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GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. 79.

An Act for better paving, repairing, cleanſing, lighting, and watching the ſeveral Streets and other public Paſſages and Places within the Town and Franchiſe of *Swanſea*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, and for removing and preventing Nuiſances, Annoyances, and Obſtructions therein. [20th *May* 1809.]

WHEREAS the Streets, Ways, Lanes, and other Public Paſſages and Places in the Town of *Swanſea*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, are not properly paved, repaired, cleanſed, lighted, or watched, and are ſubject to various Encroachments, Nuiſances, and Annoyances, and are very incommodious and unſafe for Paſſengers and Travellers, and it would be a great Benefit and Convenience for the Inhabitants of the ſaid Town, and to all Perſons reſorting thereto, if the ſaid Streets, Ways, Lanes, and other public Paſſages and Places were properly paved, repaired, cleanſed, lighted, and watched, and if Encroachments, Nuiſances, and Annoyances were removed and prevented for the future: But the ſame cannot be effected 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 the Portreeve and Recorder of *Swanſea*, the Steward of the Duke of *Beaufort*, all for the Time being, Commiſſioners. *William Arthur*, *William Arthur* Junior, *Harland Ainſworth*, *Miles Baſſett* Clerk, *Thomas Biggs*, *Job Burrall*, *Thomas Bowen*, *James Bevan*, *Francis Braine*, *Jenkin Davies Berrington*, *Charles Collins*, *John Charles Collins*, *John Clarke*, *James Coke*, *Lewis Weſton Dillwyn*, *John*

John Diamond, *Rhys Davies*, *John Davies*, *David Davies*, *Morgan Thomas Davies*, *James Dalton*, *John Edmonds*, *Phillip Elliot* M. D., *Robert Eaton*, *John Eaton*, *John Evans*, *John Flexman*, *Benjamin French*, *David Francis*, *Thomas Francis*, *William Grove*, *John Grove*, *Thomas Grove*, *John Grant*, *David Griffiths*, *Henry Griffiths*, *George Haynes*, *George Haynes* Junior, *George Hanson*, *Edward Hughes*, *William Heard*, *John Howell*, *Thomas Howell*, *Robert Harwood*, *Thomas Hobbs* M. D., *George Hazell*, *Samuel Hancorn*, *Francis Hancorn*, *Daniel Harris*, *Benjamin Jones* Clerk, *Calvert Richard Jones*, *John Jones* R. N., *George Jones* R. N., *Stephen Jones*, *William Jeffreys*, *Gabriel Jeffreys*, *John Jeffreys*, *John James*, *Thomas Jenkins*, *Richard Jones* R. N., *William Jones*, *Rees Jones*, *James Jelf*, *Samuel Jenkins*, *Lewis Pryce Jones*, *Thomas Jones*, *Daniel Jones*, *Edward King*, *John Llewellyn*, *David Long*, *Simon Llewellyn*, Sir *John Morris* Baronet, *John Morris*, *Thomas Morris*, *Richard Morgan*, *Levi Michael*, *Jacob Michael*, *William Macdonald*, *Thomas Morgan*, *John Williams Mansfield*, *Edward Martin*, *Thomas New* R. N., *Thomas Powell* Clerk, Sir *Gabriel Powell*, *Henry Sharpe Pocklington*, *Silvanus Padley*, *David Perrott*, *Henry Perrott*, *William Phillips*, *Rowland Pritchard*, *Rowland Pritchard* Junior, *Allen Page*, *John Reynolds*, *James Radcliffe*, *George Rees*, *John Rogers*, *Charles Smith*, *William Spencer*, *John Stroud*, *David Saunders*, *James Simpson*, *Thomas Silvester*, *William Slane*, *Iltid Thomas* Clerk, *William Turton* M. D., *Robert Nelson Thomas*, *T. Edward Thomas*, *David Tennant*, *William Vaughan*, *John Voss*, *Rees Williams*, *Michael Williams*, *John Williams*, *Thomas Williams*, *Hugh Powell Watkins*, and *John Williams*, Tanner, shall and are hereby appointed Commissioners for putting this Act into be Execution.

Meetings. II. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners, or any Five or more of them, shall and are hereby required to meet at the *Guildhall* in the said Town on the third *Wednesday* after the passing of this Act, and afterwards on the first *Wednesday* in every Month, at the Hour of Twelve at the same Place, in order to put this Act into Execution; and that a Chairman shall and may be appointed at every such Meeting, and in all Cases wherein any Difference of Opinion shall arise, the Question shall be decided by the Ballot of such of the said Commissioners as shall be present, in case such Ballot shall be demanded by either of the said Commissioners; and in case of an equal Number of Votes on any Question (including the Chairman's Vote) the Chairman shall have the casting Vote; and that the said Commissioners shall at all their Meetings defray their own Expences.

Vacancies, III. And be it further enacted, That as often as any of the Commissioners hereby appointed or to be appointed as herein-after mentioned, shall die, or refuse or neglect to act for the Space of Three Years, in the Execution of this Act, or shall become disqualified from acting as a Commissioner by virtue of this Act, then, and so often, it shall be lawful for the surviving or remaining Commissioners under this Act, or any Five or more of them, from Time to Time, whenever they shall think proper, to nominate and appoint another Person to be a Commissioner in the Room of every such Commissioner dying, refusing, or so neglecting to act, or becoming disquafied as aforesaid; Notice of the Meeting for electing every Commissioner being given upon the Door of the Church of *Saint Mary*, in the said Town, at least Eight Days before such

ſuch Election; and every Commiſſioner hereafter ſo elected and appointed, ſhall have the ſame Powers and Authorities for putting this Act into Execution, as if he had been named a Commiſſioner in and by this Act.

Qualification of Commiſſioners.

IV. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That no Perſon ſhall be capable of acting as a Commiſſioner in the Execution of this Act, (except in adminiſtering the Oath or Affirmation herein-after directed to be taken by the ſaid Commiſſioners), unleſs he ſhall be in his own Right, or in Right of his Wife, in the actual Enjoyment of the Rents and Profits of a Freehold Eſtate, of the clear yearly Value of Fifty Pounds above Reprizes, ſituate in the Town of *Swanſea* aforeſaid, or ſhall be Heir apparent of ſome Perſon having a like Eſtate of the clear Yearly Value of One hundred Pounds, ſituate as aforeſaid, or being an Inhabitant or Reſident in the Town, and having occupied a Dwelling-Houſe for one Year immediately preceding the paſſing of this Act, or of his being elected by virtue of this Act, to be a Commiſſioner in the Room of any Commiſſioner dying, refuſing, neglecting to act, or becoming diſqualified as aforeſaid, of the annual Value of Fifty Pounds, or being an Inhabitant or Reſident within the ſaid Town, and occupying any Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments within the ſame, of the annual Value of Twenty Pounds, and poſſeſſing Two thouſand Pounds in real or perſonal Property, of whatever Nature the ſame may be, or wherever ſituate; nor unleſs he ſhall at the firſt Meeting of Commiſſioners to be held in purſuance of this Act, or in Failure thereof, at ſome other Meeting next preceding the Meeting he ſhall act as a Commiſſioner under this Act, deliver in or cauſe to be delivered in, a Certificate in Writing, ſigned by him, expreſſing the Nature of his Qualification, and the Particulars thereof, which Certificate ſhall be kept and filed by the Clerk to the ſaid Commiſſioners, and an Entry made by ſuch Clerk, of ſuch Names and Qualifications, and the Time when delivered, nor until he ſhall have taken and ſubſcribed an Oath or Affirmation to the Effect following (which Oath or Affirmation any One of the ſaid Commiſſioners is hereby empowered to adminiſter); that is to ſay,

'I *A. B.* do ſwear (*or being a Quaker*, I do ſolemnly affirm,) that I do believe in my Conſcience that I am rightly, truly, and *bonâ fide* qualified to act as a Commiſſioner for putting into Execution an Act paſſed in the Forty-ninth Year of King *George* the Third, intituled, [*ſet forth the Title of this Act*,] according to ſome or one of the Qualifications required of ſuch Commiſſioners by the ſaid Act.

'So help me GOD.'

And if any Perſon hereby deemed unqualified, or incapable to act, ſhall nevertheleſs preſume to act in the Execution of this Act, every ſuch Perſon ſhall for every ſuch Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds, together with full Coſts of Suit to any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall firſt ſue and proſecute for the ſame, to be recovered in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record by Action of Debt, or on the Caſe, or by Bill, Suit, or Information, wherein no Eſſoign, Protection, or Wager at Law, nor more than one Imparlance ſhall be allowed; and every Perſon ſo ſued or proſecuted ſhall prove that he was qualified as aforeſaid at the Time of his acting as a Commiſſioner, or otherwiſe ſhall pay the ſaid Penalty, without any other Proof or Evidence being given on the

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Part of the Plaintiff or Profecutor than that fuch Perfon had acted as a Commiffioner in the Execution of this Act.

No Commiffioner to act holding any Office of Profit, or concerned in any Contract under the Act.

