, nor ſhall the ſame exceed the Rate of Ten Pounds *per Annum* for every One hundred Pounds advanced on the Life of any Perſon not under the Age of Fifty Years, nor ſhall the ſame exceed the Rate of Twelve Pounds *per Annum* for every One hundred Pounds advanced on the Life of any Perſon not under the Age of Sixty Years, and ſo on in Proportion for any greater or leſs Sum to be advanced as aforeſaid; but no Sum of Money ſhall be advanced on the Life of any Perſon under the Age of Forty-five Years; which Annuity and Annuities and every of them ſhall be paid and payable up to the Day of the Deceaſe of ſuch Contributor or Contributors, or to the Day of the Deceaſe of ſuch Perſon or Perſons as ſhall be nominated by and on the Behalf of him or them reſpectively.

Power to raiſe Money for Term of Years.

LXII. And be it further enacted, That in caſe the ſaid Truſtees ſhall think it adviſeable or more advantageous to raiſe all or any Part of the ſaid Sums of Money for the Purpoſes aforeſaid by Annuities to be granted for a certain Term or Number of Years, then it ſhall be lawful for any Perſon or Perſons to contribute, advance and pay into the Hands of the ſaid Truſtees, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint for that Purpoſe, any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the whole (with the ſaid Sum or Sums ſo raiſed as aforeſaid, if any) the Sum of Five hundred Pounds on the Credit of the ſaid Rate or Aſſeſſment, for lighting, cleanſing and watching the ſaid Squares, Streets, Paſſages and other Places as aforeſaid, and alſo any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole (with the ſaid Sum or Sums of Money ſo raiſed as aforeſaid, if any) the Sum of One thouſand five hundred Pounds on the Credit of the ſaid Rate or Aſſeſſment for the Relief and Maintenance of ſuch Poor as aforeſaid, for the abſolute Purchaſe of one or more Annuity or Annuities, to be paid and payable for and during ſuch Term and Terms of Years, and upon ſuch Conditions and at ſuch Rate of Intereſt for the ſame reſpectively as they the ſaid Truſtees ſhall or may think fit and proper, and which ſaid Annuity or Annuities for Lives or Terms of Years ſhall be payable and paid in the Court-houſe of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, or ſuch other Place in the ſaid Manor and Liberty as the ſaid Truſtees ſhall from Time to Time appoint, by Four equal quarterly Payments in the Year, the firſt of which Payments to begin and be made to the reſpective Purchaſers or their Aſſigns at the Expiration of the firſt Three Calendar Months next after Payment of his or her reſpective Purchaſe Money, which Annuities and every of them ſhall be publickly ſold in the Court-houſe of the ſaid Manor and Liberty to the beſt Bidder for the ſame, on Twenty-one days Notice thereof being firſt given in the *London Gazette* or ſome other Public Newſpaper, and a like Notice affixed upon the prin-

cipal Door of the ſaid Court-houſe ſignifying ſuch Intention, and the Money ariſing by the Sale of the ſaid Annuities ſhall be applied for and towards the ſeveral Purpoſes of this Act, and to and for no other Uſe or Purpoſe whatſoever.

Names of Annuitants to be entered into a Book.

LXIII. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Truſtees ſhall and they are hereby required to provide one or more Book or Books, in which ſhall be fairly written in Words at length the Names, proper Additions and Places of Abode of all ſuch Perſons as ſhall be Purchaſers of any of the ſaid reſpective Annuities, and of all Perſons by whoſe Hands the ſaid Purchaſers ſhall pay in any Sum or Sums of Money, and alſo the Sum and Sums ſo paid in for the Purchaſe of ſuch Annuity or Annuities reſpectively, and the Days of Payment thereof reſpectively, and alſo an Account of the Intereſt that ſhall be paid to each Annuitant from Time to Time, and by whom received; which Book or Books ſhall be kept in the Court-houſe of the ſaid Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, or in ſuch Place in the ſame Manor and Liberty as they the ſaid Truſtees ſhall appoint, and it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid reſpective Purchaſers, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns, Agent or Agents, and alſo to and for any Perſon or Perſons paying the Rates or Aſſeſſments to be made by virtue of this Act, from Time to Time and at all ſeaſonable Times, to have Recourſe to and inſpect the ſaid Book or Books without Fee or Reward.

