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seventh Day of *June* One thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, be by such Treasurers transferred, paid, and delivered, and all future Investments in the Public Funds pursuant to the Power thereafter contained, should also be made in their Names; and to whom all Money raised under a former Act of Parliament therein recited, or to be raised under the said Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, should thenceforth from Time to Time be remitted and paid; and certain Rates and Duties were granted and settled to be paid by the Master or Owners for Ships, Vessels, and Crayers of the respective Descriptions in the said Act mentioned, every Time such Ships, Vessels, or Crayers should sail from, arrive, or come into Harbour at, or pass by *Ramsgate* as therein mentioned, subject to such Exemptions, Regulations, and Restrictions as are in the said Act contained; and the said Committee were empowered to invest Surplus Monies arising from such Rates in the Three *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities, and, with the Consent and Direction of the said Trustees, from Time to Time to order and direct so much and such Part of the said funded Property for the Time being to be sold out and applied for the Purposes of that Act, as Occasion should from Time to Time require; but so nevertheless, as always to have a Principal or Capital Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds Stock in the said Three *per Centum* Annuities, which said Principal Sum, or any Part thereof, should not be sold out, unless in case of any Demolition of Works, or other inevitable Accident, and then only in pursuance of an Order of the said Trustees, or any Fifteen or more of them, at a General Meeting to be convened and held as therein mentioned: And whereas another Act of Parliament was passed in the Thirty-
37G.3.c.86. seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for amending an Act passed in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled 'An Act for the Maintenance and Improvement of 'the Harbour of* Ramsgate *in the County of* Kent, *and for cleansing, 'amending, and preserving the Haven of* Sandwich *in the same County;'* whereby the Trustees were empowered at a General Meeting to appoint a Committee, consisting of the Chairman and Deputy Chairman for the Time being, and the Deputy Master of the Trinity House *Deptford Strond*, together with Nine others of the Trustees to be chosen and elected by Ballot at the said General Meeting, and to be called "The Committee of Managers or Directors," and to hold Meetings Monthly, or oftener if necessary, for the Purposes of the said Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid: And whereas out of the Monies raised by the Rates and Duties imposed by the said first-recited Act, and out of the Funds and other Monies in that Act mentioned, divers Sums of the said Three *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities were purchased and placed in the Names of the Committee of Treasury appointed in virtue of the same Act; and on the Twenty-fifth Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and thirteen, the Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds Three *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities was standing in the Names of the said Committee of Treasury, in the proper Books of the Bank of *England;* but in consequence of a Demolition of, and other inevitable Accidents happening to the Works of the said Harbour, an Order was, on the said Twenty-fifth Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and thirteen, made by the said Trustees at a General Meeting duly convened and held for that Purpose, that the Committee of Treasury should be at liberty to sell all or any Part of the said Capital Fund of Fifty thousand Pounds Consolidated Bank Annuities, or so much thereof as might be necessary to be applied for the Purposes of the said Act, as Occasion should from Time to Time require;

and in virtue of the said Order of the said Trustees the Sum of Fifteen thousand Pounds Three *per Centum* Bank Annuities, Part of the said Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds Three *per Centum* Bank Annuities, hath already been sold out and applied for the Purposes of the said first-recited Act, leaving the Sum of Thirty-five thousand Pounds Bank Annuities, Residue of the said Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds Bank Annuities, now standing in the Names of the said Committee of Treasury; and it will be necessary soon to lay out a considerable Sum in strengthening Part of the Works of the said Harbour, for the Prevention of Accidents and serious Injury which may otherwise ensue, and for that Purpose to sell out and apply the Residue of the said Fifty thousand Pounds Three *per Centum* Bank Annuities for the Purposes of the said Acts: And whereas the present Rates and Duties are inadequate to make the necessary Works and Reparations of the Works of the said Harbour, and the Improvements necessary to be made to the said Harbour, and to the Establishment of such Fund as may be necessary to ensure the Safety of the Works of the said Harbour, by immediate Repairs, in case of future Accidents; and it is expedient that Regulations should be made for the better Protection of the Works of the said Harbour, and of the Persons employed therein or resorting thereto, but such several Objects cannot be effected and carried into Execution without the Aid and Authority of Parliament: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for the Trustees of the said Harbour of *Ramsgate*, for the Time being, under the said recited Acts, or any Fifteen or more of them, who shall be assembled at a Public Meeting to be held immediately after the passing of this Act, (of which Notice shall be given in the *London Gazette* Fourteen Days previous to the holding thereof,) and they are hereby authorized, to impose the additional Rate or Duty herein-after mentioned, over and besides the Rates and Duties imposed by the said first-recited Act; that is to say, for every Foreign Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, any additional Rate or Duty not exceeding Three-pence for each Ton, to be paid by the Master or Owner for every Foreign Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, whether the same be laden or in Ballast, passing to or by *Ramsgate*, whether on the East or West Side of the *Goodwin Sands*, or otherwise passing by the said Harbour of *Ramsgate*, not having a Receipt testifying the Payment of the same Rate or Duty before in respect to the same Ship, Vessel, or Crayer on the same Voyage; and the said Rate or Duty shall be paid every Time such Foreign Ship, Vessel, or Crayer shall sail or pass by or to *Ramsgate*, not having such Receipt as aforesaid; and such additional Rate or Duty, when settled and fixed by the Trustees of the said Harbour for the Time being, shall be forthwith afterwards published in the *London Gazette*, for the Information of all Parties concerned; and shall commence and become payable from any Day to be fixed by the said Trustees present at such Meeting as aforesaid (of which Day Notice shall be given in the *London Gazette*, Three Times next after such Meeting); and the said additional Rate or Duty shall be paid to the Comptroller or Collector of the Customs or their respective Deputies, or to such other Person or Persons as shall be appointed by the Trustees of the said Harbour for the Time being to receive the same, in such Port or Place whence such Foreign Ship, Vessel, or Crayer shall depart, and before she sails from such Port, or where such Foreign Ship, Vessel, or Crayer shall arrive, and before unloading

Present Rates and Duties inadequate.

New Duties in addition to the former.

Duty on Foreign Ships passing, &c. the Harbour.

Rate to be published in the London Gazette.

To whom Rates are to be paid.

Ascertainment of Tonnage.

loading the Goods on board thereof; or where such Foreign Ship, Vessel, or Crayer shall pass by the said Harbour of *Ramsgate;* and the Amount of the Number of such Tons of Foreign Ships, Vessels, or Crayers, shall be ascertained and taken according to the estimated or reputed Admeasurement thereof; and the said Rate or Duty by this Act imposed shall be raised, levied, and recovered in such and the same Manner, and subject to the like Rules and Regulations as the Rates and Duties established and imposed by the said Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, are by the same Act directed and authorized to be raised, levied, and recovered, and are subject to.