V. Provided alfo and be it further enacted, That no Perfon fhall be capable of acting as a Commiffioner under this Act who is a Victualler, or fhall fell Ale, Wine, Cyder, or any Spirituous Liquors by Retail, or during the Time he fhall enjoy any Office of Profit, or be concerned directly or indirectly in any Contract made by virtue of this Act, upon Pain of forfeiting the Sum of Fifty Pounds for each Time of fuch acting, to be recovered and applied with full Coffs of Suit as aforefaid; but fuch Commiffioners as are Juftices of the Peace may nevertheleſs act as fuch in the Execution of this Act, except in Cafes where they are perfonally intereſted: And that all the Powers and Authorities by this Act granted to or veſted in the faid Commiffioners hereby conſtituted, fhall and may from Time to Time be exercifed by the major Part of them who fhall attend any Public Meeting to be holden as herein mentioned, the Number of Commiffioners preſent at any fuch Meeting not being leſs than Five; and that all the Orders and Proceedings of the major Part of the Commiffioners preſent at fuch Meetings fhall have the fame Force and Effect as if done or made by all the Commiffioners conſtituted by this Act; and that no Act, Order, or Determination of the faid Commiffioners fhall be valid, unleſs done or made at a Public Meeting held by virtue of this Act; and that all the Acts, Orders, and Proceedings of the Commiffioners fhall be entered in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpoſe, and figned by the Chairman, and the Book or Books fo figned fhall be depoſited with the Clerk of the faid Commiffioners to be produced or ready for Production at all and every the faid Meetings; and all fuch Acts, Orders, and Determinations fo entered fhall be deemed and taken to be Originals, and fuch Book or Books fhall and may be produced and read in Evidence, and allowed as fuch in all Courts of Juſtice whatſoever, and the fame fhall at all ſeaſonable Times be open to the Inſpection of all Perſons intereſted; and that any Action which fhall or may be brought by or againſt the faid Commiffioners or any of them, for any Thing touching or relating to the Execution of the Purpoſes of this Act, fhall be brought or inſtituted in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record, in the Name of the Clerk or Treaſurer to the faid Commiffioners; and that no fuch Action fhall abate or be diſcontinued by the Death or Removal of fuch Clerk or Treaſurer; but the Clerk or Treaſurer for the Time being to the faid Commiffioners fhall be deemed the Plaintiff or Defendant in fuch Action, as the Caſe fhall be.

Commiffioners may act as Juſtices.

Number required to act.

No Act valid but at a Meeting. Proceedings to be recorded.

In whoſe Names Actions may be brought.

How Orders may be revoked.

VI. And be it further enacted, That no Order made by the faid Commiſſioners at any of their Meetings fhall be revoked or altered, unleſs at ſome Meeting to be held for that Purpoſe (of which Eight Days Notice fhall be given as aforeſaid, therein expreſſing ſuch propoſed Revocation or Alteration); and alſo unleſs a greater Number of Commiffioners than were preſent to make ſuch Order fhall attend, and vote at ſuch Meeting to revoke and alter the ſame, ſuch greater Number conſiſting of Nine Commiffioners at the leaſt.

Power to elect Officers.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the faid Commiffioners fhall, and they are hereby authorized and required, by Writing under their Hands,

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to elect, appoint, and employ such Clerks, Treasurers, and Collectors of the Rates or Assessments to be made by virtue of this Act, and also such Surveyors, Paviours, Scavengers, and other Officers and Persons for the Execution of this Act, as they shall from Time to Time think proper; and any such Clerks, Treasurers, Collectors, Surveyors, Paviours, Scavengers, and other Officers and Persons from Time to Time to remove or displace as they shall think fit, and to choose and appoint others in the Room of such of them as shall be so removed, or shall die, or resign their Office, Eight Days Notice being first given as aforesaid of such Removal, Death, or Resignation, and of the Time and Place of Meeting for filling up the Vacancy or Vacancies thereby occasioned: And the said Commissioners may, and are hereby authorised and empowered by and out of the Monies to be raised and received by virtue of this Act, to annex and pay such Salaries or Allowances to such Officers, and to all other Persons by the said Commissioners to be employed in the Execution of this Act, as they shall think reasonable: And the said Commissioners shall, and are hereby required to take such Security from their Clerk, Treasurer, and other Officers, for the due Execution of their respective Offices, as the said Commissioners shall think proper; and all such Officers and Persons so to be appointed as aforesaid, shall, upon Demand of the said Commissioners, duly account to them, upon Oath, for all Monies which shall come to his or their Hands, and touching the several Matters and Things to be committed to their Charge by Virtue of this Act, and also shall, upon Demand of the said Commissioners, pay and deliver over to their Treasurer for the Time being, all the Monies appearing upon the Balance of such Accounts, together with the Vouchers in support of such Accounts, and also the Books, Papers, and Writings in their respective Custody or Power, relating to the Proceedings to be had under this Act, and in Default thereof for the Space of Thirty Days after such Demand made as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to commence and prosecute an Action against any Person making such Default, for the Recovery of the Monies that shall be in the Hands of such Person, with Costs of Suit; or if Complaint shall be made by the said Commissioners, or by such Person or Persons as shall be appointed by them for that Purpose, of any such Default as aforesaid, to any Justice of the Peace for the County or Place wherein the Party so making Default shall reside or be, such Justice is hereby authorised and required by Warrant to cause the Person or Persons so making Default, to be brought before him, and upon his appearing, or not appearing, to hear and determine the Matter in a summary Way, and if upon the Confession of the Party, or by the Testimony of any credible Witness upon Oath, it shall appear to such Justice that any of the Monies that shall have been collected or raised by virtue of this Act shall be in the Hands of such Person or Persons, such Justice is hereby authorised and required to cause by Warrant such Monies to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Person or Persons offending as aforesaid, and if no such Goods and Chattels can be found sufficient to satisfy such Monies, and the Charges of distraining and selling the same, or in case of Refusal to account as aforesaid, or that it shall appear to such Justice by the Confession of the Party so offending, or by the Testimony of any credible Witness upon Oath, that any Books, Papers, or Writings relating to the Execution of this Act shall be in the Custody or Power of any such Person, and he shall refuse to deliver up the same as aforesaid,

Treasurer and other Officers to give Security.

To account.

in either of the ſaid Caſes ſuch Juſtice ſhall commit every ſuch Offender to the Common Gaol or Houſe of Correction of the County or Place where ſuch Offender ſhall reſide or be, there to remain until he ſhall give a true and perfect Account, and make Payment as aforeſaid, or until he ſhall compound with the ſaid Commiſſioners in ſuch Manner as they ſhall think fit, and until he ſhall deliver up ſuch Books, Papers, and Writings as aforeſaid, or give Satisfaction in reſpect thereof: Provided always that no Perſon ſo committed for Want of ſufficient Diſtreſs, ſhall be confined or detained in Priſon by Virtue of this Act for any longer Space of Time than Six Calendar Months.

Penalty on Officers miſbehaving.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Treaſurer, Clerk, Collector, Surveyor, or other Officer or Perſon who ſhall or may hereafter be appointed by the ſaid Commiſſioners in the Execution of this Act, ſhall exact, demand, or wilfully take any Fee or Reward whatſoever, other than ſuch Salaries and Reward as ſhall be appointed and allowed by ſuch Commiſſioners as aforeſaid, on account of any Thing ordered or directed by the Commiſſioners for putting this Act into Execution, or on any Account whatſoever relating to the Execution thereof, or ſhall any way be concerned or intereſted in any Bargain made or to be made by ſuch Commiſſioners, or any of them, for any of the Purpoſes intended to be executed by virtue of this Act, every Perſon ſo offending ſhall for ever be incapable of being employed under this Act, and ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds to any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall ſue for the ſame by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record within Six Calendar Months next after the Offence committed, with full Coſts of Suit, wherein no Protection, Eſſoign, nor Wager of Law, or more than one Imparlance, ſhall be allowed.

Pavement, &c. veſted in Commiſſioners.

IX. And in order that the Streets, Lanes, and other Public Paſſages and Places within the ſaid Town and Franchiſe may be properly paved, repaired, lighted, cleanſed, and watched, be it further enacted, That from and immediately after the paſſing of this Act the Property of and in all the preſent and future Pavements in the Streets, Lanes, and other Public Paſſages and Places within the ſaid Town, as well in the Foot Ways as Carriage Ways, and of all Materials, Implements, Watch-houſes, Stands, Lamp-Irons, Poſts, and other Things which ſhall be provided for the Purpoſes of this Act, and all the Soil, Dung, Manure, and Dirt which ſhall ariſe or be made in any of the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places, and of all Aſhes, Cinders, Dirt, and Rubbiſh to be taken and carried away from the Houſes in the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places, ſhall belong to, and be the Property of, and the ſame are hereby veſted in the ſaid Commiſſioners, and they are hereby authorized to bring, or cauſe to be brought, any Action, or to prefer any Bill of Indictment, as the Caſe ſhall require, againſt any Perſon or Perſons whomſoever who ſhall ſteal, take, or carry away, detain, ſpoil, injure, or deſtroy any of the Matters or Things herein ſo mentioned and veſted, or any Part or Parts thereof; and the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall have full Power and Authority to ſell or diſpoſe of all or any Part of the old Pavement and other Materials, and ſuch Soil, Manure, Dirt, Aſhes, Cinders, and Rubbiſh as they ſhall take and carry away as aforeſaid.

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New Pavement to be made.

X. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to new pitch and pave any of the Streets, Lanes, Highways, Foot Paths, Public Paſſages, and Places in the ſaid Town, and from Time to Time, when and as often as they ſhall think proper to cauſe all or any of the preſent or future Pavements in the ſeveral Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places in the ſaid Town, already erected or made, or which ſhall hereafter be erected or made in the ſaid Town, both in the Carriage and Footways, to be taken up, raiſed, lowered, altered, relaid, pitched, paved, or repaired in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Commiſſioners may think proper, provided that ſufficient Footways in the ſaid ſeveral Streets and Places where the ſame can properly be ſet out and left, ſhall be laid with a Pavement of Flag Stones, and the Remainder of the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places ſhall be paved with good Pebbles, Quarry Stones, Lime Stones, or other good and laſting Materials as they ſhall judge neceſſary and proper; and alſo to cauſe the ſaid ſeveral Streets, Lanes, Paſſages and Places within the ſaid Town, to be cleanſed, and all Annoyances, Obſtructions, Nuiſances, and Encroachments therein, to be removed, and the preſent Drains, Sinks, Gutters, and Watercourſes for conveying the Water off, and from the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places to be amended, repaired, cleanſed, and ſcoured, and new ones to be made in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall think proper.

Pavement, if altered, to be re-inſtated on Notice.

XI. And be it further enacted, that if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall, at any Time hereafter, without the Conſent or Approbation of the ſaid Commiſſioners, make or cauſe to be made any Alteration in the Form of the Pavement of any Street, Lane, public Paſſage, or Place by this Act directed to be paved or repaired, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall, at his or their own Expence, (within Five Days after Notice given for that Purpoſe by the ſaid Commiſſioners, or their Clerk or Surveyor,) put the Pavement which ſhall have been ſo altered into the ſame Form and Condition as it was on or before making ſuch Alteration; and in caſe of Neglect or Refuſal ſo to do, then the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall and may cauſe the ſame to be done, and the Expence and Charges thereof ſhall be borne and defrayed by the Perſon or Perſons ſo neglecting or refuſing, the ſame to be recovered (in caſe of Nonpayment thereof upon Demand) in like Manner as any Penalty is hereinafter authorized or directed to be recovered.

Defects of Repairs to be amended upon Notice from five Houſekeepers.

XII. And be it further enacted, That if any Five Houſeholders within the ſaid Town, ſhall make Complaint in Writing, under their Hands, to the ſaid Commiſſioners, or their Clerk or Surveyor, of any Defect or Want of Reparation in any of the Pavements which ſhall have been made, laid, or repaired by virtue of this Act, then, and in every ſuch Caſe, the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall forthwith cauſe the Pavements ſo complained of to be inſpected, and if the ſame ſhall be found defective or in Want of Repair, and ſhall be ſo reported to them, then they ſhall forthwith cauſe the ſame to be repaired by their Paviour, or the Perſon contracting with them for repairing the Pavement complained of, and if the Paviour or Contractor to whom ſuch Order ſhall be given, ſhall not, within Five Days next after the Receipt thereof, repair the ſaid defective Pavement, he ſhall forfeit and pay to the Perſons making Complaint as aforeſaid, the Sum of Ten Shillings for every Day that the ſaid defective Pave-

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ment shall remain unrepaired, after the Expiration of the said Five Days.

Inhabitants to clean before their Houses.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That all Persons inhabiting within the said Town, shall, from and after the third *Wednesday* after the passing of this Act, cause the Foot-paths before, or on the Sides of their respective Houses, Buildings, and Walls, and other Fences, to be swept and cleansed between the Hours of Six and Nine in the Morning, twice or oftener in every Week, as the said Commissioners shall, from Time to Time, order and require, at all Times hereafter throughout the Year, and also cause the Dirt and Soil arising from such Sweeping and Cleansing to be immediately taken or carried away, or laid in the said Streets, Lanes, public Passages, and Places, near to the said Foot-paths, without obstructing the Way or Road; and every Person making default herein, shall, for every such Default, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Shillings.

Occupiers of Houses to reform Signs, &c.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That the respective Occupiers of Houses and other Buildings within the several Streets and other Places to be paved, cleansed, and lighted, by virtue of this Act, shall, at their own Costs and Charges, within such Time and in such Manner as the said Commissioners shall, from Time to Time, by Notice in Writing under the Hand of the Clerk, to be delivered to such Occupiers, or left at their respective dwelling Houses, direct and appoint, cause all Signs and Shew Boards which now, or hereafter shall belong to, or be fixed up, near, or against such respective Houses or other Buildings as aforesaid, to be fixed or placed flat on the Fronts thereof; and all Signs, Irons, Sign Posts, Barbers' Poles, and other Posts, Penthouses, Porches, Sheds, Butchers' Hooks, (except during the Time of their being used,) Spouts, Water-pipes, Steps, Bars or projecting Windows, Blinds and Cellar Windows, Doors, Hatchways, and other Encroachments, Obstructions, Projections, and Annoyances which now, or hereafter shall belong to such respective Houses or other Buildings, to be removed, altered, or otherwise reformed, and also to cause the Water to be conveyed from the Roofs, Cornices, and Penthouses of, or belonging to, such respective Houses or other Buildings, by proper and sufficient Pipes or Trunks, to be fixed to the Sides of such Houses and other Buildings respectively, in such Manner as the said Commissioners, by Writing signed by their Clerk, shall direct; and in case the Occupier of any such House or other Building, as aforesaid, shall neglect or refuse to cause any such Sign, or Sign Iron, Sign Post or other Post, Penthouse, Spout, Water-Pipe, Step, Porch, Shed, Butchers' Hooks, Bars or Window Blind, Cellar Window, Door, Hatchway, or other Incroachment, Obstruction, Projection or Annoyance, as aforesaid, to be removed, altered, or reformed, or to cause the Water to be conveyed from the Roofs, Cornices, or Penthouses, of or belonging to such House or other Building, within such Time, and in such Manner as in such Notice shall be expressed, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners to cause the same to be done, and to cause the Costs and Charges attending the same to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Occupier so neglecting or refusing; and if the Tenant of any such House or other Building shall remove, alter, or reform any such Incroachments, Obstructions, or Annoyances as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for him or her to deduct and retain the Charges and Expences

pences thereof, and alſo any Money which ſhall or may be levied upon his or her Goods and Chattels as aforeſaid, out of his or her Rent, and the Owner, Proprietor, or Landlord of every ſuch Houſe, or other Building, is hereby required to allow the ſame accordingly: Provided always, That in caſe any Houſe Steps ſhall be taken down, altered or removed under this Act, the ſame ſhall be ſo taken down, altered or removed, at the Coſt and Expence of the ſaid Commiſſioners, to be paid for out of the Funds granted and eſtabliſhed for the Purpoſe of this Act.

Penalty for Naiſances.

XV. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon ſhall wilfully run, drive, carry, or place on any of the Footways, paved or repaired by virtue of this Act, within the ſaid Town, any Wheel, Sledge, Dray, Wheelbarrow, Handbarrow, Truck or Carriage, or ſhall roll any Caſk, or drag any Timber or Log of Wood along or upon, or wilfully ride, drive, or lead any Horſe or other Beaſt or Cattle on any of the Foot-ways paved or repaired as aforeſaid, or wilfully break or damage the ſaid Pavement or Pitching, or ſhall kill, ſlaughter, ſinge, ſcald, dreſs, or cut up any Beaſt, Swine, Calf, Sheep, Lamb, or other Cattle; or hoop, cleanſe, waſh, or ſcald, any Caſk, or hew or ſaw any Stone, Wood, or Timber, or bind, make or repair the Wheel of any Carriage, or ſhoe, bleed, dreſs, or farry any Horſe or other Beaſt, or Cattle, except in Caſes of Accident, or keep any Swine in any of the ſaid Streets, Paſſages, or Places, or if the Occupier of any Houſe, Cellar, or other Tenement within the ſaid Town, ſhall ſuffer any Door or Hatchway, leading into or giving Light to any Kitchen, Cellar, or other Place to be left open, or ſhall ſet, place, or expoſe to Sale, or cauſe to be ſet, placed, or expoſed to Sale any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize, whether on the Foot-ways or Carriage-ways of any of the ſaid Streets, or other public Paſſages or Places, (except on *Saturdays* and Fair Days,) or hang up or expoſe to Sale any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize, or any other Thing, upon any Flap Window, or otherwiſe, ſo as to obſtruct or incommode the Paſſage of any Foot-way or Carriage-way, or ſhall wilfully diſcharge any Muſket or Piſtol in any Foot or Carriage Way, or ſhall make or aſſiſt in the making any Fire or Fires commonly called Bonfires, or ſhall ſet fire to or let off or throw any Squib, Serpent, Rocket, Cracker, or other Firework whatſoever therein, or if at any Time hereafter any Perſon or Perſons ſhall ſuffer any Waggon, Cart, Dray, or other Carriage to ſtand or remain in any public Street, Way, Lane, or other Paſſage or Place within the ſaid Town, with or without Horſes or other Cattle, for any longer Time than ſhall be neceſſary for the loading or unloading thereof, or ſuffer any Coach, Poſt-chaiſe, or other Carriage to ſtand or remain in any ſuch public Street, Way, Lane, or other Paſſage or Place, with or without Horſes for any longer Time than ſhall be neceſſary for taking up, ſetting down, or waiting for the Perſon or Perſons belonging thereunto, or for loading or unloading their Baggage, or ſuffer any Horſe, Beaſt, or other Cattle or Swine to wander or be looſe and unattended in or about any of the ſaid Streets, Ways, Public Paſſages or Places, or ſuffer any Timber, Bricks, Stones, Slates, Aſhes, Rubbiſh, Lime, Mortar, Dung, Duſt, Filth, Hay, Straw, Coal, Wood, Faggots, Furze, Fern, Hurdles, Boards, Blocks, Goods, Wares, Merchandize, or other Things to be laid or placed, and left to remain in any of the ſaid Streets, Ways, Lanes, or other Public Paſſages or Places during the Night, or for any longer Time