Annuities to be charged on the Rates.

LXIV. And be it further enacted, That the Annuities ſo to be purchaſed ſhall be and the ſame are hereby charged upon the ſaid reſpective Rates on the Credit of which ſuch Annuities reſpectively ſhall be ſo purchaſed, and the Contributor or Contributors duly paying the Conſideration or Purchaſe Money for any ſuch Annuity or Annuities, or ſuch Perſon or Perſons as he, ſhe or they ſhall appoint, and his, her or their reſpective Aſſigns, ſhall have, receive and enjoy, and by virtue of this Act be entitled to have, receive and enjoy the ſaid Annuity or Annuities out of the ſaid reſpective Rates on the Credit of which ſuch Annuities reſpectively ſhall be ſo purchaſed, during the Term of the natural Life of the Perſon to be nominated by each ſuch Purchaſer or Contributor, or for ſuch Term or Number of Years as aforeſaid, as the Caſe may be; and that all and every ſuch Purchaſer and Purchaſers, and his, her, and their Aſſigns reſpectively, ſhall have a good and true Perſonal Eſtate in the Annuities ſo by him, her, or them reſpectively purchaſed, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act.

Annuities may be transferred.

LXV. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the Purchaſer or Purchaſers of any ſuch reſpective Annuity or Annuities, and his, her, and their Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns, at any Time or Times, by Writing under his, her, or their Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, to aſſign ſuch Annuity or Annuities or Intereſt thereon to any Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, and a Memorandum or Entry of all ſuch Aſſignments and the Days the ſame were brought to be entered, ſhall be made in a Book hereby required to be kept for that Purpoſe by the ſaid Truſtees, and the ſaid Entry ſhall be made *gratis*, and ſhall and may at all ſeaſonable Times be inſpected by any Perſon intereſted therein, but no ſuch Aſſignment

shall be deemed good and effectual until such Memorandum or Entry shall be made.

Annuitants to have an Order signed by the Trustees.

LXVI. And be it further enacted, That every Contributor upon this Act for the Purchase of any such Annuity or Annuities as aforesaid, his, her, or their Assigns, upon Payment of the Contribution or Purchase Money for the same into the Hands of the said Trustees or such Person or Persons as they shall for that Purpose appoint, shall have a Receipt or Receipts for the same, and an Order on Parchment or Vellum for the Payment of the said Annuity for and during the natural Life or Lives (or for Term of Years, as the Case may be) of such Person or Persons as shall be nominated therein, every such Order to be signed by the said Trustees or any Five or more of them, which being so signed shall by the Authority of this Act be firm, good, valid and effectual in the Law, according to the Purport and true Meaning hereof; and upon every Default of Payment of the said Annuity by the Space of Thirty Days next after the Time or Times when the same shall become payable, the Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments to be made by Authority of this Act, shall vest in the Annuitants until the same Annuities, together with legal Interest and all Costs and Charges occasioned by the Non-payment thereof, shall be fully paid and satisfied.

Inhabitants deemed competent Witnesses.

LXVII. And be it further enacted, That no Inhabitant of the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra-parochial, shall, before any Justice or Justices of the Peace, or upon any Trial, Hearing, Examination or otherwise, in, about, touching or concerning any Matter or Thing touching or concerning the said Part of the said Manor and Liberty which is Extra parochial, be and be deemed an incompetent Witness by Reason of his or her paying the Rates by this Act directed to be paid; any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Fines and Penalties how to be levied and recovered.

LXVIII. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties, Forfeitures, and Fines by this Act inflicted or authorized to be imposed (the Manner of levying and recovering whereof is not herein otherwise particularly directed), shall, upon Proof of the Offences respectively before any One or more Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex*, either by the Confession of the Party or Parties offending, or by Information of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses upon Oath, (which Oath such Justice or Justices of the Peace is and are hereby empowered and required to administer without Fee or Reward, and the Informer is hereby rendered a credible Witness), be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Party or Parties offending, by Warrant or Warrants under the Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals of such Justice or Justices, which Warrant such Justice or Justices is and are hereby empowered and required to grant, and the Penalties and Forfeitures when recovered, after rendering the Overplus (if any) upon Demand to the Party or Parties whose Goods and Chattels shall be so distrained and sold, (the Costs, Charges, and Expences of making such Distress, and the keeping and selling thereof being first deducted), shall be paid to the Treasurer for the Time being to the said Trustees, and applied towards the Purposes of this Act; but nevertheless it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees at any Meeting

