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Cap. i.

An Act for building a Church or Chapel of Ease within the Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford*, in the Parish of *Rothwell* in the West Riding of the County of *York*. [21st *March* 1827.]

WHEREAS the Parish of *Rothwell* in the West Riding of the County of *York* is very extensive, comprising Five several distinct Townships, of which the Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford* is one, and contains at present a Population of about Sixteen hundred Persons, and which Population is still increasing: And whereas the said Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford* is distant about a Mile and a Half from the Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid, which is the only Place of Worship belonging to the Established Church within the said Parish; and it would be of great Benefit to the Inhabitants of the said Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford* if a Church or Chapel of Ease were built within the said Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford*, for the Celebration of Divine Service according to the Rites and Usage of the Established Church: And whereas the said Parish is in the Diocese of *York*; and the Reverend *Ralph Henry Brandling* of *Middleton* in the Parish of *Rothwell* aforesaid, and also of *Gosforth* in the County of *Northumberland*, Clerk, is Patron of the Vicarage of the said Parish Church, and is also the present Vicar thereof: And whereas *John Blayds* of *Leeds* in the said County of *York*, Esquire, is desirous (with the Privity and Consent of the Most Reverend *Edward* Archbishop of *York*, and of the said *Ralph Henry Brandling*, as Patron and Vicar

of the said Vicarage as aforesaid,) of setting apart and appropriating certain Land, situate in *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford* aforesaid, of which he is seised in Fee Simple in Possession, for the Purpose of erecting, at his own Expence, a Church or Chapel of Ease, for the Celebration of Divine Worship according to the Rites and Usage of the Church of *England* as by Law established, and of making a Cemetery or Burial Ground thereto, and of securing a suitable Provision for the Minister of the said Church or Chapel, upon having the Patronage of the said Church or Chapel vested in him the said *John Blayds* in Fee, and certain other Privileges given to him, as herein-after mentioned: And whereas the desirable Object before mentioned cannot be carried into complete Effect 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 it shall be lawful for the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs or Assigns, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and empowered to erect and build, on any Part of any Land which he may set apart and appropriate for the Purpose, and of which he is seised in Fee Simple, in a substantial and workmanlike Manner, a Church or Chapel of Ease, of Dimensions sufficient to contain not less than Six hundred Sittings, and to convert the Remainder of such Land into a Cemetery or Burial Ground to the said Church or Chapel, for the Inhabitants of the Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford* aforesaid; and also to make, erect, and set up in the said Church or Chapel such Pews, Seats, Galleries, and Vestry, as shall be necessary, proper, and convenient; and also to hang up a Bell or Bells, and provide proper Communion Plate, and other Requisites, Ornaments, and Conveniences, in order that the said Church or Chapel may be properly fitted up and furnished for the Performance of Divine Worship therein according to the Rites and Usage of the Church of *England* as by Law established; and also to make Vaults under the Floor of the said Church or Chapel for the Interment of the Dead.

Mr. Blayds authorized to erect a Church, and make a Cemetery, for the Inhabitants of Oulton-cum-Woodlesford.

Church to be consecrated, and to be a perpetual Cure;

II. And be it further enacted, That the said Church or Chapel when so built and completed shall be set apart and dedicated to the Service of Almighty God, as a Place of Divine Worship, for ever, and shall be consecrated according to the Usage of the Church of *England*; and such Church or Chapel, from and immediately after the Dedication and Consecration thereof, shall be and the same is hereby declared to be a perpetual Cure and Benefice, and shall be called by the Name of "*Saint John's* Church in *Oulton*," for ever.

and to form a distinct Cure from the Parish Church.

III. And for preserving the said Church or Chapel at all Times hereafter an entire and distinct Cure and Benefice from the Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid, be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the Vicar for the Time being of the said Parish Church, or any other Person holding any Curacy or Lectureship within the said Parish of *Rothwell*, to be Minister of the said Church or Chapel of Ease.