than ſhall be neceſſary for removing and houſing the ſame, or ſhall ſhift, ſcreen, or ſlack any Lime (except within the Hoard or Incloſure hereinafter mentioned), or ſhew or expoſe any Stallions in any of the ſaid Streets, Ways, Lanes, or other Public Paſſages or Places (except in ſuch Place or Places as the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall in that Behalf appoint), or ſhall permit or ſuffer any Bull Dog, Maſtiff, or any ferocious Dog or Bitch to go at large, not being muzzled, in any of the ſaid Streets, Ways, Lanes, or other Public Paſſages or Places, then and in every ſuch Caſe aforeſaid every Perſon and Perſons ſo offending ſhall, for every ſuch Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Penalty on not removing Nuiſances after Notice.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That in caſe any Hog-ſtye, Slaughter houſe, Lay-ſtall, Neceſſary-houſe, Dung, Carrion, Soil, Filth, Aſhes, Cinders, Rubbiſh, or other Thing ſhall be a Nuiſance to any of the Inhabitants of the ſaid Town, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, if they ſhall think fit, upon Complaint thereof made to them by any ſuch Inhabitant, to cauſe Notice in Writing under the Hand of their Clerk, and to order the Perſon occaſioning ſuch Nuiſance, or to whom the ſame ſhall belong, to remove ſuch Nuiſance within ſuch Time as they ſhall think fit; and in caſe the ſame ſhall not be removed according to ſuch Notice, the Perſon who ought to remove the ſame, and ſhall wilfully neglect or omit ſo to do, ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Shillings a Day for every Day the ſame ſhall continue unremoved after the Time to be mentioned in ſuch Notice.

Power to place Materials for building.

XVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Perſon ſhall be ſubject to any Penalty by virtue of this Act on account of any Lime, Mortar, Rubbiſh, Dirt, or Materials being in the ſame Streets or other public Places before the Houſe or Tenement of ſuch Perſon, occaſioned by the building, pulling down, or repairing of ſuch Houſe or Tenement, ſo that there be convenient Room left for Carriages to paſs and repaſs, and ſo as the Owner or Occupier of ſuch Houſe or Tenement before which ſuch Lime, Mortar, Rubbiſh, Dirt, or Materials ſhall be, ſhall cauſe the ſame to be removed out of ſuch Street or Place, at his own Coſts and Charges, within a reaſonable Time after ſuch building, pulling down, or repairing ſhall be completed, or upon Notice to be given to him, her, or them, or left at ſuch Houſe or Tenement for that Purpoſe, in Writing, ſigned by the ſaid Commiſſioners or their Clerk, ſo that whilſt the ſame ſhall be lying in ſuch Street or Place, ſuch Owner or Occupier ſhall ſet up and maintain a ſufficient Light upon or againſt the ſame during the Night-time, to prevent Miſchief happening to Paſſengers or Cattle, and ſo as that the ſame ſhall, whilſt lying in ſuch Street or Place, be incloſed within Boards in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall direct.

Regulations as to new Buildings.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That all Houſes and Buildings hereafter to be built or new fronted in the ſaid Streets, Ways, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places, ſhall be made to riſe perpendicularly from the Foundation thereof (except Shop Windows, which ſhall be allowed to project to any Diſtance not exceeding Ten Inches, provided the ſame be properly ſupported by Brackets); and if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall at any Time build or new-front any Houſe or other Building within the ſaid Town, or cauſe the ſame to be done otherwiſe than riſing perpendicularly from the Foundation, except Shop Windows as aforeſaid, it ſhall be lawful for any Five of

of the ſaid Commiſſioners, by Writing under their Hands, to cauſe the ſame to be pulled down and removed by ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall direct and appoint, and the Coſts and Charges thereof ſhall be paid and reimburſed to the ſaid Commiſſioners or their Order by the Owner or Owners of ſuch Houſes or Buildings; and in default of Payment thereof on Demand, the ſame may be recovered in like Manner as any Penalties or Forfeitures are by this Act authorized to be recovered: Provided always, that in ſuch Regulations of the Fronts of new Buildings to be made as aforeſaid, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, when any ſuch new Buildings ſhall be made as aforeſaid, to admit at their Diſcretion the ſaid new Buildings to be advanced in the Front thereof ſo as to be on a Line with other adjoining Buildings.

Fronts of new Houſes may be advanced.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That no Houſe or other Building ſhall be erected in the ſaid Town, unleſs the ſame ſhall have on each End thereof adjoining any other Houſe or Building, a Party Wall Nine Inches thick, made ſubſtantially of Brick or Stone, with no other Timber in it than what ſhall be neceſſary for binding the ſame.

New Houſes to have Party Walls.

XX. Provided always, and be it enacted and declared, That nothing in this Act contained ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend to prevent any Owner or Occupier of any Houſe, Shop, Warehouſe, Building, Tenement, or Hereditament within any of the aforeſaid Streets or other Paſſages or Places, to make any Vault or Drain either in the Front or at the End of ſuch Houſe, Shop, Warehouſe, Building, Tenement, or Hereditament after the ſame ſhall be paved, but they ſhall have the like Power and Authority to make ſuch Vault or Drain as before the paſſing of this Act, any thing hereinbefore contained to the contrary thereof in anywiſe notwithſtanding: Provided always, That if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall dig out any Earth or leave any Hole in any Street or Place, before any Houſe or Tenement built or in building within the ſaid Town, for the Purpoſe of making any ſuch Vault or Drain, or any other Purpoſe whatſoever, and ſhall not incloſe the ſame in a good and ſufficient Manner, to be approved of by the Surveyor or Surveyors for the Time being, to the ſaid Commiſſioners, or ſhall keep up ſuch Incloſure longer than is abſolutely neceſſary, every Perſon or Perſons guilty of any of the Offences aforeſaid, ſhall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Twenty Shillings, and the like Sum for every Day that ſuch Annoyance ſhall be continued.

Not to prevent making of Vaults or Drains.

Penalty for Annoyances by making Vaults or Drains.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That where any Opening is now or ſhall be made in the Paving or Flagging of any of the ſaid Streets, Lanes, or Public Places, for the Purpoſe of conveying Coals or other Things into any Vault or Cellar under the ſame, or for the Purpoſe of admitting Light into any Room or Cellar, the Covering or Grating to ſuch Opening ſhall be made at the Expence of the Perſon or Perſons requiring the ſame, and ſhall be made of Iron, or ſuch other Materials, of ſuch Dimenſions and in ſuch Manner and Form, as the ſaid Commiſſioners at a Meeting as aforeſaid ſhall direct and approve of, and ſuch Grating and Covering ſhall from Time to Time be repaired, varied, and altered at the like Expence of the Perſon or Perſons for whoſe Uſe and Benefit the ſame ſhall be poſſeſſed or enjoyed, and in ſuch Manner and Form as the ſaid Commiſſioners at a Meeting as aforeſaid ſhall direct or appoint; and in caſe any Perſon or Perſons

Commiſſioners to direct where Gratings over Openings in the Pavements ſhall be made.

Perſons ſhall cauſe any ſuch Grating or Covering to be made, repaired, varied, or altered, or ſhall neglect or refuſe to make, repair, vary, or alter ſuch Grating or Covering contrary to ſuch Direction or Appointment as aforeſaid, every ſuch Perſon ſhall, for every ſuch Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for every Week the ſaid Offence ſhall be continued.

Courſe of Gutters to be turned if neceſſary.

Grates altered, &c.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners from Time to Time to direct and cauſe the Courſe of any Gutter, Watercourſe, or Channel running in or through the ſaid Streets, or any of them, to be turned or altered in ſuch Manner as they ſhall think proper, and to direct the Grates already placed, or hereafter to be placed over any Sewers, to be removed and replaced in ſuch Manner, and at ſuch Place and Places as they ſhall think moſt proper, all which ſhall from Time to Time be done at the Expence of the ſaid Commiſſioners, and paid for out of the Money ariſing by virtue of this Act, any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom to the contrary notwithſtanding.

When Houſes or other Buildings projecting into any Street are taken down to be rebuilt, the Commiſſioners may order the ſame to be ſet back.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That whenever any Houſe or other Building ſtanding in any Street, Way, Lane, or other Public Paſſage or Place within the ſaid Town, projecting beyond the regular Line of ſuch Street, Way, Lane, or other Public Paſſage or Place, or of the Range of Buildings adjoining thereto, ſhall be taken down and re-built, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, if they think proper, to require and compel the Owner or Owners thereof, when the ſame ſhall be re-built, to cauſe ſuch Houſe or other Building to be ſet back, in and according to ſuch regular Line as aforeſaid, and to give ſuch Directions and make ſuch Orders in Writing for that Purpoſe, as the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall think proper, and to cauſe the ſame to be delivered or left at the Houſe, or laſt or uſual Place of Abode of ſuch Owner or Owners, ſome or one of them; and if any Houſe or other Building ſhall be built, erected, or re-built contrary to ſuch Directions and Orders, the ſame ſhall be deemed an Encroachment, Nuiſance, and Annoyance, within the Intent and Meaning of this Act, and be removed or removeable as ſuch: Provided always, nevertheleſs, That full Recompence and Satisfaction ſhall be made to the Owner or Owners of, and all Perſons intereſted in the Premiſes, for any Loſs or Damage he, ſhe, or they may ſuſtain by ſuch Houſe or other Building being ſo ſet back, and all the Powers, Proviſions, and Clauſes contained in this Act with reſpect to the Houſes or other Buildings hereby authoriſed to be taken down, ſhall extend and apply and be applicable to any Houſe or other Building ſo to be ſet back as aforeſaid, and to making Compenſation and Satisfaction to the Owner or Owners thereof, and Perſons intereſted therein, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purpoſes as if the ſame were now repeated.

