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or Assigns, should not pay the Stamp Duty of Fifty Pounds, and produce the said Letters Patent stamped with a proper Stamp to that Amount at the Office of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions, before the Expiration of Three Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent: And whereas such a Specification was duly filed but the said Stamp Duty of Fifty Pounds was not paid within the Period limited, and the Commissioners of Inland Revenue now decline to receive the Duty upon the said Letters Patent: And whereas the Omission to stamp the said Letters Patent arose solely from Inadvertence, and it is expedient that the said Letters Patent should be rendered valid in the Manner and upon the Conditions herein-after enacted, but the same cannot be done without the Authority of Parliament: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

Power to stamp Letters Patent.

1. Within One Month after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for the said *Thomas Webster Rammell*, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, to pay the said Stamp Duty of Fifty Pounds, and for the Letters Patent herein-before mentioned or a Duplicate thereof to be stamped with proper Stamps showing the Payment of the said Stamp Duty, and to be produced at the Office of the said Commissioners of Patents, and for the said Commissioners of Patents or their Clerk to endorse on the said Letters Patent or Duplicate thereof a Certificate of the Production of the same duly stamped, and to endorse a like Certificate upon the Warrant for such Letters Patent filed in the said Office.

Letters Patent confirmed.

2. The said Letters Patent so stamped as aforesaid shall be considered, deemed, and taken to be and to have been as good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said Stamp Duty of Fifty Pounds had been paid, and the said Letters Patent stamped with a proper Stamp Duty to that Amount had been produced by the said *Thomas Webster Rammell* at the Office of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions before the Expiration of Three Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent as in the said Letters Patent provided.

Saving Rights.

3. Provided always, That no Action or Suit shall be commenced or prosecuted at Law or in Equity, nor any Damage recovered for or in respect of any Infringements of the said Letters Patent which shall have taken place after the Expiration of the said Three Years from the Date of the said Letters Patent, and before the Payment of the said Fifty

Fifty Pounds and the stamping of the said Letters Patent in pursuance of this Act.

4. This Act may be cited as "*Rammell*'s Patent Act, 1864." Short Title.

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CONTAINING COPY OF LETTERS PATENT MENTIONED IN THIS ACT.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, to all to whom these Presents shall come, greeting. Whereas Thomas Webster Rammell, of No. 1, Saint Alban's Place, Saint James's, in the county of Middlesex, Civil Engineer, hath by his Petition humbly represented unto Us that he is in the possession of an Invention for "Improvements in Pneumatic Railways and Tubes" which the Petitioner believes will be of great public Utility, that he is the first and true Inventor thereof, and that the same is not in use by any other Person or Persons to the best of his Knowledge and Belief; the Petitioner therefore most humbly prayed that We would be graciously pleased to grant unto him, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns Our Royal Letters Patent for the sole Use, Benefit, and Advantage of his said Invention within our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and Isle of Man, for the Term of Fourteen Years pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided; and We being willing to give Encouragement to all Arts and Inventions which may be for the Public Good are graciously pleased to condescend to the Petitioner's Request. Know ye, therefore, that We of Our especial Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion have given and granted, and by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, do give and grant unto the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, Our especial Licence, full Power, sole Privilege, and Authority, that he the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and every of them by himself and themselves or by his and their Deputy or Deputies, Servants or Agents, or such others as he the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, shall at any Time agree with and no others, from Time to Time and at all Times hereafter during the Term of Years herein expressed shall and lawfully may make, use, exercise, and vend his said Invention within Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and Isle of Man, in such Manner as to him the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, or any of them, shall in his or their Discretion seem meet, and that he the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, shall and lawfully may have and enjoy the whole Profit, Benefit, Commodity, and Advantage from Time to Time coming, growing, accruing, and arising by reason of the said Invention for and during the Term of Years herein mentioned; to have, hold, exercise, and enjoy the said Licences, Powers, Privileges, and Advantages herein-before granted or mentioned to be granted unto the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, for and during and unto the full End and Term of Fourteen Years from the Day