ing to be held in purſuance of this Act, to order their Treaſurer for the Time being to pay ſuch Part of the ſaid Penalties to the ſaid Informer as they ſhall judge reaſonable, not exceeding one Moiety thereof; and in every ſuch Caſe where Diſtreſs is directed to be taken by this Act, and ſufficient Diſtreſs ſhall not be found, and ſuch Penalties, Forfeitures, and Fines ſhall not be forthwith paid, it ſhall and may be lawful for ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and required, by Warrant or Warrants under his or their Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, to cauſe ſuch Offender or Offenders to be committed to the Common Gaol or Houſe of Correction of the ſaid County of *Middleſex* where ſuch Offender or Offenders ſhall be convicted, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for any Time not exceeding One Calendar Month for the Firſt Offence, and for the Second and every other Offence of the ſame kind, for any Time not exceeding Three Calendar Months nor leſs than Two Calendar Months, unleſs ſuch Penalties, Forfeitures, or Fines, and all reaſonable Charges and Expences atending the ſame, ſhall be ſooner paid and ſatisfied.

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

Form of Conviction.

Middleſex (to wit.) } BE it remembered, That on the Day of in the Year of the Reign of His Majeſty King *A. B.* is convicted before of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the of by virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the Fiftieth Year of the Reign of His Majeſty King *George* the Third, intituled, [*here ſet forth the Title of this Act, and ſpecify the Offence and the Time and Place when and where the ſame was committed.*]

'Given under our Hands and Seals [*or*, my Hand and Seal] the 'Day and Year aforeſaid.'

Diſtreſs not be deemed unlawful for Want of Form;

nor Party to be deemed a Treſpaſſer ab initio, for ſubſequent Irregularity.

Plaintiff not to recover if Tender of Amends hath been made.

LXX. And be it further enacted, That where any ſuch Diſtreſs ſhall be made for any Sum or Sums of Money to be levied by virtue of this Act, the Diſtreſs itſelf ſhall not be deemed unlawful, nor the Party or Parties making the ſame be deemed a Treſpaſſer or Treſpaſſers, on Account of any Default or Want of Form in any Proceedings relating thereto; nor ſhall the Party or Parties be deemed a Treſpaſſer or Treſpaſſers *ab initio* on Account of any Irregularity which ſhall be afterwards done by the Party or Parties diſtraining; but the Perſon or Perſons aggrieved by ſuch Irregularity may recover full Satisfaction for the Special Damage in lieu of any Action on the Caſe: Provided always, That no Plaintiff or Plaintiffs ſhall recover in any Action, or for any ſuch Irregularity, Treſpaſs or other Proceedings, if Tender of ſufficient Amends ſhall be made by or on the Behalf of the Party or Parties who ſhall have committed or cauſed to be committed every or any ſuch Irregularity, Treſpaſs, or wrongful Proceeding, before ſuch Action brought; and in caſe no ſuch Tender ſhall have been made, it ſhall and may be lawful for the Defendant or Defendants in

in any such Action, by Leave of the Court where such Action shall depend, at any Time before Issue joined, to pay into the Court such Sum of Money as he or they shall see fit; whereupon such Proceedings or Order and Judgement shall be had, made, or given in and by such Court, as in other Actions where the Defendant is allowed to pay Money into Court.

Persons aggrieved may appeal to the Quarter Sessions.

