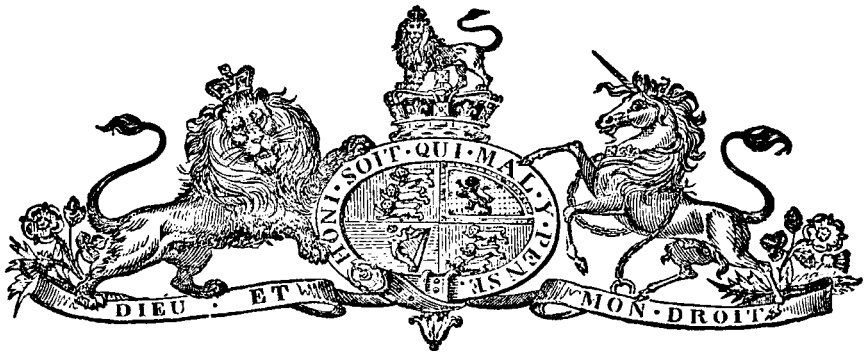


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CAP. LXXXVII.

An Act to enable Her Majesty's Postmaster General to acquire a Site for the Extension of the General Post Office in *St. Martin's-le-Grand* in the City of *London*. [5th *July* 1865.]

WHEREAS the General Post Office situate in the Street called *St. Martin's-le-Grand* in the City of *London* affords inadequate Accommodation for the Purposes of the Public Service, and it is expedient that additional Buildings should be erected for such Purposes on Land situate in the City of *London*, to be acquired and appropriated by Her Majesty's Postmaster General as herein-after mentioned: And whereas Maps or Plans describing the Lands to be acquired by Her Majesty's Postmaster General under the Authority of this Act, with a Book of Reference to the same Plans containing the Names of the Owners or reputed Owners, Lessees or reputed Lessees, and Occupiers of the same Lands, have been deposited at the Office of the Clerk of the Peace for the City of *London*, and the same are herein-after referred to as the deposited Plans and Book of Reference: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the

Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as "The Post Office Extension Act, 1865."

Power to purchase Land.

2. It shall be lawful for Her Majesty's Postmaster General and he is hereby authorized, out of any Monies which have been or which may from Time to Time be appropriated by Parliament and put at his Disposal for that Purpose, to purchase for the Purposes of this Act the whole or such Parts as he shall think fit of the Lands in the Parishes of *Christchurch*, *Saint Ann and Agnes*, *Saint John Zachary*, *Saint Vedast Foster*, *Saint Michael-le-Querne*, and *Saint Leonard*, *Foster Lane*, in the City of *London*, shown on the deposited Plans, and specified in the deposited Book of Reference, except the Streets therein described as *Saint Martin's-le-Grand*, *Newgate Street*, *Bath Street*, and *Angel Street*, and except that Portion lately thrown into *Newgate Street* and now forming Part of the same, and all Lands so purchased shall be vested in and held by Her Majesty's Postmaster General (in his corporate Capacity) and his Successors in trust for Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors.

Power to stop up Streets within Boundary of Land purchased.

3. From and after the Time of the Purchase of such Lands it shall be lawful for Her Majesty's Postmaster General to stop up and appropriate for the Purposes of this Act all Ways, Paths, Streets, Passages, and public Places situate within the outward Boundaries of the Lands herein-before authorized to be purchased by him as aforesaid; and the Ground and Soil of all such Ways, Paths, Streets, Passages, and public Places, and the Fee Simple and Inheritance thereof, shall be vested in Her Majesty's Postmaster General (in his corporate Capacity) and his Successors in trust for Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors: Provided always, that no Part of *Bath Street*, *Newgate Street*, *St. Martin's-le-Grand*, or *Angel Street* as they now exist shall be stopped up.

Power to pull down Buildings on Land purchased, and build others.

4. It shall be lawful for Her Majesty's Postmaster General to pull down and remove all Buildings now being on the Lands to be purchased by him under the Authority of this Act, and to appropriate all Lands which are or shall be vested in him by or under the Authority of this Act as a Site for the Erection of Buildings for the Public Service, and for the Formation of convenient Approaches to such Buildings, and thereon to construct such Buildings and Works, and do all such other things, as in his Opinion shall be necessary or expedient in order to carry into effect the Purposes of this Act, or any of them.