No Vessel to be cleared till Certificate be produced of Payment of Duties.

II. And be it further enacted, That no Ship, Vessel, or Crayer outward bound, the Place of whose Destination shall be to or by *Ramsgate*, shall be cleared at the Office of His Majesty's Customs or Subsidies, on such outward bound Voyage, nor shall any Ship, Vessel, or Crayer which shall have sailed from or by *Ramsgate*, or have gone into Harbour there, be allowed to enter at the said Office on her inward bound Voyage by any Officer or Officers of His Majesty's Customs, without producing a Certificate from the Officer or Person empowered to collect the said Rate or Duty imposed under the Authority of this Act, that the same hath been paid.

Collector to enter into and admeasure Ships.

III. And to the Intent that the said Rate or Duty by this Act imposed may be truly ascertained and paid, be it further enacted, That the Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, charged with the said Rate or Duty, shall, when required by the Collector or Collectors of the said Rate or Duty, or such other Person or Persons as the said Trustees for the Time being shall nominate and appoint to receive the same, produce to him or them, and permit him and them to peruse the Register of such Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, and to take such Extracts therefrom, as to the Tonnage of such Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, as he or they may think fit; and in case the Collector or Collectors of the same Rate or Duty, or such other Person or Persons as aforesaid, and the Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any such Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, cannot otherwise agree about and adjust the Tonnage thereof respectively, that then and so often it shall be lawful for the said Collector or Collectors, or such other Person or Persons as aforesaid, with any Assistant or Assistants in his or their Company, from Time to Time, and at all Times convenient or seasonable, to enter into such Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, and to admeasure the same; and if any Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any such Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, shall, when required as aforesaid, refuse to produce the Register of his Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, to the Person or Persons requiring the same, or shall not permit him or them to inspect and make such Extracts therefrom as aforesaid, or if any Owner, Master, or other Officer of any such Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, or any other Person whosoever, shall obstruct or hinder any Person or Persons employed by the said Trustees for that Purpose, in admeasuring any Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, in pursuance of this Act, in order to ascertain the Rate or Duty by this Act authorized to be raised and levied, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit the Sum of Ten Pounds, to be recovered, levied, and disposed of in manner herein-after mentioned.

Penalties on Persons not producing Ships Registers, or obstructing the measuring of Ships.

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Transports to pay only Twice a Year.

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Rate or Duty granted by the said Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, shall be paid by the Master or Owner of every Ship or Vessel in the Employ or Service of His Majesty as a Transport, so long as such Ship or Vessel shall continue engaged in such Employ or Service, Twice only in each Year, from and after the passing of this Act; any thing in the said Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid to the contrary thereof contained in anywise notwithstanding.

Application of the Money to be raised by the Rates.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Rate or Duty by this Act directed and authorized to be raised and levied shall be applied, in the first place, in paying and defraying all Costs, Charges, and Expences of passing this Act, and all other Charges incident to the obtaining thereof, and afterwards in enlarging, building, finishing, maintaining, supporting, and improving the said Harbour of *Ramsgate*, and in defraying all other Expences which shall be incurred in carrying into Execution the Powers and Authorities contained in this Act and the said recited Acts respectively.

Penalties on Persons eluding Payment of the Duties.

VI. And be it further enacted, That if any Owner, Master, or Commander of any Ship, Vessel, or Crayer, subject to the Payment of the Rate or Duty by this Act authorized to be levied or raised, shall, at any Time hereafter, elude or avoid Payment of the same Rate or Duty, by any Method whatsoever, such Owner, Master, or Commander shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence Double the Amount of the Rate or Duty which such Ship, Vessel, or Crayer would be subject to by virtue or in pursuance of this Act.

Power to raise Money on the Security of the Rates.

VII. And whereas it may become necessary for the said Trustees to raise Money on the Credit of the Rates or Duties by the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, and by this Act respectively directed and authorized to be raised and levied, for the Purposes of this and the said recited Acts; be it therefore further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Trustees of the said Harbour for the Time being, and they are hereby empowered, when they shall judge it necessary, to borrow and take up at Interest any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Fifty thousand Pounds in the whole, on the Credit of the said Rates or Duties, either by a Mortgage or Mortgages of the said Rates or Duties, or by a Debenture or Debentures on the said Rates and Duties, or partly by a Mortgage or Mortgages, and partly by a Debenture or Debentures (the Costs and Charges whereof shall be paid out of the said Rates and Duties), as a Security and Charge on the said Rates or Duties for any Sum or Sums of Money so to be borrowed, with Interest thereon, to such Person or Persons, or Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, who shall advance the same; all which Mortgages and Debentures shall be by Deed Poll, under the Hands and Seals of the said Trustees for the Time being, and in the respective Forms or to the Effect following respectively; that is to say,

‘ *Form of Mortgage.*

Form of Mortgage.

‘ BY virtue of an Act of Parliament passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act* [*here insert the Title of this Act*], we the Trustees of the said Harbour, whose Hands and Seals are hereto set and affixed, in consideration of the Sum of in hand paid, with our Privity and Appro-

'bation, to the Committee of Treasury of the said Harbour, by
' do hereby bargain, sell, and assign unto
' the said Executors, Administrators, and Assigns,
' or Successors and Assigns [*as the Case may be*], all and every the Rates
' and Duties, Rate and Duty, imposed and levied, and to be imposed and
' levied by virtue of the said Act, and of another Act of Parliament passed
' in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, in-
' tituled *An Act for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Harbour of*
' Ramsgate *in the County of* Kent, *and for cleansing, amending, and pre-*
' *serving the Haven of* Sandwich *in the same County;* to hold the same
' unto the said Executors, Ad-
' ministrators, and Assigns, or Successors and Assigns [*as the Case may be*],
' until the said Sum of with Interest for the same
' after the Rate of *per Centum per Annum*, be fully paid
' and satisfied. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our Hands and
' Seals the Day of in the Year of our
' Lord .'

' *Form of Debenture.*

Form of Debenture.