IV. And

Patronage vested in Mr. Blayds, in fee.

IV. And be it further enacted, That from and immediately after the said Church or Chapel shall have been consecrated, the perpetual Advowson and the Right of Patronage, free Disposition, Nomination, and Presentation of, in, and to the said Church or Chapel of Ease shall for ever thereafter appertain to, and the same is and are hereby vested in the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, freed and absolutely discharged of all Estates, Rights, and Interests of the said *Ralph Henry Brandling* and his Successors for the Time being, Vicars of the Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid, and of all and every Person or Persons whomsoever claiming or to claim under him or them or any of them.

Free Sittings to be appropriated for the Use of the Poor of Oulton-cum-Woodlesford.

V. And be it further enacted, That the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs or Assigns, shall, and he and they is and are hereby required to set apart and appropriate in the said Church or Chapel such a Number of Sittings, for the gratuitous Accommodation of the Poor of the said Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford*, as shall be sufficient to accommodate not less than One hundred of such Poor.

Pews, &c. vested in Mr. Blayds, in fee.

VI. And be it further enacted, That all the Pews, Seats, and Galleries in the said Church or Chapel (save and except such Sittings as are hereby required to be set apart and appropriated for the Poor as aforesaid), and all the Vaults under the said Church or Chapel, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Graves not to be made within the Walls of the Church, except in the Vaults;

nor within Four Feet of the outer Walls.

VII. And be it further enacted, That no Grave or Burying Place shall be made within the Walls of the said Church or Chapel, but the same shall be made in the said Cemetery or Burial Ground, or in any Vaults which may be made under the said Church or Chapel; and no Corpse or dead Body shall be deposited in any such Vault unless the same shall be interred in a Coffin made of Lead; and in no case shall the Pews or Seats in the said Church or Chapel be taken up or removed for the Purpose of burying the Dead; nor shall any Grave or Burial Place be made in the said Cemetery or Burial Ground within the Distance of Four Feet of the outer Walls of the said Church or Chapel.

Provision for the Support of the Minister.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That for and towards the Support and Maintenance of the Minister of the said Church or Chapel, the said *John Blayds*, his Executors or Administrators, shall, previous to the Consecration thereof, purchase and transfer the Sum of Four thousand Pounds in the Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities, into the Names of the Most Reverend the Archbishop of *York*, the Very Reverend the Archdeacon of *York*, and the Reverend the Vicar of *Rothwell* aforesaid for the Time being, and their Successors for ever, in Trust to pay the Dividends thereof for ever to the Minister of the said Church or Chapel for the Time being; and in case of the Resignation or Death of any such Minister before the half-yearly Day of Payment of the said Dividends, to pay unto such Minister, or his Executors or Administrators, a proportionate Part of the said Dividends from the half-yearly Day of Payment

preceding such his Resignation or Death to the Day of his Resignation or Death (as the Case may be), and to the succeeding Minister the Residue of the said last-mentioned Dividends.

Minister's Duty.

IX. And be it further enacted, That the Minister of the said Church or Chapel shall, every *Sunday* Morning and Evening, read or cause to be read in such Church or Chapel the Prayers prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer or Public Liturgy of the Church of *England*; and shall also, every *Sunday* Morning and Evening, and on every *Christmas Day* and *Good Friday* in the Morning, after the Prayers, preach or cause to be preached a Sermon; and shall also administer or cause to be administered the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at least Six Times in the Year, namely, on *Christmas Day* and *Easter Sunday*, and on such other Four *Sundays* as he shall appoint, so that the Space of Time between such Administration may be as nearly equal as may conveniently be; and such Minister shall also administer private Baptism according to the Rubric of the Church of *England*, within the Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford*, whenever he shall be duly required so to do.

Marriages, &c. may be performed in the new Church.