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Power to raise and lower Streets.

5. Her Majesty's Postmaster General is hereby empowered, with the Consent of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London*, but not otherwise, to raise or lower the Ground of any Streets or Ways which shall communicate with the Buildings so to be erected as aforesaid, or any Part thereof respectively, making such Compensation to the Owners of Houses or other Property injured by such Alterations as shall be agreed on between the Parties, or failing Agreement as shall be determined in the Manner provided by "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845."

Lands may be taken notwithstanding Errors in Book of Reference.

6. It shall be lawful for Her Majesty's Postmaster General to purchase, take, and use for the Purposes of this Act any Lands, except as aforesaid, purporting to be delineated on the said deposited Plans as intended to be taken for the Purposes of this Act, although such Lands, or the Name or Names of the Owner, Lessee, or Occupier thereof, may happen to be erroneously stated in or may be omitted from the said deposited Book of Reference, in case it shall appear to any Two or more of the Aldermen of the City of *London*, and be certified under their Hands, that such Error or Omission proceeded from Mistake or erroneous Information.

Power to Postmaster General to enter Lands for the Purpose of surveying.

7. It shall be lawful for Her Majesty's Postmaster General, and for his Surveyors, Officers, and Workmen, at all reasonable Times in the Daytime, upon giving for the first Time Twenty-four Hours and afterwards from Time to Time Twelve Hours previous Notice, to enter into and upon all or any of the Lands authorized to be taken and used as aforesaid for the Purpose of surveying or valuing the same.

For the Protection of Sewers in the City of London.

8. When any of the Works to be executed by virtue of this Act shall pass over, under, or pass by the Side of, so as to damage or interfere with, any Sewer, Drain, Watercourse, Defence, or Work under the Jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London*, or with any Sewers or Works to be made or executed by the said Commissioners, such Works so to be executed by the Postmaster General in pursuance of this Act shall be so carried out under the following Conditions:

(1.) Before commencing such Work Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall give the Engineer or Surveyor of the said Commissioners Twenty-eight Days Notice in Writing of his Intention to commence such Works; and with such Notice shall be left a Plan and Section showing the Course and Inclination of such proposed Works:

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(2.) In case the Commissioners of Sewers shall require any Alteration to be made therein they shall give, before the Expiration of the said Twenty-eight Days, Twenty-eight Days written Notice of such Requirement to Her Majesty's Postmaster General; and the Postmaster General shall, subject to the Provisions herein-after stated with respect to Arbitration, comply therewith:

(3.) The Alterations so required by the said Commissioners shall be executed by or under the Superintendence and Control of the Engineer or Surveyor or other Officer of the said Commissioners:

(4.) All reasonable Costs, Charges, and Expenses which the said Commissioners may be put to or incur in the Execution of such Alterations shall be paid to the said Commissioners by Her Majesty's Postmaster General for the Time being:

(5.) In case of Disputes between Her Majesty's Postmaster General and the said Commissioners of Sewers either as to the Alterations required by such Commissioners, or as to the Costs, Charges, and Expenses of such Alterations, or any other Matter or Thing relating thereto, the same shall be settled by an Arbitrator to be agreed upon by Her Majesty's Postmaster General and the said Commissioners of Sewers, or failing such Agreement by an Arbitrator to be appointed by the Board of Trade:

(6.) Any Works, whether altered or substituted, or any Defence connected with such Works, whether altered or substituted, shall be as fully and completely under the Jurisdiction and Control of the said Commissioners as any Sewers or Works now are.

New Buildings not to be erected beyond a certain Line in Newgate Street.

9. Any Land abutting on *Newgate Street* which Her Majesty's Postmaster General may acquire under this Act shall not be built on beyond the Line laid down by the Commissioners of Sewers in the Improvements they have recently made in that Street, but the Postmaster General shall be compensated for any Land he may have purchased or taken under the Provisions of this Act between the present Line of the Buildings numbered 19 to 23 on the deposited Plan and the Line so laid down by such Commissioners; the Amount of such Compensation to be agreed upon between the Parties, or failing Agreement to be determined in the Manner provided by the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845; provided that such Compensation shall be estimated on the Land alone, apart from any Buildings which may be or may have been thereon.