Proviſions of this Act to extend to new Streets.

XXIV. And whereas ſeveral new Streets may hereafter be built within the ſaid Franchiſe of *Swanſea*, and it is proper that the ſeveral Proviſions of this Act ſhould be extended thereto, be it therefore enacted and declared, That this Act, and the ſeveral Powers and Proviſions therein contained, ſhall extend to all ſuch Streets and other public Paſſages and Places as ſhall be built within the ſaid Franchiſe, and ſhall be put in execution for the Purpoſes of paving, cleanſing, lighting, and watching

ing the ſame, and for raiſing Money to defray the Expences thereof, in like Manner, and as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if ſuch Streets and other Paſſages and Places were now erected and built.

No Buildings in future to be covered with Thatch.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That no Houſe, Out-houſe, or other Building which, after the paſſing of this Act, ſhall be built, erected, rebuilt, or new covered within the Diſtance of Half a Mile from the Limits of the ſaid Town, ſhall be covered with Thatch; and if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall, at any Time or Times after the paſſing of this Act, cover or cauſe to be covered any Houſe, Out-houſe, Building, or Erection, or any Part thereof, within the Diſtance of Two Miles from the Pariſh Church aforeſaid, with Thatch, every Perſon ſo offending ſhall, for every ſuch Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings, and any further Sum not exceeding Ten Shillings for every Day ſuch Offence ſhall continue; and it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to order the ſame to be taken down and removed in ſuch Manner as to them ſhall ſeem meet, and the Perſon or Perſons ſo ordered by the ſaid Commiſſioners, ſhall and may take down and remove the ſame accordingly, upon giving Notice or Warning to the Owner or Occupier of ſuch Houſe, Out-houſe, or other Building or Erection, to take down the ſame, and one Moiety of the ſaid reſpective Penalties ſhall be paid to the Informer.

Commiſſioners authorized to purchaſe Buildings, &c. to widen and improve the Streets.

XXVI. And for the Purpoſe of widening and improving the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Ways, Paſſages, and public Places, within the ſaid Town, and opening Communications therewith, Be it further enacted, That the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall and may, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to treat, contract, and agree for, and purchaſe from the Owners, Proprietors, and Occupiers of, and all other Perſons intereſted in any of the Dwelling-Houſes, Buildings projecting over any of the ſaid Streets, and Grounds, within the ſaid Town, or ſo much or ſuch Parts thereof, as they the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall adjudge neceſſary to be purchaſed for effecting the Purpoſes of this Act, at ſuch Sum or Sums of Money as ſhall be agreed upon, and to cauſe ſuch Dwelling-Houſes, Buildings, and Tenements, or ſo much thereof as they ſhall judge neceſſary to be taken down, and the Scite thereof, and the Grounds ſo to be purchaſed, to be made Part of the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Ways, Paſſages, and public Places, for the Purpoſe of widening and improving the ſame; and for effecting the Ends aforeſaid, it ſhall and may be lawful for all Bodies, Politic or Corporate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Truſtees and Feoffees in Truſt, Guardians, Committees of Lunatics or Idiots, Executors, Adminiſtrators, and all other Truſtees, not only for and on Behalf of themſelves, their Heirs and Succeſſors, but alſo for and on Behalf of their Ceſtuique Truſts, whether Infants or Iſſue unborn, Lunatics, Idiots, Femes Covert, or other Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, who are or ſhall be ſeiſed, poſſeſſed of, intereſted in or entitled to any of the ſaid Dwelling-Houſes, or other Buildings and Grounds, to treat, contract, and agree with, and abſolutely ſell, convey, aſſign, or ſurrender to the ſaid Commiſſioners, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint, all or any ſuch Dwelling-Houſes, or other Buildings and Grounds, or any Part thereof, or any Eſtate, Term of Years, or other Intereſt therein, and that all ſuch Contracts, Agreements,

Sales, and Conveyances which ſhall be ſo made, ſhall be good and valid in Law, to all Intents and Purpoſes, to convey the ſaid Premiſes, and the Right, Title, Property, Claim, and Demand whatſoever, of ſuch Perſon or Perſons, of, in, and to the ſame, any Law, Statute, Uſage, or any other Matter or Thing whatſoever to the contrary thereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding; and all Bodies, Politic or Corporate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Truſtees and Feoffees in Truſt, Executors, Adminiſtrators, Guardians and other Truſtees, and all other Perſons ſhall be, and are hereby indemnified for what they ſhall do therein by virtue or in purſuance of this Act.

In Caſes of Refuſal or Inability to ſell.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That if any Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or any Corporation, whether Aggregate or Sole, Spiritual or Lay, or any Femes Covert, or any Tenant for Life, or Tenant in Tail General or Special, Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers, or other Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, intereſted in any Dwelling Houſes, Buildings, or Grounds which the ſaid Commiſſioners are enabled by this Act to purchaſe for the Purpoſes of this Act, ſhall refuſe to treat, contract, or agree as aforeſaid, or by reaſon of Abſence, or otherwiſe, ſhall be prevented from treating, contracting or agreeing, or ſhall decline or refuſe to ſell, convey, and diſpoſe of the Premiſes whereof or wherein, or whereunto they reſpectively ſhall be ſo ſeiſed, poſſeſſed, intereſted, or entitled as aforeſaid, or their reſpective Rights, Titles, Claims, or Intereſts in, to, or upon the ſame, or any Part thereof, unto the ſaid Commiſſioners, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall nominate for the Purpoſes, and according to the Tenor, true Intent, and Meaning of this Act, or ſhall not, or cannot produce or make out a clear Title to the Premiſes they are in Poſſeſſion of, or to the Intereſt they claim therein, to the Satisfaction of the ſaid Commiſſioners, or if any Diſpute or Difference ſhall ariſe touching ſuch Purchaſe or Purchaſes, then and in every ſuch Caſe, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Commiſſioners, to cauſe it to be enquired into and aſcertained, by and upon the Oaths of a Jury of Twelve indifferent Men, of the ſaid County of *Glamorgan*, (which Oaths the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any Seven or more of them, are hereby empowered to adminiſter,) what Damage will be ſuſtained by, and what Recompence and Satisfaction ſhall be made to ſuch Owner, Proprietor, Occupier, or other Perſon or Perſons intereſted for or upon Account of the taking or uſing of ſuch Dwelling Houſes, Buildings, or Grounds, for the Purpoſes laſt aforeſaid; and in order thereto, the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any Seven or more of them, are hereby empowered and required, from Time to Time, to ſummon and call before them, all and every Perſon who ſhall be thought neceſſary and proper, to be examined as a Witneſs or Witneſſes, touching or concerning the Premiſes; and ſhall examine ſuch Witneſs or Witneſſes before the ſaid Jury upon Oath, (which Oath the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any Two or more of them are hereby empowered and required to adminiſter,) and they ſhall order and cauſe the ſaid Jury to view the Place in queſtion, and uſe all other lawful Ways and Means, as well for their own as for the ſaid Jury's Information in the Premiſes; and after the ſaid Jury ſhall have ſo aſcertained and ſettled ſuch Damages and Recompence, they the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall thereupon order, adjudge, and determine the Sum or Sums of Money ſo aſſeſſed by the ſaid Jury to be paid to the Owners, Proprietors, or Occupiers of the ſaid Premiſes, or other Perſons intereſted therein, according