X. And be it further enacted, That after the Consecration of the said Church or Chapel, Banns of Matrimony may be published and Marriages may be celebrated within the said Church or Chapel, provided the same be published and celebrated according to the Laws and Canons in force within this Realm in that Behalf; and all such Banns, and also all and every such Marriage and Marriages, as shall be duly published and celebrated in the said Church or Chapel as aforesaid, shall be as good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the same had been published and celebrated in the Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid; and it shall also be lawful to perform within the said Church or Chapel of Ease the following Offices of the Church of *England*, *videlicet*, Public Baptism, Baptism of such as are of riper Years, Confirmation, Burial of the Dead, and Churching of Women.

Notices solely relating to Oulton-cum-Woodlesford to be given in the new Church.

XI. And be it further enacted, That from and immediately after the Consecration of the said Church or Chapel as aforesaid, all and every Notice and Notices touching or concerning any Acts, Deeds, Matters, or Things whatsoever, solely relating or belonging to the aforesaid Township of *Oulton-cum-Woodlesford*, shall be and the same are hereby authorized and required to be given in the said Church or Chapel, and to be affixed to the principal Outer Door thereof, in such Manner and Form as the same would have been had they been given in the Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid, and affixed to the principal Door thereof; and all and every such Notice and Notices as shall be duly given in the said intended Church or Chapel of Ease, and affixed to the Door thereof as aforesaid, shall be as good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the same had been given in the Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid, and affixed to the Door thereof; any thing herein contained, or any Law or Custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

XII. And

Marriages, &c. to be registered.

XII. And be it further enacted, That all Marriages, Christenings, and Burials duly had and solemnized within the said Church or Chapel, shall be registered in public Register Books to be provided and kept for that Purpose, according to the Form prescribed by an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for amending the Laws respecting the Solemnization of Marriage in* England; and such Register Books shall be received in all Courts of Law and Equity as Evidence of such Marriages, Christenings, and Burials; and a Duplicate of such Register Book, being made up to the First Day of *March* in each and every Year, shall be annually transmitted by the Incumbent of the said Church or Chapel of Ease, to the Vicar for the Time being of the said Parish Church of *Rothwell*, to be by such Vicar deposited and kept, with the Register Books of the said Parish, in the Parish Chest in the said Parish Church; and the said Duplicate shall be open to the Inspection of all Persons entitled to inspect the Registers of the said Parish.

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Fees for Marriages, &c.

XIII. And in order that the erecting of the said Church or Chapel may not prejudice the Vicar of the said Parish Church of *Rothwell* for the Time being, or lessen his Revenues; be it further enacted, That there shall be paid to the Minister of the said Church or Chapel hereby authorized to be erected and built, for every Marriage, Burial, and Churching of Women, which may be performed in the said Church or Chapel, Double the Fees which are actually and of right ought to be paid for the Performance of such Services respectively at the Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid; and the Minister of the said Church or Chapel of Ease shall receive all such Double Fees, and keep an Account thereof, open to the Inspection of the said Vicar, and shall pay one Moiety thereof to the said Vicar, or his Agent appointed in that Behalf, by Two equal Payments in every Year, *videlicet*, on the First *Monday* after *Christmas Day* and *Midsummer Day* respectively, the First of such Payments to begin and be made on such of the said Days as shall happen next after the Consecration of the said Church or Chapel; and in case of the Nonpayment of such Moiety of such Fees, or of any Part thereof, within Fourteen Days next after either of the said Days of Payment, the same may be sued for and recovered from the said Minister, with full Costs of Suit, by the said Vicar, in the same Manner and by the same Ways and Means as any Surplice Fees due and payable at the said Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid can or may be recovered; or the same may be recovered by Action of Debt or on the Case in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*.

Minister to appoint Churchwarden and other Officers.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Minister for the Time being of the said Church or Chapel to appoint, from amongst the Proprietors or Renters of Pews, a proper Person to the Office of Churchwarden or Chapelwarden; and also to appoint proper Persons to the Offices of Questman or Sidesman, Clerk and Sexton, and Organist, (if an Organ shall be set up in the said Church or Chapel), and to such other Offices and Places as he shall think proper, and from Time to Time to remove or displace any such Officers, and to appoint others in their Stead, or in the Stead

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of any of them who shall die, or decline or neglect to perform, or shall become incapable of performing his Office.