' BY virtue of an Act of Parliament passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of the
' Reign of King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act* [*here insert the*
' *Title of this Act*], we the Trustees of the Harbour of *Ramsgate* in the
' County of *Kent*, whose Hands and Seals are hereunto set and affixed,
' in consideration of the Sum of this Day paid, with
' our Privity and Approbation, to the Committee of Treasury of the said
' Harbour of *Ramsgate*, do hereby charge all the Rates or Duties raised
' or levied, or to be raised or levied by virtue of the said Act, and of another
' Act of Parliament passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of the Reign of King
' *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for the Maintenance and Improvement of*
' *the Harbour of* Ramsgate *in the County of* Kent, *and for the cleansing,*
' *amending, and preserving the Haven of* Sandwich *in the same County*, with
' the Payment to the said or the Bearer hereof, of the Sum
' of together with Interest for the same at the Rate of
' *per Centum per Annum*, the said Principal Sum of
' with any Arrear of Interest thereon, to be paid at the Office
' of the Secretary to the said Trustees for the Time being, to the said
' or the Bearer hereof, at the Expiration of
' next after Notice in Writing under the Hand of the Person,
' or under the Common Seal of the Body Politic or Corporate [*as the Case*
' *may be*], then entitled to this Debenture, of Intention of calling in the
' same, shall have been left at the Office of the Secretary to the Trustees
' of the said Harbour for the Time being, and the Interest on the said
' Sum of in the meantime, and until such Notice be given
' as aforesaid, to be paid at the Office of the said Secretary to the said
' or the Bearer hereof, by Payments, to commence
' from the Date hereof; and this Debenture to be subject to be redeemed
' or paid off by the Trustees of the said Harbour for the Time being,
' according to the Provisions contained in the first-mentioned Act. In
' witness whereof we have hereunto set our Hands and Seals this
' Day of in the Year of our Lord
'.

No Preference of Securities.

And all Persons to whom such respective Securities shall be made shall be respectively equally entitled one with the other to the Proportions of the said

said Rate or Duty, according to the respective Sums in such Securities respectively mentioned to be advanced, without any Preference by reason of Priority of Date of any such Security, or the Nature of such Security, or on any other Account; and the Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, to whom any such Mortgage or Mortgages shall be made as aforesaid, or who from Time to Time shall be entitled to the Money due thereon, shall and may transfer his, her, or their Right or Interest therein to any Person or Persons, or Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, by Writing under his, her, or their Hand and Seal, Hands and Seals, in the Form or to the Effect following; that is to say, rity in respect to Date, &c.

' in consideration of the Sum of
' paid by do hereby transfer a certain Mort-
' gage, made by the Trustees of the Harbour of *Ramsgate* in the County
' of *Kent*, to bearing Date the
' Day of for securing the Sum of
' and all Interest now due and to become due thereon, and all
' Right and Property therein to the said Executors, Admi-
' nistrators and Assigns, or Successors and Assigns [*as the Case may be*].
' Dated this Day of .'

VIII. And be it further enacted, That all Monies so to be borrowed as aforesaid shall be applied in or towards the Repairs or rebuilding of such of the said Works of the said Harbour as may have been demolished by Tempests or other inevitable Accidents, or in strengthening the Works of the said Harbour, for the Prevention of Accidents or other serious Injury; and it shall not be lawful or requisite, in relation to any such Security, for the Lender or Lenders to inquire or raise any Questions as to the Necessity or Cause of borrowing the Money, or as to the Application thereof; but all such Securities granted under the Authority aforesaid shall be deemed to be raised under the Power of and for the Purposes of this Act, and valid and effectual to the Lender or Lenders of the Money. Application of Monies to be borrowed. Lenders not bound to see Application of Money borrowed.

IX. And be it further enacted, That the Interest of the Money which shall be borrowed or raised as aforesaid shall be provided for and paid Half-yearly to the several Persons entitled thereto. Interest to be paid Half-yearly.

X. And be it further enacted, That the several Rates or Duties directed or authorized to be raised or imposed by this Act, and by the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, shall be a Security for each and every Sum and Sums of Money so to be borrowed as aforesaid, with Interest, to the Person or Persons who shall from Time to Time be entitled to such Securities; and if Default shall be made in Payment of the Sum or Sums of Money thereby to be secured respectively, or of the Interest for the same respectively, at the Time when the same shall respectively become due and payable, that the Person or Persons then entitled to such Securities respectively shall have the same Powers, Rights, Remedies, and Privileges to collect and receive the Rates and Duties directed or authorized to be raised and levied by virtue of this Act and the said recited Act, as the said Trustees for the Time being, or the Collector or Collectors, Receiver or Receivers, appointed or to be appointed by them, have or can have, until by means of such Collection or Receipt, or by voluntary or other Payment thereof by the Trustees for the Time being, the Power to Lenders of Money to enforce their Securities.

Debt

Debt or Debts due by virtue of such Security or Securities, with Interest thereon, and together with all Costs and Expences to be incurred or occasioned by the Nonpayment thereof when due, be fully paid and satisfied; yet nevertheless that such Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, entitled to such Securities respectively as aforesaid, shall not have Power to impose or levy any new Rate or Duty, or to increase or decrease, or in any Manner vary or alter the Rates or Duties then raisable, or any of them, but only to collect and receive the same Rates or Duties as the same shall become payable, for the Purpose of discharging therewith their Principal Sums, Interest, Costs, and Expences respectively.

Memorial of Monies borrowed to be kept.

XI. And be it further enacted, That there shall be provided by the said Trustees for the Time being, and kept, One or more Book or Books, in which shall be fairly written and entered, within Fourteen Days next after making any such Security, a Memorial of every such Security, containing the Date or Dates, Name or Names, Addition or Additions, or Description of the Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, to whom made, the Sum borrowed, Rate of Interest, and the Nature of the Security or Securities, and of what Sums of Money, if any, shall have been redeemed or paid off in respect to such Securities, and the Times when the same shall have been redeemed or paid off, and all other Circumstances relating to the Money due on such Securities respectively, so that it may clearly appear what Sums of Money from Time to Time stand and remain charged upon the said Rates or Duties, to which Book and Books it shall and may be lawful for the Person or Persons, for that Purpose, from Time to Time interested in the said Securities, or any of them, and to and for any Person or Persons empowered by them, from Time to Time, at all seasonable Times, to have recourse and to inspect the same, and to take Extracts therefrom, without Fee or Reward; and which Books respectively, when signed by the said Trustees for the Time being, shall be Evidence *primâ facie* of the Entries therein, and be on any Trial, Hearing, Commission, or otherwise, admissible as Evidence accordingly.

Books to be inspected gratis.

Power to the Trustees to redeem Securities.