cording to the Verdict or Inquiſition of the ſaid Jury, which ſaid Verdict, Inquiſition and Judgement, Order or Determination, ſo had and made, ſhall be final, binding and concluſive to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever againſt all Parties and Perſons claiming in Poſſeſſion, Reverſion, Remainder or otherwiſe; and all and every ſuch Owners, Proprietors, Occupiers, and other Perſons anywiſe intereſted in ſuch Dwelling-houſes, Buildings, or Grounds, ſhall thereby be from thenceforth to all Intents and Purpoſes diveſted of all Right, Title, Claim, Remainder, Reverſion, Intereſt, or Property of, in, to, or out of the ſame; and upon Payment of the Money ſo aſſeſſed to the reſpective Perſons entitled thereto, or their Agents, or upon paying the ſame into the Bank of *England*, in Manner by this Act directed, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Commiſſioners to cauſe the Premiſes in reſpect whereof ſuch Money ſhall be aſſeſſed to be diſpoſed of, and ſuch Acts to be done thereto as if the Purchaſe thereof had been agreed upon and completed, and the ſaid reſpective Premiſes were untenanted, and the Purchaſe or Conſideration Money had been received by the Perſon or Perſons entitled thereto; and for ſummoning and returning ſuch Jury the ſaid Commiſſioners are hereby empowered to iſſue out their Warrant or Warrants, ſigned by any Seven or more of them, to the Sheriff of the ſaid County of *Glamorgan*, thereby commanding and requiring ſuch Sheriff to impannel, ſummon and return an indifferent Jury of Twenty-four Perſons to appear before the ſaid Commiſſioners at ſuch Time and Place as in ſuch Warrant ſhall be appointed; and ſuch Sheriff, or his Deputy, is hereby required thereupon to impannel, ſummon, and return ſuch Twenty-four Perſons accordingly, and out of the Perſons ſo impannelled, ſummoned, and returned, or out of ſuch of them as ſhall appear according to or upon ſuch Summons, the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall ſwear, or cauſe to be ſworn Twelve Perſons, who ſhall be the Jury for the Purpoſes aforeſaid; and in Default of a ſufficient Number of Jurymen, the ſaid Sheriff or his Deputy ſhall return other honeſt and indifferent Men of the Standers-by, or that can be ſpeedily procured, or ſummoned to attend that Service, to the Number of Twelve: Provided always, that all Perſons concerned ſhall have their lawful Challenges againſt any of the Jurymen to be ſummoned in purſuance of this Act, in ſuch and the like Manner as any Party in any Action depending in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter* is or ſhall be by Law entitled to; and the ſaid Commiſſioners are hereby empowered to impoſe any reaſonable Fine or Fines on ſuch Sheriff or his Deputy, who ſhall make Default in the Premiſes, and alſo on any of the Perſons who ſhall be ſummoned and returned to ſerve on ſuch Jury, and ſhall not appear, or after having appeared ſhall refuſe to be ſworn on the ſaid Jury, or having been ſworn ſhall refuſe to give, or ſhall not give his or their Verdict on the Matter in Queſtion, or ſhall in any other Manner wilfully neglect his or their Duty therein; and on any of the Perſons who being ſummoned or required to give Evidence before the ſaid Jury touching the Premiſes, ſhall neglect or refuſe to appear, or refuſe to be ſworn, or be examined, or give Evidence touching the ſame; but no ſuch Fine ſhall exceed the Sum of Ten Pounds upon any one Perſon for One Offence: Provided always, that in caſe the Sum or Sums ſo aſſeſſed by the ſaid Jury, and ordered and adjudged to be paid by the ſaid Commiſſioners, as a Satisfaction to the Owners, Occupiers, or others, for their reſpective Intereſts in the ſaid Premiſes, ſhall not be paid, tendered, or depoſited in the

Juries may be challenged.

Sheriffs, &c. may be fined for Neglect of Duty.

Verdicts ſhall not be binding, unleſs Money paid within Six Calendar Months.

the Bank of *England*, as the Case may be, in Manner by this Act directed, within Six Calendar Months after the same shall have been so assessed, ordered, and adjudged, then and in such Case the Verdict of the said Jury shall not be binding upon the said Parties; any Thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Payment of Costs of Verdict.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where any Verdict shall have been given for a greater Sum or Recompence than shall have been previously offered by or on the behalf of the said Commissioners, for any such Dwelling Houses, Buildings or Grounds for Damages as aforesaid, all the Expences of taking such Inquest, and of the Witnesses attending thereon, and recording or entering the Verdict and Judgement thereupon, shall be paid by the said Commissioners out of the Monies to arise by virtue of this Act; but if a Verdict shall be given for no greater or for a less Sum than shall have been so previously offered by or on the Behalf of the said Commissioners, then and in every such Case such Expences shall be paid by the Owners of or Persons interested in the Premises in question; provided, that whenever by Absence any Person or Persons shall have been prevented from treating with the said Commissioners, the Whole of such Costs and Expences shall be borne and paid by the said Commissioners; and whenever any Costs or Charges shall or may be payable to the said Commissioners, such Costs and Charges shall and may be deducted out of the Sum to be paid by the said Commissioners to the said Owners or Persons respectively interested.

Application of Composition Money where exceeding 200l.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Money shall be agreed to be paid for any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchased, taken, or used by virtue of the Powers of this Act for the Purposes thereof, which shall belong to any Corporation, Feme Covert, Infant, Lunatic, or Person or Persons under any Disability or Incapacity as herein mentioned, 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, *ex parte* the Commissioners for executing 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 made upon a Petition to be preferred in a summary Way by the Person or Persons who would have been entitled 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 Incumbrance or Part thereof as the said Court shall authorize to be paid, affecting the same 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 Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, which shall be conveyed and settled to, for, and upon such and the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes, and in the same Manner as the Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and 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

the mean Time and until such Purchase shall be made, the said Money shall, by Order of the 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 mean Time, and until the said Bank 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, and Hereditaments, so hereby directed to be purchased in case such Purchase or Settlement were made.

If under 200l. and exceeding 20l.

XXX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Money so agreed 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 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 Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used, or of his, her, 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, and be placed to his Account as aforesaid, in order to be applied in Manner hereinbefore directed, or otherwise the same shall be paid at the like Option to Two Trustees, to be nominated by the Person or Persons making such Option, and approved of by Five or more of the said Commissioners (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 thereon may be applied in any Manner hereinbefore directed, so far as the Case be applicable, without obtaining, or being required to obtain, the Direction or Approbation of the Court of Chancery.

If under 20l.

XXXI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That where such Money so agreed to be paid as last before mentioned, shall be less than Twenty Pounds, then and in all such Cases the same shall be applied to the Use of the Person or Persons who would for the Time being have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of the Hereditaments so purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes of this Act in such Manner as the said Commissioners shall think fit; or in case of Infancy or Lunacy, then to his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees, and for the Use and Benefit of such Person or Persons so entitled respectively.

In case of not making out Titles,

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That in case the Person or Persons to whom any Sum or Sums of Money shall be so ordered to be paid as aforesaid, shall not be able to make a good Title to the Premises, to the Satisfaction of the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, or shall refuse to execute such Conveyance or Conveyances; or in case such Person

or if Persons cannot be found, the Purchase Money to be paid into the Bank,

or Persons to whom such Sum or Sums of Money shall be so ordered to be paid as aforesaid, cannot be found; or if the Person or Persons entitled to such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, be not known or discovered, then and in every such Case it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners, or any Five or more of them, to order the said Sum or Sums of Money so awarded to be paid into the Bank of *England*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the said 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, on the 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 same Court shall seem meet, to order the same to be laid out and invested in the Public Funds, or to order Distribution thereof, or Payment of the Interest thereof, according to the respective Estate or Estates, Title or Interest, of the Person or Persons making Claim 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.

subject to the Order of the Court of Chancery on Motion or Petition.

Where any Question shall arise touching the Title to Money to be paid, the Person who shall be in Possession of the Lands, &c. at the Time of such Purchase shall be deemed entitled thereto according to such Possession.

XXXIII. 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 this Act, for the Purchase of any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or of any Estate, Right, or Interest in any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased in pursuance of this Act, or to any Bank Annuities to be purchased with any such Money, or to the Dividends or Interest of any such Bank Annuities, the Person or Persons who shall have been in possession of such Messuages, 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 Messuages, 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 or 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, 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 Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or to some Estate or Interest therein.

The Court of Chancery may order reasonable

XXXIV. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That when by reason of any Disability or Incapacity of the Person or Persons or Corporation entitled to any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased

chaſed under the Authority of this Act, 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 this Act, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Court of Chancery, to order the Expences of all Purchaſes from Time to Time to be made in purſuance of this Act, or ſo much of ſuch Expences as the ſaid Court ſhall deem reaſonable, to be paid by the ſaid Commiſſioners out of the Monies to be received by virtue of this Act, who ſhall from Time to Time pay ſuch Sums of Money for ſuch Purpoſes as the ſaid Court ſhall direct.

Expences of Purchaſes to be paid by the Truſtees.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That every Mortgagee of any Meſſuages, Buildings, Lands, and Hereditaments which ſhall be purchaſed or acquired by the ſaid Commiſſioners or any of them in purſuance of this Act, his, her, or their Heirs, Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns reſpectively, on having Six Calendar Months Notice in Writing given to him, her, or them from the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any Perſon authoriſed by them, of paying off the Principal and Intereſt Money which ſhall be due on ſuch Mortgages reſpectively ſhall, at the End of the ſaid Six Calendar Months after ſuch Notice, on Payment or Tender of the Principal Money and Intereſt which ſhall be then due, convey and aſſign his, her, and their reſpective Eſtates and Intereſts in and to the ſaid mortgaged Premiſes, to the ſaid Commiſſioners, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall nominate and appoint, in Truſt for the Uſes and Purpoſes of this Act; and if any ſuch Mortgagee, his, her, or their Heirs, Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns ſhall refuſe ſo to do, then all Intereſt on every ſuch Mortgage, from the Expiration of the ſaid Six Calendar Months after any ſuch Notice, ſhall ceaſe and determine.

Mortgagees to convey.