Officers to be subject to Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.

XV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Churchwardens or Chapelwardens, Questmen or Sidesmen, Clerks and Sextons, to be appointed as aforesaid, shall be subject and liable to Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, in the same Manner as the Churchwardens, Questmen, Sidesmen, Clerks, and Sextons of the Parish Church of *Rothwell* aforesaid are subject and liable; and the said Church or Chapel of Ease, and the Minister and Churchwarden or Chapelwarden, and also the Lecturer (if any) thereof, shall be under and subject to the ordinary Jurisdiction of the Archbishop of *York*, and shall be visited in such Manner as other Churches within the Diocese of *York* are visited; and in case the said Cure or Benefice shall remain vacant for the Space of Six Calendar Months, without any Nomination of a proper Person within that Time made by the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs or Assigns, to be Minister thereof, then and in such Case the said Cure or Benefice shall lapse, and be subject to the Laws now in force respecting Benefices when Lapses thereof are incurred.

Keys of the Church to be kept by the Minister.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That the Keys of the said Church or Chapel shall from Time to Time be left in the Custody of and be kept by the Minister thereof for the Time being, or any Person whom he may appoint; and the Plate, Furniture, and Records belonging to such Church or Chapel of Ease shall be deposited and kept in the Vestryroom thereof, or in such other Place as the Minister and Churchwarden or Chapelwarden thereof for the Time being shall from Time to Time direct and appoint, in a strong Chest to be for that Purpose provided, with Two secure and different Locks and Keys, one of which Keys shall be kept by the said Minister, and the other by the said Churchwarden or Chapelwarden.

Pews to be numbered, and valued with reference to Pew Rates.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That all the Pews and Seats to be erected and set up in the said Church or Chapel, and in the Gallery or Galleries thereof, (save and except such Sittings as shall be so set apart and appropriated for the Use of the Poor as aforesaid), shall be marked with and distinguished by different Numbers or Figures, to be carved or painted on the Door or other conspicuous Part of each Pew and Seat respectively; and such Pews and Seats shall be valued immediately after the Consecration of the said Church or Chapel, by some Person to be appointed by the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs or Assigns, and such Valuation shall be reduced into Writing, and shall be signed by such Person making the same, and shall at all Times hereafter be referred to, adopted and abided by in any Rate to be made in pursuance of this Act.

Pew Rates to be made.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That the Person appointed to the said Office of Churchwarden or Chapelwarden of the said Church or Chapel as aforesaid, shall and may, and is hereby authorized and required, from Time to Time, as the same shall be found requisite or necessary, to make and assess, or cause to be made and assessed, a Rate

Rate sufficient to answer and pay the Expences herein-after mentioned, upon the Proprietors of such Pews or Seats in the said Church or Chapel as shall not be let or demised, and upon the Renters or Occupiers of such Pews or Seats as shall be let or demised, in equal Degrees, in proportion to the Value of such Pews or Seats respectively, as ascertained in the Manner herein-before directed; and to collect and receive every such Rate from such Proprietors, Renters, or Occupiers; and in case any such Proprietor, Renter, or Occupier, his, her, or their Executors or Administrators, shall neglect or refuse to pay the Rate so made and assessed on him, her, or them respectively, such Rates shall and may be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons liable to the Payment thereof, by virtue of a Warrant under the Hand and Seal of any Justice of the Peace for the West Riding of the County of *York*, returning the Overplus (if any), upon Demand, to the Owner or Owners of such Goods and Chattels, after deducting the reasonable Charges of such Distress and Sale.