Bath Street to be continued to

10. If the Postmaster General shall at any time purchase or require under the Provisions of this Act the Lands or Buildings numbered

numbered 14 and 16 on the deposited Plan he shall, at the Expense of the Post Office, continue *Bath Street* until it forms a Junction with *Angel Street*, and such Continuation shall not be less than Twenty Feet in Width.

Angel Street under a certain Contingency.

11. Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall not break up or disturb any Street or Place, or the Pavement thereof, under the Control or Direction of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London*, unless at least Twenty-eight Days previous Notice in Writing of his Intention so to do, specifying the Street, Place, or Pavement intended to be broken up or disturbed, be given to the Engineer or Surveyor of such Commissioners, or left for him at his Office or at the Office of such Commissioners, and Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall attend to the Directions of such Engineer or Surveyor with a view to secure a free Passage of Traffic in such Streets and Places, and to prevent needless Injury to the Street, and shall not open more of such Streets or Places at one Time than such Engineer or Surveyor shall in Writing authorize; and when Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall break up or disturb any such Street, Place, or Pavement, he shall so soon as the Works affecting it are completed, and at the furthest within Three Months, or such extended Period as may be agreed upon between Her Majesty's Postmaster General and such Commissioners, from the Day on which those Works were begun, restore the Street, Place, or Pavement to as good a Condition as it was in when it was broken up or disturbed under the Superintendence and to the reasonable Satisfaction of the Engineer or Surveyor of the Commissioners, and Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall save harmless and keep indemnified the said Commissioners and their Successors against any Expenses consequent on any such Works: Provided always, that in the event of Difference arising between Her Majesty's Postmaster General and the Commissioners as to any Matter or Thing in this Clause contained, the same shall be determined by an Arbitrator to be mutually agreed upon, or failing such Agreement by an Arbitrator to be named by the Board of Trade.

For the Protection of the Streets of the City of London.

12. All Lands purchased by Her Majesty's Postmaster General in pursuance of this Act which were at the Time of such Purchase subject to Land Tax, to Poor or other Rates, shall continue liable thereto, but they shall not be assessed to any Tax or Rate at a higher rateable Value than that at which they were assessed at the Time of the passing of this Act.

Lands purchased to continue subject to Land Tax and Rates.

13. Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall pay an annual Sum to each of the herein-after mentioned Persons; that is to say, the Rectors

Postmaster General to pay to

Incumbents herein named Compensation for Loss of Easter Offerings, &c.

Rectors or Incumbents of the Parishes of *Christchurch*, *Saint Ann and Agnes*, *Saint John Zachary*, *Saint Vedast Foster*, *Saint Michael-le-Querne*, and *Saint Leonard*, *Foster Lane*, by way of Compensation for the Loss of all such *Easter* Dues, Oblations, Surplice Fees, or other customary Payments that may be taken away in consequence of carrying into effect the Purposes of this Act; such Payments shall be made half-yearly on the First Day of *January* and the First Day of *July* in each Year; the Amount so payable to each Person shall be calculated on an Average of the Amount received by him in respect of the said customary Payments on an Average of the Three Years immediately preceding the passing of this Act; and in the event of Difference as to any such Payment or any fractional Part thereof, the same shall be definitely settled by an Arbitrator to be appointed by Her Majesty's Attorney General for the Time being: Provided that nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice the Right of any Rector, Impropriator, or other Person to any Tithe or Rentcharge in lieu thereof, or other Compensation in respect thereof, charged upon or payable out of any Lands purchased in pursuance of this Act, or for the Purposes thereof.

8 & 9 Vict. c. 18. and 23 & 24 Vict. c. 106. incorporated.