XXXVI. And be it further enacted, That in caſe the ſaid Commiſſioners or any Perſon authoriſed by them ſhall, after any Meſſuages, Buildings, Lands, or Hereditaments ſhall be purchaſed in purſuance of this Act, give Six Calendar Months Notice in Writing to all or any of the Tenants at Rack Rent, or Occupiers of ſuch Meſſuages, Buildings, Lands, or Hereditaments to quit or deliver up the Poſſeſſion thereof, then every ſuch Tenant ſhall, at the End of every ſuch Six Calendar Months, peaceably and quietly deliver and yield up the Poſſeſſion of the ſaid Premiſes ſo by him, her, or them reſpectively held or occupied, whether upon Demiſe, Leaſe, or otherwiſe, to the ſaid Commiſſioners, or to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be appointed by them to take Poſſeſſion thereof; and all Leaſes, Demiſes, or Agreements for renting or holding the ſame at Rack Rent or otherwiſe theretofore made ſhall, from the End of the ſaid Six Calendar Months, be abſolutely void and of none Effect as againſt the ſaid Commiſſioners or any of them; and if any Perſon or Perſons ſo in Poſſeſſion ſhall refuſe to give up ſuch Poſſeſſion at the Expiration of ſuch Six Calendar Months after ſuch Notice, it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners to iſſue their Precept or Precepts to the Conſtables of the ſaid Town of *Swanſea*, for the Time being, or to any or either of them, to cauſe Poſſeſſion thereof to be delivered to ſuch Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be in ſuch Precept or Precepts nominated to receive the ſame; and the ſaid Conſtable or Conſtables is and are hereby reſpectively required to deliver Poſſeſſion according

Tenants at Rack-rent of any Premiſes purchaſed by the Commiſſioners to give up the Poſſeſſion thereof after Six Months Notice.

according to such Precept or Precepts of the Premises therein mentioned, and to levy such Costs as shall accrue by means of the issuing and executing of every such Precept or Precepts by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of any Person or Persons who shall have refused to give up Possession as aforesaid, and shall refuse or neglect to pay such Costs.

Power for the Commissioners to sell such Lands as shall not be wanted by them for the Purposes of this Act.

XXXVII. And whereas by reason of the Purchases which the said Commissioners are hereby empowered to make, they may happen to be possessed of some Piece or Pieces of Ground over and above what may be necessary for effecting the Improvements hereby directed to be made, or for other the Purposes of this Act; be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners to sell and dispose of such Piece or Pieces of Ground, either together or in Parcels, as they shall find most advantageous and convenient to such Person or Persons as shall be willing to contract for and purchase the same; and the Money to arise by Sale of such Piece or Pieces of Ground shall be applied to the respective Purposes of this Act; but the Purchaser or Purchasers thereof shall not be answerable or accountable for the Mis-application or Non-application thereof.

Persons from whom Lands shall have been purchased by the Commissioners, shall have the first Offer of the Repurchase thereof.

XXXVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners, before they shall sell and dispose of any such Dwelling Houses, Buildings, or Grounds, shall first offer the same for Sale to the Person or Persons respectively from whom they shall have purchased such Dwelling Houses, Buildings, or Grounds; and in case such Person or Persons shall not then and thereupon agree, or shall refuse to re-purchase the same, then and in every such Case any Affidavit to be made and sworn before a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery, or before One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Glamorgan*, by some Person or Persons no way interested in the said Dwelling Houses, Buildings, or Grounds, stating that such Offer was made by or on Behalf of the said Commissioners, and that such Offer was not then and thereupon agreed to, or was refused by the Person or Persons to whom the same was so offered, shall in all Courts whatsoever be sufficient Evidence and Proof that such Offer was made, and was not agreed to, or was refused by the Person or Persons to whom it was made (as the Case may be).

Beasts wandering in the Streets may be impounded.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Beast or Swine shall at any Time be found wandering about any of the Streets, Ways, Lanes, or other public Passages and Places within the said Town, it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons to be appointed by the said Commissioners, or any Inhabitant of the said Town, to seize and impound such Beast or Swine in the common Pound of the said Town, or in such other Place as the said Commissioners shall appoint, and the same there to detain until the Owner or Owners thereof shall, for each Beast or Swine so impounded, pay a Sum of Money not exceeding Ten Shillings, to the Treasurer for the Time being to the said Commissioners, to be applied for the Purposes of this Act, and also the Sum of One Shilling to the Person impounding the same, besides the reasonable Charges and Expences of impounding and keeping the same; and in case the said Sums, Charges, and Expences shall not be paid within Three Days

Days after such impounding, it shall be lawful for the Pound-keeper, or such other Person as shall be appointed by the said Commissioners for that Purpose, to sell the Beast or Swine so impounded, or cause the same to be sold, giving Two Days' previous Notice of the intended Sale to the Owner or Owners of such Beast or Swine, or if the Owner thereof cannot be found, causing Two Days' public Notice of such intended Sale to be given by the public Cryer of the said Town by Proclamation, and the Money arising by such Sale, after deducting the said Sums, and the Charges and Expences aforesaid, and of such Notice and Sale, shall be paid to the said Treasurer, to be by him paid to the Person whose Property the Beast or Swine so sold shall appear to have been, upon his or her claiming the same.

Slaughter Houses may be built.

XL. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, and they are hereby authorized to erect, or cause to be erected and built, in some convenient Situation within the said Town, or Franchise, such proper and necessary Slaughter-houses and other Buildings and Conveniences thereto, of such Dimensions and in such Manner as the said Commissioners shall think proper.

Streets may be named and Houses numbered.

XLI. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners shall and may cause to be painted, engraved, or described in Stone, Wood, or otherwise, to be affixed on a conspicuous Part of One or more House or Houses, Building or Buildings, at or near each End, Corner or Entrance of each of the said Streets, Lanes, Passages, and Places, the Name by which each respective Street, Lane, Passage, and Place is properly and usually called or known; and may also cause every House, Building, Shop, or Warehouse, in each of the said Streets, Lanes, and Places, to be marked and numbered in such Manner as they shall judge most proper for distinguishing the same; and if any Person or Persons shall wilfully destroy, pull down, injure, obliterate, or deface any such Names, Descriptions, Marks, or Numbers, or any Part or Parts thereof, or cause or procure the same to be done, every Person or Persons so offending shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings.

How Numbers defaced to be replaced.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where any Number painted or put on any House or Tenement within the Limits aforesaid, under the Direction of this Act, shall be defaced or rubbed out, and the Offender therein shall not, at the same Time, be discovered, the Owner or Occupier of any such House or Tenement where the Number or Numbers shall have been defaced or rubbed out, shall, upon personal Notice given him, her, or them, or upon Notice in Writing left at his, her, or their last or most usual Place of Abode, by the Clerk to the said Commissioners, or by such other Person or Persons as the said Commissioners shall direct or appoint, cause the same Number to be in the same or like Manner, painted or put on each House or Tenement within Seven Days after such Notice, and in case of Neglect or Refusal to comply with such Order, every such Owner or Occupier shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence, any Sum not exceeding Twenty Shillings.

Damaging public Walks or Works.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person shall wilfully break, destroy, or otherwise damage or spoil any of the Works, Rails, Pales, Seats,

Seats, Steps, Trees or Shrubs, in any of the preſent or future public Walks, Streets, Buildings, or public Places, or any Part or Parts thereof, in the ſaid Town, or any of the Materials for the making or repairing of any ſuch public Walks and other Places, then, and in every ſuch Caſe, every Perſon ſo offending ſhall not only pay the Amount of ſuch Damage, but alſo forfeit any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for each Offence, and ſuch Amount of Damage, and the ſaid Penalty ſhall be recoverable in ſuch Manner as any Penalties may be recovered under this Act.

Preventing Nuiſances in St. Mary-ſtreet during the Market.

XLIV. And whereas great Throngs of People are accuſtomed to frequent and remain in a certain Street in the ſaid Town, called *Saint Mary Street*, otherwiſe *Butter Street*, on *Saturdays*, being the principal Market Day; be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners to erect a Chain or Bar at one or both of the Ends of the ſaid Street, on every *Saturday* in the Year, and keep the ſame ſo fixed up from Nine of the Clock in the Morning to Four of the Clock in the Afternoon of the ſame Day, and that it ſhall not be lawful, ſo long as the ſaid Market ſhall continue in the ſaid Street, for any Perſon or Perſons to paſs with, drive, bring, or lead any Coach, Chaiſe, Cart, Car, or other Carriage in the ſaid Street, during the ſaid Hours or Times, nor for any Perſon or Perſons to paſs with, drive, bring, lead, or ride any Horſe or other Beaſt therein; and every Perſon or Perſons ſo offending in any of the Premiſes, ſhall be liable to the Penalty of Ten Shillings for each Time he or they ſhall ſo offend.

Meat may be expoſed to Sale within certain Limits.

XLV. Provided always and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained ſhall extend to prevent any Perſon from hanging up or expoſing for Sale any Manner of Butchers' Meat, within the Limits of the Sheds or Penthouſes which now are or have been heretofore made uſe of for that Purpoſe in *Market Street* and *Saint Mary Street*, otherwiſe *Butter Street*, but that every Perſon may hang up, ſell, or expoſe for Sale any Manner of Butchers' Meat within the Limits aforeſaid, without being liable to any Penalty inflicted by this Act for ſo doing, any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Streets may be lighted.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, and they are hereby authoriſed and empowered, from Time to Time, whenever they ſhall think proper, when the new Pitching and Pavement of the ſaid Streets, Lanes, public Paſſages and Places ſhall have been completed, or the old Pitching and Pavement thereof ſhall, to their Satisfaction and Judgment have been ſufficiently amended, and not before, to cauſe Lamp Irons or Lamp Poſts to be put or affixed into, upon, or againſt the Walls or Palliſadoes of any of the Houſes, Tenements, or Buildings within the ſaid Town, or in ſuch other Manner as they ſhall think proper and convenient, and alſo to cauſe ſuch Number of Lamps, of ſuch Sizes and Sorts to be provided and affixed or put upon ſuch Lamp Irons or Lamp Poſts as they ſhall think proper and neceſſary for lighting all or any of the ſaid Streets and other public Paſſages and Places within the ſaid Town, and to light the ſame for and during ſuch Hours and Seaſons as from Time to Time ſhall be thought proper: And if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall wilfully break, throw down, take away, ſpoil, or damage any of the Lamps to be put up by virtue of this

Penalty for wilfully breaking Lamps.