XII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees for the Time being to redeem and pay off the said Mortgage or Mortgages, Debenture or Debentures, or any of them, upon giving at least Six Calendar Months Notice in Writing of their Intention in that Behalf, to be published Three Times in the *London Gazette*, and from the Time to be expressed in such Notices respectively, for redeeming or paying off the said Mortgage or Mortgages, Debenture or Debentures, all Interest payable in respect to such Security or Securities, whereof such Notices shall be given as aforesaid, shall cease, and be no longer payable, unless the Payment of the Monies payable in virtue of such Security or Securities, or some Part thereof, shall at the Time to be expressed in such Notices, or within Thirty Days then after, for redeeming or paying off the same, upon Application at the Office of the Secretary to the said Trustees for the Time being, by or on behalf of the Person or Persons then entitled to such Security or Securities, be refused or omitted to be paid.

Lenders on Debentures to be at liberty to call

XIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, entitled to any Sum or Sums of Money, secured by any Debenture or Debentures, to call in and require

require Payment of the Principal and Interest Monies due by virtue of or in respect to any such Debenture or Debentures, upon giving Six Calendar Months Notice in Writing, under his or their Hand or Hands, or Common Seals, (as the Case may be,) at the Office of the Secretary to the said Trustees for the Time being, and at the Time to be expressed in such Notice for calling in the said Principal and Interest the same shall be paid to the Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, then entitled thereto, and Interest shall cease from such Time if the said Principal Monies shall be paid, or being ready to be then paid shall not be demanded; but if the same shall be demanded and not paid, then such Interest shall be payable up to the Payment of the said Principal Monies.

in their Money.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Fifteen or more of them, at a General Meeting to be held for that Purpose, from Time to Time to alter and vary the Rate or Duty by this Act directed and authorized to be raised and levied, so as not to exceed at any Time the Amount limited by this Act: Provided always, that Fourteen Days Notice shall be given in the *London Gazette* of the Intention of the said Trustees to alter such Rate or Duty; and the same, when fixed, shall be published in the *London Gazette* in manner directed in this Act as to the Rate or Duty to be made immediately after the passing of this Act: Provided also, that the said Rates or Duties by this Act, and the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, respectively directed and authorized to be raised, shall not be diminished or lowered so long as any Sum or Sums of Money which may have been borrowed on the Security thereof shall remain charged thereon.

Rates to be lowered and raised again at the Discretion of the Trustees.

XV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Committee of Treasury for the Time being, when thereunto directed by the said Trustees for the Time being, by any Resolution or Resolutions for that Purpose, to sell out and dispose of the Whole or any Part or Parts, from Time to Time, of the said Sum of Thirty-five thousand Pounds Three *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities, Residue of the said Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds of the like Annuities; and that the said Trustees for the Time being shall apply the Monies arising from such Sale or Sales in the repairing or strengthening any Part of the Works of the said Harbour for the Security thereof, and for the Prevention of Demolition, Accidents, and future Injury to the same.

Power to the Committee of Treasury to sell the Residue of the 50,000*l.* Stock.

Application of the Produce thereof.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Money shall be agreed or awarded to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchased, taken, or used by virtue of the Powers of the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, for the Purposes thereof, which shall belong to any Corporation, Feme Covert, Infant, Lunatic, or Person or Persons under any Disability or Incapacity, such Money shall, in case the same shall amount to the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, with all convenient Speed be paid into the Bank of *England* in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account there *ex parte* the Trustees for executing the said several recited Acts and this Act; to the Intent that such Money shall be applied, under the Direction and with the Approbation of the said Court, to be signified by an Order to be made upon a Petition to be preferred in a summary Way by the Person or Persons who would have been entitled

Application of Compensation if above 200*l.*

to the Rents and Profits of the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, in the Purchase of the Land Tax, or towards the Discharge of any Debt or Debts, or such other Incumbrances, or Part thereof, as the said Court shall authorize to be paid, affecting the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or affecting other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments standing settled therewith to the same or the like Uses, Intents, or Purposes; or where such Money shall not be so applied, then the same shall be laid out and invested, under the like Direction and Approbation of the said Court, in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall be conveyed and settled to, for, and upon such and the like Uses, Intents, and Purposes, and in the same Manner as the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which shall be so purchased, taken, or used as aforesaid stood settled or limited, or such of them as at the Time of making such Conveyance and Settlement shall be existing undetermined and capable of taking effect; and in the meantime, and until such Purchase shall be made, the said Money shall, by Order of the High Court of Chancery upon Application thereto, be invested by the said Accountant General in his Name in the Purchase of Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated or Three Pounds *per Centum* Reduced Bank Annuities; and in the meantime, and until the said Annuities shall be ordered by the said Court to be sold for the Purposes aforesaid, the Dividends and annual Produce of the said Consolidated or Reduced Bank Annuities shall from Time to Time be paid, by Order of the said Court, to the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments so hereby directed to be purchased, in case such Purchase or Settlement were made.

If under 200*l.* and above 20*l.*

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

And if under 20*l.*

XVIII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That where such Money so agreed or awarded to be paid as next before mentioned shall be less than the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then and in all such Cases the same shall be applied

applied to the Uses of the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes of this Act, in such Manner as the said Trustees shall think fit; or in case of Infancy or Lunacy, then to his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, to and for the Use and Benefit of such Person or Persons so entitled respectively.

In case of not making out Titles.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That in case any Person or Persons to whom any Sum or Sums of Money shall be agreed or awarded to be paid for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased by virtue of the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, shall not be able to make a good Title to the Premises to the Satisfaction of the said Trustees for the Time being, it shall and may be lawful for the said Trustees to order the said Sums of Money to be paid into the Bank of *England*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account to the Credit of the Parties interested in the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, (describing them,) subject to the Order, Controul, and Disposition of the said Court of Chancery; which said Court of Chancery, on Application of any Person or Persons making claim to such Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, by Motion or Petition, shall be and is hereby empowered, in a summary Way of Proceeding or otherwise, as to the said Court shall seem meet, to order the same to be laid out and invested in the Public Funds, and to order Distribution thereof, or Payment of the Dividends thereof, according to the respective Estate or Estates, Title or Interest of the Person or Persons making Claims thereunto, and to make such other Order in the Premises as to the said Court shall seem just and reasonable; and the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank of *England* who shall receive such Sum or Sums of Money is and are hereby required to give a Receipt or Receipts for such Sum or Sums of Money, mentioning and specifying for what and for whose Use the same is or are received, to such Person or Persons as shall pay any such Sum or Sums of Money into the Bank as aforesaid.

Persons in Possession of Premises purchased to be deemed the Owners thereof.