14. "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," and the Act amending the same, passed in the Session of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, Chapter One hundred and six, shall be incorporated with this Act, with the Exceptions and Additions, and subject to the Provisions, herein-after contained; (that is to say,)

(1.) There shall not be incorporated with this Act the Sections and Provisions of "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," herein-after mentioned; that is to say, Section Sixteen, whereby it is provided that the Capital is to be subscribed before the compulsory Powers are put in force; Section Seventeen, whereby it is provided that the Certificate of the Justices shall be Evidence that the Capital has been subscribed; or the Provisions relating to affording Access to the Special Act:

(2.) In the Construction of this Act and the said incorporated Acts this Act shall be deemed to be "the Special Act," and Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall be deemed to be the Promoter of the Undertaking:

(3.) The Bond required by Section Eighty-five of "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," shall be under the Common Seal of Her Majesty's Postmaster General, and shall be sufficient without the Addition of the Sureties in the said Section mentioned.

15. In

Questions of disputed Compensation to be heard in Lord Mayor's Court.

15. In every Case in which any Question of disputed Compensation may be required to be determined by the Verdict of a Jury in the City of *London* or the Liberties thereof, the Jury shall be required to appear before the Court of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London* to be holden in the Outer Chamber of the Guildhall of the said City according to the Custom of the said City at a Time to be appointed by the said Court; and all the Directions and Provisions contained in "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," in respect to the Settlement of Questions of disputed Compensation by Juries appearing before the Sheriff, Coroner, or other Person, shall extend and be applied with respect to the Settlement of any such Question of disputed Compensation under this Act by Juries appearing before the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen as aforesaid; and the said Court shall give Judgment for the Purchase Money or Compensation assessed by such Jury, and a Verdict and Judgment shall be signed by the Registrar of the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, and entered among the Records of the said Court, and the said Registrar shall settle the Costs of every such Inquiry.

Extinction of Rights of Way and other Easements.

16. Subject to the Provisions of this Act, upon the Purchase by Her Majesty's Postmaster General of the Lands hereinbefore authorized to be purchased by him, or any Part thereof, all Rights of Way, Rights of laying down or continuing any Pipes, Sewers, or Drains on, through, or under such Lands or Part thereof, and all other Rights or Easements in or relating to such Lands or Part thereof, shall be extinguished, and all the Soil of such Ways, and the Property in the Pipes, Sewers, or Drains, shall vest in Her Majesty's Postmaster General, subject to this Provision, that all Persons and Bodies of Persons, corporate or unincorporate, may recover from Her Majesty's Postmaster General such Compensation, if any, as they may be entitled to under the Provisions of "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," for any Rights or Property of which they may be deprived in pursuance of this Section, the Amount of such Compensation to be determined in manner provided by the said Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845.

As to Claims for Compensation by Tenants from Year to Year.

17. All Claims for Compensation made upon Her Majesty's Postmaster General under the Provisions of this Act, or any Act incorporated herewith, shall, if the Person claiming to be entitled to Compensation has no greater Interest than as Tenant for a Year or from Year to Year in the Lands in respect of which the Compensation is claimed, be determined in manner provided by the 121st Section of "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845."

18. The

Time for compulsory Purchases limited.

18. The Limit of Time for the compulsory Purchase of Lands under this Act shall be Three Years.

Arrangements with Pneumatic Despatch Company.

19. If Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall purchase the Lands and Houses at the Corner of *Newgate Street* and *Saint Martin's-le-Grand*, then and in such Case he shall forthwith grant to the Pneumatic Despatch Company (Limited), for the Purposes of laying and maintaining their Tubes and Apparatus, and of receiving Traffic from the Public, in accordance with the Provisions of the Pneumatic Despatch Act, 1864, the Use during the Continuance and Working of such Company of such an Area of the Basement of those Houses as may be required by the said Company, not exceeding Eighty Feet in Length from East to West, and Thirty-five Feet in Breadth from North to South, and of a Height sufficient for the convenient Use during such Continuance aforesaid of the said Tubes, Apparatus, and their other Purposes aforesaid, with a proper and convenient Access thereto from the Street, and also the Use during such Continuance of an Office on the Ground Floor of One of such Houses, or the Buildings to be erected in lieu thereof, of Twenty Feet by Thirty Feet in Area abutting on the Street, and of a convenient and suitable Height for the Purposes aforesaid, and the Company shall pay for such Use such an annual Rent as may be settled in case of Difference by an Arbitrator to be agreed on between the Parties, or in default of Agreement to be appointed by the Board of Trade; and from and after such Purchase and Grant as aforesaid the Powers given to the Pneumatic Despatch Company for the Purchase of the Lands and Houses in the Parish of *Christchurch* at the Corner of *Newgate Street* and *Saint Martin's-le-Grand* by the Pneumatic Despatch Company's (Limited) Act, 1864, shall cease and determine: Provided always, that in case Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall not within Three Months after the passing of this Act exercise the Power of purchasing the said Lands and Houses at the Corner of *Newgate Street* and *Saint Martin's-le-Grand* aforesaid, nothing in this Act contained shall take away, lessen, or impair the Powers vested in the said Pneumatic Despatch Company by their said Act of 1864 to enter upon, purchase, and hold any of the Lands and Houses in the Parish of *Christchurch* contained in the deposited Plans and Book of Reference of their said Act of 1864.