Day of the Date of these Presents next and immediately ensuing, according to the Statute in such case made and provided; and to the end that he the said Thomas Webster Rammel, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and every of them, may have and enjoy the full Benefit and the sole Use and Exercise of the said Invention according to Our gracious Intention herein-before declared, We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, require and strictly command all and every Person and Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, and all other Our Subjects whatsoever, of what Estate, Quality, Degree, Name, or Condition soever they be, within Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and Isle of Man, that neither they nor any of them at any Time during the Continuance of the said Term of Fourteen Years hereby granted either directly or indirectly do make, use, or put in practice the said Invention or any Part of the same so attained unto by the said Thomas Webster Rammell as aforesaid, nor in anywise counterfeit, imitate, or resemble the same, nor shall make or cause to be made any Addition thereunto or Subtraction from the same whereby to pretend himself or themselves the Inventor or Inventors, Devisor or Devisors thereof without the Consent, Licence, or Agreement of the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, in Writing under his or their Hands and Seals first had and obtained in that Behalf, upon such Pains and Penalties as can or may be justly inflicted on such Offenders for their Contempt of this Our Royal Command, and further to be answerable to the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, according to Law, for his and their Damages thereby occasioned; and moreover, We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, will and command all and singular the Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs, Bailiffs, Constables, Headboroughs, and all other Officers and Ministers whatsoever of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, for the Time being, that they or any of them do not nor shall at any Time during the said Term hereby granted in anywise molest, trouble, or hinder the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, or any of them, or his or their Deputies, Servants, or Agents, in or about the due and lawful Use or Exercise of the aforesaid Invention, or anything relating thereto: Provided always, and these Our Letters Patent are and shall be upon this Condition, that if at any Time during the said Term hereby granted, it shall be made appear to Us, Our Heirs or Successors, or any Six or more of Our or Their Privy Council, that this Our Grant is contrary to Law, or prejudicial or inconvenient to Our Subjects in general, or that the said Invention is not a new Invention as to the public Use and Exercise thereof within Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and Isle of Man, or that the said Thomas Webster Rammell is not the first and true Inventor thereof within this Realm as aforesaid, these Our Letters Patent shall forthwith cease, determine, and be utterly void to all Intents and Purposes, anything herein-before contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding: Provided also, that these Our Letters Patent or anything herein contained shall not extend or be construed to extend to give Privilege unto the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, or any of them, to use or imitate any Invention or Work whatsoever which hath heretofore been found out or invented by any other of Our Subjects whatsoever, and publicly used or exercised within Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, or Isle of Man, unto whom Our like Letters Patent or Privileges have

been already granted for the sole Use, Exercise, and Benefit thereof, it being Our Will and Pleasure that the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and all and every other Person and Persons to whom like Letters Patent or Privileges have been already granted as aforesaid, shall distinctly use and practise their several Inventions by them invented and found out, according to the true Intent and Meaning of the same respective Letters Patent and of these Presents: Provided likewise, nevertheless, and these Our Letters Patent are upon this express Condition, that if the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, or Administrators shall not particularly describe and ascertain the Nature of the said Invention, and in what Manner the same is to be performed, by an Instrument in Writing under his or their or One of their Hands and Seals, and cause the same to be filed in the Great Seal Patent Office within Six Calendar Months next and immediately after the Date of these Our Letters Patent; and also if the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns shall not pay the Stamp Duty of Fifty Pounds, and produce these Our Letters Patent stamped with a proper Stamp to that Amount at the Office of Our Commissioners of Patents for Inventions before the Expiration of Three Years from the Date of these Our Letters Patent, pursuant to the Provisions of the Act of the Sixteenth Year of Our Reign, Chapter 5.; and also if the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns shall not pay the Stamp Duty of One hundred Pounds, and produce these Our Letters Patent stamped with a proper Stamp to that Amount at the said Office of Our said Commissioners before the Expiration of Seven Years from the Date of these Our Letters Patent pursuant also to the said Act; and also if the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, shall not supply or cause to be supplied for Our Service all such Articles of the said Invention as he or they shall be required to supply by the Officers or Commissioners administering the Department of Our Service for the Use of which the same shall be required, in such Manner, at such Times, and at and upon such reasonable Prices and Terms as shall be settled for that Purpose by the said Officers or Commissioners requiring the same, that then and in any of the said Cases these Our Letters Patent and all Liberties and Advantages whatsoever hereby granted shall utterly cease, determine, and become void, anything herein-before contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding, provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the granting of Licences in such Manner and for such Considerations as they may by Law be granted; and lastly, We do by these Presents, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, grant unto the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, that these Our Letters Patent or the filing thereof shall be in and by all Things good, firm, valid, sufficient, and effectual in the Law according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof and shall be taken, construed, and adjudged in the most favourable and beneficial Sense for the best Advantage of the said Thomas Webster Rammell, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, as well in all Our Courts of Record as elsewhere, and by all and singular the Officers and Ministers whatsoever of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, in Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and Isle of Man, and amongst all and every the Subjects of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, whatsoever and wheresoever, notwithstanding the not full and certain describing the Nature or Quality of the said Invention or of the Materials thereunto conducing and belonging. In witness whereof We have caused

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these Our Letters to be made Patent this Tenth Day of February One thousand eight hundred and sixty, in the Twenty-third Year of Our Reign, and to be sealed as of the said Tenth Day of February One thousand eight hundred and sixty.

By Warrant,

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