XX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where any Question shall arise touching the Title of any Person to any Money to be paid into the Bank of *England* in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, in pursuance of the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased in pursuance of the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, or to any Bank Annuities to be purchased with such Money, or the Interest and Dividends of any such Bank Annuities, the Person or Persons who shall have been in Possession of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments at the Time of such Purchase, and all Persons claiming under such Person or Persons, or under the Possession of such Person or Persons, shall be deemed and taken to have been lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments according to such Possession, until the contrary shall be shewn to the Satisfaction of the said Court of Chancery; and the Dividends and Interest of the Bank Annuities to be purchased with such Money, and also the Capital of such Bank Annuities, shall be paid, applied, and disposed of accordingly,

ingly, unless it shall be made appear to the said Court that such Possession was a wrongful Possession, and that some other Person or Persons was or were lawfully entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or to some Estate or Interest therein.

For paying Expences when Purchases shall be made from incapacitated Persons.

XXI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That where by reason of any Disability or Incapacity of the Person or Persons, or Corporation, entitled to any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased under the Authority of the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, the Purchase Money for the same shall be required to be paid into the Court of Chancery, and to be applied in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be settled to the like Uses in pursuance of the same Act, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said High Court of Chancery to order the Expences of all Purchases from Time to Time to be made in pursuance of the same Act, or so much of such Expences as the Court shall deem reasonable, to be paid by the said Trustees, out of the Monies to be received by virtue of the said recited Act, who shall from Time to Time pay such Sums of Money for such Purposes as the said Court shall direct.

All Vessels having Gunpowder on board to go to Places appointed for such Vessels.

XXII. And whereas great Danger and Hazard arises from Ships or Vessels entering and lying in the said Harbour with Gunpowder on board, without the same being properly watched, guarded, and deposited; for Remedy whereof be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees for the Time being, and they are hereby authorized and empowered from Time to Time, by Order in Writing under their respective Hands, to order, direct, and appoint at what Place or Places within the said Harbour every Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft having any Quantity of Gunpowder on board shall go on entering the said Harbour, or be or remain after coming into the same, so long as any Gunpowder continue on board; and every Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, which shall come into or arrive at the said Harbour, having any Quantity of Gunpowder on board, shall immediately, or as soon as possible afterwards, give Notice at the Office of the Harbour Master of the said Harbour for the Time being, of the Quantity of Gunpowder on board of such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, and of the Place where and in what Manner the same is stowed; and shall also immediately, or as soon as possible, go to the Place or Places in the said Harbour so to be appointed for Ships or Vessels, Lighters, Barges, Boats, or other Craft, having Gunpowder on board; and during the Time that any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, having Gunpowder on board, shall be or continue in the said Harbour, there shall not be any lighted Candle or Fire of any Kind or Description on board of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft; and every Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft in the said Harbour, having any Quantity of Gunpowder on board, who shall not give such Notice as aforesaid at the said Harbour Master's Office, or shall not so go to the Place or Places to be appointed for the Purpose aforesaid, or shall during the Time that any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, shall be or continue in the said Harbour, cause or permit or suffer any lighted Candle or Fire of any Kind

Captains of such Vessels to give Notice to the Harbour Master, and proceed to the Places appointed.

or

or Description, to be on board thereof, shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

All Ships on entering the Harbour to produce Manifest, &c. (if required).

XXIII. And for the Purpose of better ascertaining whether there be any Gunpowder on board of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft coming into or being in the said Harbour, be it further enacted, That every Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft coming into or being in the said Harbour, shall, when thereunto required in that Behalf by the Harbour Master of the said Harbour for the Time being, or other Person or Persons authorized in that Behalf by the said Trustees for the Time being, produce to him or them the Manifest, or Cocket or Cockets of or relating to the Cargo of such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft; and every Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft coming into or being in the said Harbour, who shall not, when thereunto so required as aforesaid, so produce the Manifest, or Cocket or Cockets of or relating to the Cargo of his Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Power to search for Gunpowder.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Harbour Master of the said Harbour for the Time being, or any other Person or Persons to be authorized in that Behalf by the Trustees of the said Harbour for the Time being, and also for any Person or Persons in the Aid or Assistance of the said Harbour Master for the Time being, or of such Person or Persons authorized as aforesaid, at any Hour between Sun-rising and Sun-setting, to go and enter into and on board of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft in the said Harbour, to search for Gunpowder; and in case any Gunpowder be found on board, to examine and inspect the Place where and the Manner in which such Gunpowder shall be stowed; and in case the same shall not appear to be safely stowed on board such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, to give Orders for and appoint One or Two discreet and trust-worthy Person or Persons to watch over and guard such Gunpowder on board such Ship, Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, as shall seem most fit and safe during the Time the same shall continue in the said Harbour; and all the Expences of guarding and watching any such Gunpowder within the said Harbour shall be paid and discharged by the Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of the Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, on board of which the same shall be; and such Expences shall be recovered by such Owner, Master, or other Person, from his Owners or Freighters, in the same Manner and by the same Means as other Harbour Dues are directed to be recovered by the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid; and if the Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, shall, upon Demand in that Behalf made, refuse to permit or shall not permit the said Harbour Master, or such other Person or Persons as aforesaid, to come and enter into and on board of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, and to make a due and proper Search for the Purposes aforesaid, or if any Person or Persons shall obstruct any such Search,

every such Owner, Master, or other Person offending as aforesaid, shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Fifty Pounds.