LXXI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, or by any Rule, Bye Law or Order made in pursuance of this Act, or any other Matter or Thing done or directed to be done in pursuance of this Act, such Person or Persons shall apply for Relief to the Trustees for putting this Act into Execution at any Meeting to be held within One Calendar Month next after Demand made of such Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, or next after any such Matter or Thing done and committed, by or by Order of the said Trustees, by which such Person or Persons shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved; and the said Trustees are hereby authorized and empowered (if they shall think such Person or Persons aggrieved) to give such Relief in the Premises as to them shall seem necessary; and if such Person or Persons shall not be satisfied with the Determination of such Trustees, then he, she, or they may appeal to the Quarter or General Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the said County of *Middlesex*, as the Case shall be, within Three Calendar Months next after such Determination of the said Trustees, such Appellant first giving or causing to be given Twenty-one Days Notice at the least in Writing, of his, her, or their Intention to bring such Appeal and of the Matter thereof, to the Clerk to such Trustees, or leaving such Notice for him at his last or usual Place of Abode, and within Two Days next after such Notice entering into a Recognizance before such Justice of the Peace for such County, with Two sufficient Sureties conditioned to try such Appeal, and to abide the Order and to pay such Costs as shall be awarded by the Justices at such Quarter or General Sessions; and the said Justices at such Quarter or General Sessions, upon due Proof of such Notice being given as aforesaid, and of the entering into such Recognizance, shall hear and determine the Causes and Matters of such Appeal in a summary Way, and award such Costs to the Parties appealing or appealed against as they the said Justices shall think proper, and the said Justices may then and there if they see Cause mitigate any Forfeiture or Fine, and may order any Money to be returned which shall have been levied in pursuance of any such Rule, Bye Law or Order, and award such further Satisfaction to be made to the Party injured as they shall think proper; and the Determination of such Justices at their Quarter or General Sessions shall be final, binding, and conclusive.

Notice of Appeal to be given.

Proceedings not to be quashed for want of Form; nor removable by Certiorari.

LXXII. And be it further enacted, That no Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, nor any Proceeding to be had touching the Conviction of any Offender or Offenders against this Act, or any Order made, or any other Matter or Thing to be done or transacted in or relating to the Execution of this Act, shall be vacated or quashed for Want of Form, or be removed by *Certiorari* or by any other Writ or Process whatsoever into any of

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His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*; any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Limitation of Actions.

LXXIII. And be it further enacted, That no Action or Suit shall be commenced against any Person or Persons for any Thing done in pursuance of this Act, until Twenty-one Days Notice shall be given thereof in Writing to the Clerk to the said Trustees, or after sufficient Satisfaction or Tender thereof hath been made to the Party or Parties aggrieved, or after Six Calendar Months next after the Fact committed, for which such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits shall be so brought; and all such Actions or Suits shall be laid and tried in the County of *Middlesex* respectively, and not in any other County, City, or Place; and that the Defendant or Defendants in such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, and every of them, may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the special Matter in Evidence at any Trial or Trials which shall be had thereupon; and that the Matter or Thing for or on which such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits shall be brought, was done in pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if the said Matter or Thing shall appear to have been so done, or if it shall appear that such Action or Suit was brought before Twenty-one Days Notice thereof given as aforesaid, or that sufficient Satisfaction was made or tendered as aforesaid, or if any such Action or Suit shall not be commenced within the Time before for that Purpose limited, or shall be laid in any other County or Place than as aforesaid, then the Jury or Juries shall find for the Defendant or Defendants therein; and if a Verdict shall be found for such Defendant or Defendants; or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, in such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall become Nonsuit or suffer a Discontinuance of such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, or if upon a Demurrer or Demurrers in such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, Judgement shall be given for the Defendant or Defendants therein, then and in either of the Cases aforesaid such Defendant or Defendants shall have Treble Costs, and shall have such Remedy for recovering the same as any Defendant or Defendants may have for his, her, or their Costs in other Cases by Law.

General Issue.

Treble Costs.

Expences of Act how paid.

LXXIV. And be it further enacted, That all Costs, Charges and Expences of passing this Act, and all other Charges incident to or attending the obtaining thereof, shall be borne, paid and defrayed out of the first Monies to be levied, collected and received by virtue of this Act, or out of any Monies at the Time of passing this Act in the Hands of any Treasurer, Collectors or other Persons, raised, collected, or received by virtue of the said recited Act.

This Act not to prejudice the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's.

LXXV. Provided always, and it is hereby also enacted, That this Act or any Thing herein contained shall not extend or be construed to extend to defeat, take away, lessen or prejudice any Right, Property or Jurisdiction of the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *Saint Paul* in *London*, Lords of the said Manor of *Norton Folgate* otherwise *Norton Folley*, or their Successors, within the said Manor and Liberty of *Norton Folgate* otherwise *Norton Folley*.

Publick Act. LXXVI. 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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