Disputes between Postmaster General and Pneumatic Despatch Company to

20. If any Disputes arise between the Postmaster General and the Pneumatic Despatch Company with reference to anything contained in this Act, or to any Rights acquired or to be acquired under it by the Parties respectively, the same, in case of Difference, shall be determined by an Arbitrator to be agreed upon between the

the Parties, or failing Agreement to be appointed by the Board of Trade. be settled by Arbitration.

21. And whereas the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London* have vested in them the legal Estate of certain Lands which were purchased by them for the Purpose of forming a Site for the said General Post Office in *Saint Martin's-le-Grand*, and for other Purposes connected therewith: And whereas the Purchase Money for the said Lands was in part supplied by the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, and in part by the Postmaster General, who on behalf of Her Majesty has an equitable Interest in such Lands: And whereas it is desirable that the Interest of the Postmaster General in such Lands should be realized: Be it therefore enacted, That Her Majesty's Postmaster General may, with the Consent and Approbation of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Two of them, (such Consent or Approbation to be certified by One of the Secretaries or Assistant Secretaries of the Treasury by Writing under his Hand,) at a Price to be agreed on between the said Postmaster General and the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, sell, convey, and release to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens all Right, Title, and Interest of Her Majesty and the Postmaster General in the said Lands, and upon Payment of the Amount agreed upon such Lands shall be absolutely vested in and belong to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens to and for their own Use and Benefit. Power for Postmaster General to sell the equitable Interest in certain Lands.

22. Nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice, diminish, alter, or take away any of the Rights, Powers, or Authorities vested in the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of *London*. Saving Rights of Commissioners of Sewers.

23. If in the Removal and pulling down of any Buildings, or in raising or lowering the Ground of any Street or Way, it shall be necessary to raise, sink, or otherwise alter the Position relatively to the Surface of the Ground of any Main or Service Pipe or other Apparatus laid down or used by the City of *London* Gaslight and Coke Company, or connected with any House or Building for the Supply of Gas, One Month's Notice shall be given to the said Company previously to the Commencement of any such Work, which shall be executed to the reasonable Satisfaction of the Engineer of the said Company, or, in case of Difference, of an Engineer to be selected by the Board of Trade, and every such Work shall be so executed as to cause as little Inconvenience as Circumstances will admit to the said Company; and Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall make Compensation to the said Company for all Loss or Damage, if any, which may be occasioned by the Execution of the Works by this Act authorized, or any or either of them. For Protection of the City of London Gaslight and Coke Company.

24. If

For Protection of New River Company.

24. If in the Removal or pulling down or Erection of any Buildings, or in raising or lowering or otherwise disturbing the Ground of any Street or Way, it shall be necessary to raise, sink, or otherwise alter the Position relatively to the Surface of the Ground of any Main or Service Pipe or other Apparatus laid down or used by the *New River* Company, or connected with any House or Building for the Supply of Water, One Month's Notice shall be given to the said Company previously to the Commencement of any such Work, which shall be executed to the reasonable Satisfaction of the Engineer of the said Company, or, in case of Difference, of an Engineer to be selected by the Board of Trade, and every such Work shall be so executed as to cause as little Inconvenience as Circumstances will admit to the said Company; and Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall make Compensation to the said Company for all Loss or Damage, if any, which may be occasioned by the Execution of the Works by this Act authorized, or any or either of them.

Exemption from Buildings Act.