Gunpowder on board certain Ships to be landed, &c.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees for the Time being, and they are hereby authorized and empowered from Time to Time, by Order in Writing under their respective Hands, to appoint a fit and proper Place or fit and proper Places, either afloat or on Shore, within the said Harbour, where all Gunpowder shall or may be left or deposited which shall be on board of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft that shall unload or discharge her Cargo, or any Part thereof, in the said Harbour, or on the Quays thereof, or come into the said Harbour for that Purpose, or that shall be repaired, or wait or be in the said Harbour for the Purpose of being repaired; and also to appoint a fit and proper Person or fit and proper Persons there to take in and receive, and also to give and deliver out all such Gunpowder, and upon the taking in thereof to give a Receipt or Receipts for the same; and every Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, shall, when thereunto required by the Harbour Master of the said Harbour for the Time being, or other Person or Persons authorized in that Behalf by the said Trustees for the Time being, leave or deposit, or cause to be left or deposited at such Place or Places as shall be appointed for the Purpose as aforesaid, all Gunpowder on board of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, and shall sign a Declaration in Writing, under his Hand, of his having so done, and that neither he, or any other Person or Persons to his Knowledge or Belief, had any Gunpowder then on board of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft; and it shall be lawful for the said Harbour Master of the said Harbour for the Time being, or any other Person or Persons to be authorized in that Behalf by the said Trustees for the Time being, and also for any Person or Persons in the Aid or Assistance of the said Harbour Master, or of such Person or Persons authorized as aforesaid, to go on board of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, and to remove all Gunpowder therefrom, and to leave or deposit the same in such Place or Places as aforesaid, in case the Master, or other Person having the Command of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, shall not, when thereunto required as aforesaid, remove the same therefrom, and leave and deposit the same at such Place or Places as aforesaid; and every such Person so to be appointed as aforesaid shall be accountable to the Owner or Owners of all such Gunpowder for the same, and shall, upon Demand, when such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft is ready to depart from the said Harbour, deliver such Gunpowder to the Owner or Owners thereof, or to the Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of the Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft from which such Gunpowder shall have been received, on being paid such reasonable Sum for Warehouse-room in proportion to the Quantity of such Gunpowder, and the Time for which the same shall have been kept, as shall be ascertained and fixed by the said Trustees for the Time being; and every Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, having on

board thereof any Gunpowder, who shall not, when thereunto required as aforesaid, leave or deposit or cause to be left or deposited all such Gunpowder at such Place or Places as aforesaid, or who shall refuse to sign such Declaration as aforesaid, or who at the Time of such Declaration being signed shall have any Gunpowder on board, shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Fifty Pounds; and every Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft in the said Harbour, or other Person or Persons, who shall refuse to permit or shall not permit the said Harbour Master, or such other Person or Persons authorized as aforesaid, to enter and come into such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, and make a due and proper Search for the Purposes aforesaid, or shall obstruct or hinder any such Search, Examination, or Removal, every such Master or other Person offending as aforesaid shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Fifty Pounds.

Certain Exemptions of Transports, having Gunpowder on board.

XXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to compel the Master, Owner, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, in the Service or Employ of His Majesty, as a Transport, or belonging to or in the Service or Employ of His Majesty's Ordnance, Customs, Excise, or Post Office, which shall come into or arrive at the said Harbour, having Gunpowder on board, to give any Notice at the Office of the Harbour Master of the said Harbour relating to such Gunpowder, nor to produce to the Harbour Master of the said Harbour, or to any other Person or Persons, the Manifest or Cocket or Cockets of or relating to the Cargo of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, nor to authorize the said Harbour Master of the said Harbour, or any other Person or Persons, to go or enter into or on board of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, to search for Gunpowder, or to examine or inspect the Place where and the Manner in which any Gunpowder on board thereof shall be stowed, or to give Orders for or appoint any Person or Persons to watch over or guard any such Gunpowder, or to compel the Master, Owner, or other Person having the Charge or Command of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, to leave or deposit any such Gunpowder in any Place or Places whatsoever, or to authorize the said Harbour Master, or any other Person or Persons, to go on board of any such Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft, and remove any Gunpowder, or to prevent or hinder any Fire or Light being on board any such Ship or Vessel, between the Hours of Five o'Clock in the Morning and Nine o'Clock in the Evening, in every Year.

Combustibles not to remain on the Quays or on the Decks of Vessels longer than Twelve Hours, and during that Time to be guarded.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That no Pitch, Tar, Rosin, Hemp, Flax, Faggots, Furze, Brandy, or other Spirituous Liquors, Turpentine, Oil, Straw, Hay, Tallow, Grease, or other Combustible Matter of any Kind, shall be or remain on the Piers or Quays of the said Harbour, or any Part thereof, or upon the Deck of any Ship or Vessel lying in the said Harbour of *Ramsgate*, for above the Space of Twelve Hours together, after passing the Custom House Officers, and the Owner or Consignee of such

such Goods, Matters, or Things respectively, if on any of the said Piers or Quays, or the Owner or Master of any such Ship or Vessel if any such Goods, Matters, or Things shall be on the Deck of any such Ship or Vessel, shall and they are hereby required to cause the same to be watched and guarded by One or more careful, sober, and discreet Person or Persons (to be appointed by the said Harbour Master for the Time being) during the Night-time, for such and so many Hours, according to the Season of the Year, as the said Harbour Master for the Time being shall from Time to Time direct, by Writing to be placed in some conspicuous Part of the Pier of the said Harbour, the Expence of which guarding and watching shall be borne and paid by the Owner or Consignee of any such Goods, Matters, or Things, or the Owner or Master, or Person having the Command of any such Ship or Vessel; and every Owner or Consignee of any such Goods, Matters, or Things, or Owner or Master of any such Ship or Vessel, who shall neglect to watch or guard, or cause the same to be watched or guarded as aforesaid, or shall refuse to pay such Expence of guarding and watching as aforesaid, when thereunto required, shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay a Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds; and the Owner or Consignee of any such Goods, Matters, or Things, and every Master of any such Ship or Vessel shall for each and every Hour which the same shall remain on such Piers or Quays or Decks respectively, beyond the Space of Twelve Hours as aforesaid, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Shillings.

Not to discharge Cannon, Guns, or Fire Arms, within the Harbour.

XXVIII. And whereas it is a dangerous Practice of Persons to fire or discharge Cannons and other Guns in the said Harbour, from which Accidents have ensued; be it therefore enacted, That no Cannon or Cannons, Musket or Muskets, or other Fire Arms, shall, from and after the passing of this Act, be wantonly fired or discharged in the said Harbour, or on the Piers or Quays thereof, and that the Commander, or other Person having the Charge of any Ship, Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft on board of which any Cannon, Musket, or other Fire Arms shall be so fired or discharged, and every other Person firing or discharging any such Cannon, Musket, or other Fire Arms, shall forfeit and pay respectively for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Penalty on graving or breaming Ships, except at appointed Places.