Application of Pew Rates.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the said Churchwarden or Chapelwarden shall and he is hereby required, by and out of the Monies arising by such Rates, to provide Bread and Wine for the Holy Communion, and Books and Surplices for the Minister and Lecturer (if any), and to keep the Windows of such Church or Chapel whole and in good repair, and also the Inside of the said Church or Chapel at all Times in a clean, neat, and decent State, suitable for the solemn Celebration therein of Divine Worship; and also to defray the necessary Repairs from Time to Time of the Churchyard and the Fences thereof; and also to defray any Expence which may be incurred relative to the Sum of Four thousand Pounds Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities to be purchased as aforesaid, or the Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities to be purchased with the Sum of Two hundred Pounds as herein-after mentioned, and its Accumulation, or the Land to be purchased with a Part of such last-mentioned Annuities respectively, and also all other Expences incidental to the Purposes herein-before mentioned.

Fund to be provided for substantial Repairs.

XX. And be it further enacted, That within the Space of One Year after the Consecration of the said Church or Chapel, the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs or Assigns, shall, and he or they is and are hereby required to invest in the Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities, in the Names of the Most Reverend the Archbishop of *York*, the Very Reverend the Archdeacon of *York*, and the Reverend the Vicar of *Rothwell*, for the Time being, the Sum of Two hundred Pounds Sterling, the Dividends whereof shall from Time to Time accumulate and be added to the Principal, till the whole shall amount to the Sum of One thousand Pounds like Annuities, for providing a Fund for, and to be laid out and applied by the Minister and the Churchwarden or Chapelwarden for the Time being of the said Church or Chapel in the necessary Expences of supporting and keeping in repair the Roof, Main Walls and Timbers of the said Church or Chapel, and of any House which may be built for the Minister as herein-after mentioned, so that the same may at all Times be preserved in good Repair and Condition: Pro-

vided always, that in the Application of the said Sum of Money, such Sum shall never be reduced below the Sum of Six hundred Pounds like Annuities; and the said Sum of Six hundred Pounds, with all future Accumulations, shall, as soon as may conveniently be done, be laid out in the Purchase of Land, in the Names of the said Archbishop, Archdeacon, and Vicar for the Time being, and their Successors for ever, for the Purpose of applying the Rents and Profits thereof as a perpetual Provision for such last-mentioned Repairs and Expences, and also for enlarging, beautifying, or improving the said Church or Chapel, as shall appear proper to the said Minister and Churchwarden or Chapelwarden thereof for the Time being.

Lands may be held for the Purposes of the new Church.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs and Assigns, or the Minister for the Time being of the said Church or Chapel, and he and they is and are hereby authorized and empowered, at any Time or Times, to give, accept, purchase, take, or hold in perpetuity any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, not exceeding in the whole the yearly Value of Two hundred Pounds (exclusive of the Provision hereby authorized and directed to be made for the said Minister), for the Augmentation of the Salary of the said Minister, or for the Endowment of the said Church or Chapel, or for providing the Site of a House for the Residence of the said Minister, or for opening or making any additional Roads or Avenues to the said Church or Chapel, or for supporting and maintaining, repairing or otherwise improving the said Church or Chapel, and the Roads or Avenues thereto, or the Minister's House, or for any other the Purposes of this Act; the Statute of Mortmain, or any other Law or Statute to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Residence for Minister may be provided.

XXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That notwithstanding any thing herein-before contained, it shall be lawful for the said *John Blayds*, his Heirs and Assigns, to erect and build on the said Piece of Land to be by him or them set apart and appropriated as aforesaid, or on the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments to be purchased by him or them, or by the Minister of the said Church or Chapel for the Time being, for the Purposes aforesaid, or to be accepted, taken, or held in perpetuity as aforesaid, a House for the Residence of the Minister of the said Church or Chapel for the Time being, and also a Schoolhouse or Rooms for the Instruction of Children and Youth of both Sexes.

Appeal.

XXIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Person shall think himself or herself aggrieved by any Rate, or by any Matter or Thing made or done in pursuance of this Act, such Person may appeal to the Justices of the Peace at the First General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the West Riding of the County of *York* next after the Expiration of Three Calendar Months from the Time wherein such Cause of Appeal shall have arisen, the Person or Persons appealing having first given Twenty-one Days Notice at least of his, her, or their Intention to bring such Appeal, and of the Matter thereof, to the Churchwarden or Chapelwarden of the said Church or Chapel, and within Ten Days after

such Notice entering into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace of the said West Riding, with sufficient Sureties, conditioned to try such Appeal, and abide the Order or Award of the said Justices thereon; and the said Justices, upon due Proof of such Notice and Recognizance having been given and entered into, are hereby authorized and required to hear and determine the Matter of such Appeal in a summary Way, and to make such Order thereon, and to award such Costs to either of the Parties, or otherwise, as they the said Justices shall think proper; and the said Justices may also order such further Satisfaction to be made to the Party injured as they shall judge reasonable; and all such Orders and Determinations of the said Justices shall be final, binding, and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever: Provided always, that upon any Appeal from any Rate or Assessment to be made in pursuance of this Act, the Justices of the Peace, at their General or Quarter Sessions to which such Appeal shall be made, may either set aside the same, and order a new Rate or Assessment to be made, or may alter and amend any such Rate or Assessment in such Manner as they shall think necessary for giving Relief to any Party aggrieved, without quashing or setting aside the whole Rate.

Limitation of Actions.

XXIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Action or Suit shall be commenced against any Person for any thing done in pursuance of this Act, after the Expiration of Six Calendar Months next after the Fact committed, or after Satisfaction made or tendered; and every such Action or Suit shall be brought and tried in the County within which the Cause of Action shall have arisen, and not elsewhere; and if any such Action or Suit shall be brought before Twenty-one Days Notice shall have been given, or after sufficient Satisfaction made and tendered as aforesaid, or after the Time limited for bringing the same as aforesaid, or within any other County than as aforesaid, then and in every such Case 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, then and in every such Case the Defendant or Defendants shall recover Treble Costs, and shall have such Remedy for recovering the same as any Defendant hath for Costs of Suit in other Cases of Law.

Townships within the Parish of Rothwell not to be liable to the Repairs of the new Church.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to charge any Township or District within the Parish of *Rothwell* aforesaid, or any Lands or Tenements, or Inhabitants thereof respectively, with any Sum or Sums of Money, Duty or Demand whatsoever, for or towards the Repair or Support of the said Church or Chapel of Ease, or any Act, Matter, or Thing in anywise relating thereto.

Saving Rights of the Vicar of Rothwell.

XXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to the making or creating any new Parish, or to the altering of any Rights or Privileges belonging to the said Vicar for the Time being of the said Parish of *Rothwell*, or of any Tithes or any other Ecclesiastical Dues

Dues or Payments, or any Rates, Assessments, or other Payments whatsoever due to the said Vicar; or to prejudice, impeach, or defeat the Right, Title, Interest, Claim, or Demand of the said Vicar, of, in, or to any Tithes, Offerings, Oblations, Obventions, or other Ecclesiastical Rights, Dues, Benefits, or Advantages arising within the same Parish, and belonging to the said Vicar for the Time being (save the Right of Patronage, Nomination, and Presentation to the said Church or Chapel of Ease, as herein before provided), but the same shall remain and belong to and shall be paid and payable to the said Vicar and his Successors, in the same Manner as they would or ought to have been in case this Act had not been passed.

General Saving.

XXVII. Saving always to the King's most Excellent Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and to all and every other Person and Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, his, her, and their Heirs, Successors, Executors, and Administrators (other than and except in the Cases provided for by this Act), all such Estates, Rights, Titles, and Interests as they, every or any of them, had and enjoyed before the passing of this Act, or could or might have had and enjoyed in case this Act had not been passed.

Public Act.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others, without being specially pleaded.

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