25. All Buildings to be erected in pursuance of this Act shall be exempt from the Operation of the First Part of "The Metropolitan Buildings Act, 1855."

No Purchases to be made without Authority of Treasury.

26. No Purchase shall be made by Her Majesty's Postmaster General for the Purposes of this Act without the Assent in Writing of the Lord High Treasurer or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer, but it shall not be necessary for any Vendor or any Purchaser from Her Majesty's Postmaster General to ascertain that such Assent has been given, nor shall Her Majesty's Postmaster General be bound to produce to any such Vendor or Purchaser any Evidence of such Assent: Provided, nevertheless, that such Assent may be given either generally or for any particular Purchase or Purchases, as to the said Lord High Treasurer or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer as aforesaid shall seem meet.

Authentication of Notices.

27. Every Notice, Summons, Writ, or other Document required to be given, issued, or signed by or on behalf of Her Majesty's Postmaster General may be given, issued, or signed by the Solicitor or Secretary of the General Post Office for the Time being, and need not be under the Common Seal of Her Majesty's Postmaster General, and may be in Writing or in Print, or partly in Writing and partly in Print.

Orders concerning Money

28. All Orders which, under this Act and the Acts incorporated herewith, the Court of Chancery is empowered to make on Motion or

or Petition in relation to any Money paid into the Bank of *England* with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery under this Act, or the Securities in or upon which the same may be invested, or the Dividends or Interest on such Money and Securities, may be made by any Judge of the said Court, upon Application to him while sitting at Chambers, upon Summons, in like Manner as in other Cases in which Proceedings may be so had; subject, nevertheless, to any General Orders which may hereafter be made concerning the Practice, Proceedings, or Business of the said Court on any such Application.

paid into Court may be made at Chambers.

29. Nothing in this Act, or in any Deed or Instrument entered into or made by Her Majesty's Postmaster General for the Purposes of this Act, shall extend to charge the Person of Her Majesty's Postmaster General executing any such Deed or Instrument, or the Heirs, Executors, or Administrators of Her Majesty's Postmaster General, or any of them, or either or any of their own proper Lands, Tenements, Goods, or Chattels, with or for the Performance of all or any of the Covenants, Conditions, or Agreements in the said Deed or Instrument contained on the Part of Her Majesty's Postmaster General; but the Amount of all Costs, Charges, Damages, or Expenses which shall or may be recovered in any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity against Her Majesty's Postmaster General, or against his Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, for or by reason or means of such last-mentioned Deed or Instrument, or the Covenants, Conditions, or Agreements therein contained, and also all the Costs, Charges, Damages, and Expenses which Her Majesty's Postmaster General shall bear, pay, expend, be put to, or which shall be occasioned to him for or by reason or means of any such Deed or Instrument, or any Covenant, Condition, or Agreement therein contained, or any Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, to be brought or prosecuted by or against him thereupon, shall respectively be paid and discharged by and out of the Monies applicable to the Purposes of this Act.

Postmaster General not to be personally liable.

30. All Monies which shall become payable to the Postmaster General under the Provisions of this Act shall be paid to the Receiver and Accountant General for the Time being of Her Majesty's Post Office, to be by him placed to the Account of Her Majesty's Postmaster General at the Bank of *England;* and the unstamped Receipt of the Receiver and Accountant General of the Post Office for such Monies shall effectually discharge the Person or Persons by whom or on whose Account the same shall be paid, and no such Person shall be bound to see to the Application or be answerable for the Nonapplication or Misapplication thereof.

Monies payable to Postmaster General to be paid to his Account into Bank of England.

31. No

Deeds not liable to Stamp Duty.

31. No Deed, Bond, or other Instrument which shall be made or executed by, to, or with Her Majesty's Postmaster General or otherwise for any of the Purposes of this Act shall be subject or liable to any Stamp Duty imposed by any Act now in force, nor to any Stamp Duty to be imposed by any future Act, unless such Instruments be specially subjected and specifically charged therewith by any future Act.

Plans to be deposited, and may be inspected.

32. A Copy of the Plans of the prescribed Lands shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Peace for the City of *London*, and shall remain at the said Office to the end that all Persons may at all reasonable Times inspect the same at their Pleasure, paying One Shilling at each Inspection.

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