XXIX. And whereas great Danger and Inconvenience is experienced from Ships being breamed or graved in improper Places, or at improper Times, in the said Harbour; for Remedy whereof be it further enacted, That no Ship or Vessel, Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Craft whatever, shall be graved or breamed afloat in the said Harbour, or at any other Place or Places on Shore within the said Harbour, or at any other Time than such as shall be ordered or directed by the Harbour Master of the said Harbour for the Time being, acting under the Authority of the said Trustees for the Time being, upon Pain that every Person offending therein shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

Ships going into the Dry Dock for Repairs to be

XXX. And whereas it has been found by Experience that great Inconvenience has arisen by Ships or Vessels repaired in the Dry Dock in the said Harbour continuing therein longer than is necessary for such Repairs, whereby

whereby other Ships or Vessels in the said Harbour wanting Repair, have been prevented, or unnecessarily delayed from having the Use of the said Dry Dock; for Remedy thereof be it enacted, That in future, before any Ship or Vessel shall be permitted to enter into the said Dry Dock, a Statement in Writing, under the Hand of the Owner, Master, or other Person having the Command of any such Ship or Vessel, or his Agent, of the Repairs necessary to be done thereto, as nearly as the same can be ascertained, and the Time it will require to complete the same, shall be made to the said Trustees for the Time being, or to the Harbour Master of the said Harbour for the Time being, and it shall be lawful for the said Trustees and Harbour Master, and they and he are and is hereby respectively authorized and empowered, to make an Order for such Ship or Vessel to be admitted into the said Dry Dock, and to continue therein for such Time as the said Trustees for the Time being, or the said Harbour Master, shall judge reasonable for doing such Repairs; and if the said Ship or Vessel shall, without the Permission of the said Trustees for the Time being, or of the said Harbour Master, continue in the said Dry Dock beyond the Time limited by such Order for the said Ship or Vessel continuing in the said Dry Dock, the Owner, Master, or other Person having the Charge or Command of such Ship or Vessel, shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds for every Day such Ship or Vessel shall continue in the said Dry Dock beyond the Time limited by such Order; and the same Penalty shall be paid Day by Day, so long as such Ship or Vessel shall continue in the said Dry Dock beyond the said limited Time; and it shall also be lawful for the said Harbour Master of the said Harbour for the Time being, or any Person or Persons authorized in that Behalf by the said Trustees for the Time being, or any Person or Persons in the Aid or Assistance of the said Harbour Master, or of such Person or Persons authorized as aforesaid, to enter into and go on board such Ship or Vessel, and to remove the same out of the said Dry Dock; and if any Person or Persons shall obstruct or hinder the said Harbour Master, or such other Person or Persons as aforesaid, or any of them, from entering into or going on board of any such Ship or Vessel, or in the Removal thereof out of the said Dry Dock, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Fifty Pounds.

limited in their Stay there.

Penalty.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That all Actions and Suits which shall be brought on the Part of the said Trustees in pursuance of this Act, for any of the Purposes thereof, or against them as Trustees, shall be brought or commenced in the Name of or against the Deputy Master of Trinity House *Deptford Strond*, for the Time being, and his Successors; and that no such Action or Suit which shall be so brought shall abate or be discontinued by the Death or Removal of the said Deputy Master of Trinity House for the Time being and his Successors, but the said Deputy Master of Trinity House for the Time being and his Successors shall always be deemed the Plaintiff or Defendant in such Action or Suit: Provided always, that the said Deputy Master of Trinity House for the Time being, and his Successors, in whose Name any such Action or Suit shall be brought, shall always be reimbursed and paid, out of the Monies to be raised by virtue of this Act,

Actions to be brought in the Name of the Deputy Master.

Act, all such Costs, Damages, Charges, and Expences as he shall be put to or become chargeable with by reason of his being made a Plaintiff or Defendant in such Action or Suit, or otherwise, as a Trustee acting under this Act.

Power to Persons to be appointed by the Trustees to act as Constables.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act it shall and may be lawful for the Trustees of the said Harbour of *Ramsgate* for the Time being to appoint One or more Person or Persons to act as Constable or Constables, Officer or Officers of the Peace, within the said Harbour, as well afloat as on shore, and upon all the Piers and other Works thereof, for the duly enforcing all Regulations, Rules, and Orders relating to the said Harbour or Vessels, and Persons resorting thereto, excepting to Vessels and Persons actually under Quarantine, and to Vessels and Persons belonging to His Majesty's Revenue of Customs and Excise within the said Harbour, and for the Preservation of the said Harbour and Pier, and Works, and in all Matters and Things relating thereto, and to the Preservation of the Peace and good Order, and the Prevention of Damage or Accidents within the same; provided that all such Persons shall first take the Oaths in that Behalf prescribed, which said Oaths any One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace having Jurisdiction within the said Harbour, and upon the Piers and other Works thereof, is and are hereby authorized and required to administer to every such Constable or Officer, on Application made to him or them for that Purpose.

Power to Committee of Managers to carry the Act into Execution, except in certain Cases.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases (except only such Cases where any Matter or Thing, Matters or Things, is or are by this Act or the said recited Acts, or either of them, expressly required to be done by Fifteen or more of the said Trustees) the Committee of Managers or Directors for the Time being, to be appointed by virtue or in pursuance of the said recited Act of the Thirty-seventh Year aforesaid, or any Five or more of them, (of whom the Chairman or Deputy Chairman, or the Deputy Master of the Trinity House *Deptford Strond*, to be one,) shall be and are hereby declared to be competent and sufficient in all respects, and to and for all Intents and Purposes, to manage and transact the Business and Affairs of the said several recited Acts and of this Act, and to carry all the same Acts respectively into Execution; and their Acts and Assent shall in all Cases, except as aforesaid, be as binding and conclusive as if done by all the said Trustees, or any Fifteen or more of them, any thing herein or in the said recited Acts, or either of them, to the contrary notwithstanding.

All Acts to be determined by a Majority.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That all Acts done in pursuance of this Act by the said Trustees at their General or other Meetings shall be determined by a Majority, and shall be valid if the Majority of Trustees present at such Meetings respectively concur therein; and that in all Cases where the Number shall be equal, the Chairman for the Time being, or the Person supplying his Place, shall have the casting Vote.

XXXV. And

For adjourning General Meetings in case a sufficient Number of Trustees do not attend.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That in case at any General or Public Meeting to be held by virtue of this Act a sufficient Number of Trustees shall not attend, the Secretary to the said Trustees for the Time being shall adjourn such Meeting to that Day Fortnight, and shall give Fourteen Days Notice thereof at least in the *London Gazette*, and so from Time to Time until a sufficient Number of Trustees shall attend to form a General or Public Meeting.

Accounts to be kept by the Trustees.

XXXVI. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall cause all the Receipts and Payments by virtue of this Act, and all their Proceedings relating to the Matters and Things in this Act contained, to be fairly written and entered into One or more Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, to which Book or Books all and every Persons and Person concerned and interested shall at seasonable Times have free Access, and shall have the Perusal and Inspection thereof *gratis*.

Annual Account to be settled according to the Regulations of the Act of 32 G. 3.

XXXVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Committee of Treasury for the Time being, and all other Persons having Accounts with the said Trustees for the Time being, relating to the Matters and Things in this Act contained or any of them, shall make and state their respective Accounts in such Manner as is directed by the said Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, relating to the Matters and Things in the same Act contained; and that such Accounts relating to the Matters and Things in this Act contained shall be examined, audited, settled, allowed, and approved, and transmitted to the Honourable the House of Commons, in such Manner, and at such Times, and under such Regulations as are or is provided and directed by the said Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, relating to the Accounts with the said Trustees therein mentioned.

This Act not to extend to King's Ships of War.

XXXVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act, or the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid, contained, shall extend or be construed to extend to His Majesty's Ships or Vessels of War, or to Ships or Vessels belonging to or in the Service of the Board of Ordnance, or of the Customs, Excise, or Post Office.

Trustees to take Security from Collectors, &c.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall take from the Collector or Collectors, Receiver or Receivers, of the Rate or Duty by this Act authorized and directed to be raised and levied, Security for answering and paying all and every Sum and Sums of Money which shall be by him or them respectively received, in such Manner as the said Trustees shall under their Hands and Seals from Time to Time order, direct, and appoint, and not otherwise; and also for his and their giving and making respectively true Accounts in Writing from Time to Time, when and so often as he or they respectively shall be ordered and required by the said Trustees so to do, of all Monies by him or them respectively received by virtue of this Act, and of all the Times of such Receipts, and of all such Monies by him or them respectively disbursed, and the Times of such Disbursements, and to whom and by what Order.

XL. And

Penalties imposed by this Act to be recovered in manner directed by the Acts of 32 & 37 G. 3.

XL. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures imposed or incurred by this Act shall be levied and recovered in such Manner, and subject to the like Rules and Regulations, as the Penalties and Forfeitures imposed or incurred by the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid are by the same Act, and by the said recited Act of the Thirty-seventh Year aforesaid, respectively directed and authorized to be levied and recovered, and are subject to.

Power to Trustees to employ and pay Collectors, &c.

XLI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to employ and hire, and to displace or remove, any Person or Persons as Collector or Collectors, Receiver or Receivers of the said Rate and Duty by this Act imposed, or as Clerk, Secretary, or Book-keeper in any Capacity whatsoever, and whom it shall be necessary or expedient to employ and hire for the Purpose of carrying this Act into Execution, and to pay and allow to such Persons respectively such Wages or Salaries, or other Allowances, as the said Trustees shall think fit; which Salaries, Wages, and Allowances shall be considered as Part of the Expences of the said Trustees, to be paid as in this Act mentioned.

Parties may appeal to Quarter Sessions.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Judgment given or pronounced, or other Act done by any Justice of the Peace, Mayor, Alderman, Bailiff, or other Magistrate, in execution of the Powers vested in him by this Act, then such Person or Persons may appeal to the next Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the Town, District, or Place in which such Justice of the Peace, Mayor, Alderman, Bailiff, or other Magistrate shall have Jurisdiction, such Appellant or Appellants first giving or causing to be given Twenty Days Notice at least in Writing of his, her, or their Intention to bring such Appeal, and of the Matter thereof, to the Secretary of the said Trustees for the Time being, and within Ten Days after such Notice entering into Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace or other Magistrate acting within such Jurisdiction, with sufficient Sureties, conditioned to try such Appeal, and to abide the Order of the Court, and to pay such Costs and Charges as shall be awarded by the Magistrates assembled at such Quarter Sessions; and the said Magistrates at such Sessions, upon due Proof of such Notice being given, and of the entering into such Recognizance as aforesaid, shall hear and finally determine the Cause and Matter of such Appeal in a summary Way, and award such Costs to the Party or Parties appealing or appealed against as they shall think proper; and the Determination of such Sessions shall be final and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes.

Application of Penalties.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That all Sums of Money arising from Fines, Penalties, or Forfeitures within this Act, or the said recited Act of the Thirty-second Year of His present Majesty, shall be paid to the said Committee of Treasury for the Time being, or to such Person or Persons as shall by them, or any Three or more of them, be in that Behalf authorized to receive the same, and shall go and be applied for the same Purposes as the Rates and Duties imposed by the said Act of the Thirty-second Year aforesaid are by the same Act directed to be applied.

XLIV. And

Distress not to be void for Irregularity.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That when any 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 Defect or Want of Form in any Proceedings relating thereto, nor shall the Party or Parties distraining be deemed a Trespasser *ab initio* on account of any Irregularity which shall afterwards be 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 an Action on the Case: Provided always, that no Plaintiff or Plaintiffs in any Action for such Irregularity, Trespass, or other Proceedings, if Tender of sufficient Amends shall be made by or on 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 be lawful for the Defendant or Defendants in any Action, by Leave of the Court where such Action shall be depending, at any Time before Issue joined, to pay into Court such Sum of Money as he or they shall judge fit; whereupon such Proceedings or Order and Judgment 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.

Proceedings not to be quashed for Want of Form.

XLV. And be it further enacted, That no Order which shall be made by any Justice or Justices by virtue or under Authority of this Act, or any other Proceedings to be had touching the Conviction or Convictions of any Offender or Offenders against this Act, shall be quashed or vacated for Want of Form only, or be removable by Certiorari, or any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*.

Limitation of Actions.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Action or Suit shall be commenced or prosecuted against any Person or Persons for any thing to be done in pursuance of this Act, or in relation to the Premises, then and in every such Case such Action or Suit shall be commenced within Six Calendar Months next after the Fact committed, and not afterwards, and shall be laid or brought in the County or Place where the Cause of Action shall arise, and not elsewhere; and the Defendant or Defendants in every such Action or Suit so to be brought shall and may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the Special Matter in Evidence at any Trial to be had thereupon, and that the same was done in pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if it shall appear to have been so done, or such Action or Actions shall be brought after the Time before limited for bringing the same, or shall be brought in any other County or Place, that then the Jury shall find a Verdict for the Defendant or Defendants; and upon such Verdict, or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall be nonsuited, or discontinue his, her, or their Action or Suit after the Defendant or Defendants shall have appeared, or if upon Demurrer Judgment shall be given against the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, the Defendant or Defendants shall and may recover Double Costs, and have the like Remedy for the same as any Defendant or Defendants hath or have for Costs of Suit in other Cases by Law.

Double Costs.

Public Act. XLVII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed, judged, and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and other Persons whatsoever, without specially pleading the same.

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