Act,

Act, or any of the Irons, Posts, or other Furniture thereof, or any other Lamp Iron or Post, or other Furniture thereof, erected or placed by the Inhabitants of the said Town, or any of them, in the said Streets, Lanes, public Passages or Places, or wilfully extinguish the Light of any such Lamps, every Person so offending shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Twenty Shillings, and such Offender or Offenders shall also pay to the said Commissioners such Sum of Money as shall be a full Satisfaction for the Damage done by him, her, or them: And in case any Person shall accidently break, throw down, or otherwise spoil or damage any of the said Lamps, or the Irons, Posts, or other Furniture thereof, and shall not upon Demand, make Satisfaction for the Damage done thereto, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Glamorgan* to award such Sum or Sums of Money by Way of Satisfaction for such Damages, as such Justice shall think reasonable, and in default of Payment thereof upon Demand, to cause the same to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person or Persons who shall have done such Damage.

Satisfaction for accidentally breaking, &c.

Commissioners may contract.

XLVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, and they are hereby authorised and empowered from Time to Time to contract and agree with any Person or Persons for the paving, relaying, raising, lowering, amending, altering, cleansing, keeping in Repair, and lighting the Streets, Ways, Lanes, Passages, and Places within the said Town, and for the performing of any of the Works hereby authorised, which Contract or Contracts so to be entered into, shall be reduced into Writing, and signed by the Clerk to the said Commissioners and the Person or Persons contracting to perform such Works, and shall specify the Works to be done and the Prices to be paid for the same, and the Time or Times when such Works shall be performed or completed, and the Penalties to be suffered in case of Non-performance thereof, provided that Seven Days Notice at the least be given previous to the Meeting for entering into any such Contract, by Writing to be affixed and published as aforesaid, in which Notice shall be specified the Business to be contracted for at such Meeting, to the end that Persons may give in their Proposals for contracting to perform such Works: And it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, and they are hereby directed to cause the Works to be done in pursuance of such Contracts, to be inspected by their Surveyor or Surveyors, or by such other Persons as they shall from Time to Time appoint, and in case the same shall not be well and sufficiently performed, according to the true Intent and Meaning of such Contract or Contracts, or shall not be finished and completed, at or within the Time or Times to be by such Contract or Contracts limited for completing the same, the said Commissioners shall and may bring or order to be brought, an Action at Law against any Person or Persons so contracting and neglecting to perform such Contract or Contracts, and for any Penalty or Damage which shall be contained in such Contract or Contracts, or suffered or sustained on account of the Non-performance thereof, and upon proving the Signing of the said Contract or Contracts, and Non-performance thereof, the said Commissioners shall be entitled to and shall recover such Penalty or Damage with Costs of Suit: Provided always, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners from Time to Time and at all Times hereafter, to compound and agree with any Person or Persons against

Commissioners may compound for Penalties in Contracts.

againſt whom the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall bring or cauſe to be brought any Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, for any Penalty or Penalties contained in any Contract or Contracts hereafter to be made or entered into in purſuance of this Act, on account of any Breach or Non-performance of any ſuch Contract or Contracts, for ſuch Sum or Sums of Money as they ſhall think proper, ſo as the Sums ſo compounded and agreed for be not leſs than the Injury or Damage ſuſtained by the Breach or Non-performance of ſuch Contract or Contracts, and all Coſts, Charges, and Expences which ſhall be occaſioned thereby.

Scavengers' Duty.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That the Scavenger or Scavengers, or Perſon or Perſons employed in or contracting for cleanſing the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places ſhall once in every Week, or oftener if the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall ſo direct, and on ſuch Days as they ſhall appoint, bring or cauſe to be brought, ſome proper Cart or other Carriage into the ſaid ſeveral Streets, Ways, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places, where ſuch Carts and Carriages can paſs, and ſhall at or before his or their Approach by Sound of Bell or otherwiſe, give Notice to the Inhabitants of his or their coming, and give the like Notice in ſuch Parts of the ſaid Town, in which ſuch Carts or Carriages cannot paſs, and ſuch Scavenger or Scavengers, or other Perſon or Perſons, ſhall, upon the Requeſt of any of the Inhabitants, or their Servants or Lodgers, go into any of the Houſes or other Places where any Dirt, Duſt, Aſhes, or Filth (except the Filth from any Neceſſary Houſe or Privy) ſhall be depoſited, and ſhall take and put the ſame into ſuch Cart or Carriage and carry away the ſame, and ſhall alſo ſweep, cleanſe, and carry away the Dirt and Soil ariſing in the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places, upon Pain of forfeiting any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for every ſuch Offence or Neglect therein.

Inhabitants may reſerve their Duſt, &c.

XLIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained ſhall extend to prevent any of the Inhabitants of the ſaid Town, from preſerving or keeping any Aſhes, Duſt, Dirt, Filth, or Rubbiſh, within their Houſes, Yards, or Gardens, for their own Uſe, ſo as ſuch Aſhes, Duſt, Dirt, Filth or Rubbiſh, be not laid down or placed in any of the ſaid Streets, Ways, Lanes, Paſſages, or Places, for any longer Time than ſhall be neceſſary for the loading and carrying away the ſame, or ſuffered to annoy any of the Inhabitants of the ſaid Town; but in caſe any Perſon ſo preſerving in their Houſes, Yards, or Gardens, ſuch Aſhes, Duſt, Dirt, Filth, or Rubbiſh, ſhall thereby annoy any of the ſaid Inhabitants, and ſhall not remove the ſame within the Space of Two Days after Notice in Writing given to him or her under the Hands of the ſaid Commiſſioners or their Clerk, or left at ſuch Perſon's Dwelling-Houſe to remove the ſame, ſuch Perſon ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Shillings a Day, for every Day ſuch Annoyance ſhall be permitted to remain after ſuch Notice given as aforeſaid.

Power to lodge Dirt, &c. in vacant Places.

L. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Perſon or Perſons contracting to cleanſe the ſaid Streets, Ways, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places, or any Part thereof, ſhall have Liberty, by the Approbation and Order of the ſaid Commiſſioners, to lodge any Dirt, Duſt, Aſhes or other Filth in ſuch vacant or public Places in or near the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places as ſhall be thought proper and convenient by the

the ſaid Commiſſioners, the Perſon ſo contracting making ſuch Satisfaction to the Owners and Occupiers of ſuch vacant Places as the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall direct.

Bye Laws.

LI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners from Time to Time at any of the ſaid Meetings to make ſuch Rules, Orders, Regulations, and Bye Laws, (not inconſiſtent with any Thing in this Act contained, or contrary to any Law or Statute of that Part of the United Kingdom called *England*,) as the Nature of each particular Circumſtance ſhall ſeem to require, and from Time to Time to alter, vary, revoke, or make void any of their Rules, Orders, Regulations, and Bye-Laws at their Diſcretion, and do ſuch other Things as to them ſhall ſeem neceſſary and expedient for putting this Act and every Part thereof into Execution, which Rules, Orders, Regulations, and Bye Laws, ſo as aforeſaid to be from Time to Time made, ſhall be valid and effectual to all Intents and Purpoſes; and all and every ſuch Officer and Officers as aforeſaid ſhall obſerve and obey the ſame in all Things touching their reſpective Offices, on Pain of forfeiting any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings for every Default in the due Obſervance thereof: Provided always, That Two Copies of the ſeveral Rules, Orders, Regulations, and Bye Laws by this Act authoriſed to be made, ſhall be fairly written out or printed and ſigned by the Clerk to the ſaid Commiſſioners, and that public Notice thereof ſhall be given by affixing ſuch Copies on the Doors of the Pariſh Church of *Saint Mary* Five Days at leaſt before any ſuch Rule, Order, Regulation, or Bye Law ſhall be executed or take effect; and ſuch Rules, Orders, Regulations, and Bye Laws ſhall be ſubject to Appeal in Manner herein-after mentioned.

Bye Laws to be ſigned by the Clerk to the Commiſſioners, and affixed on the Church Doors.

Commiſſioners may appoint Watchmen.

LII. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall be and they are hereby authoriſed and empowered from Time to Time, and at any Time or Times after the third *Wedneſday* after the paſſing of this Act, if they ſhall think proper, when the new Pitching and Pavement of the ſaid Streets, Lanes, public Paſſages and Places ſhall have been completed, or the old Pitching or Pavement thereof ſhall, to their Satisfaction and Judgement, have been ſufficiently amended, and the ſaid Streets, Lanes, public Paſſages and Places ſhall to their Judgment be ſufficiently lighted, and not before, to appoint a proper Number of fit and able bodied Men to patrole, watch, and guard the ſaid Streets, Lanes, Paſſages, and Places, and to make ſuch Allowance to ſuch Watchmen for their Trouble and Attendance, and to give ſuch Orders and Directions concerning the Manner in which the ſaid Watchmen ſhall be armed and ſtationed for the due and regular Performance of the ſaid Service as the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall judge proper and expedient, and from Time to Time to remove any of the ſaid Watchmen and appoint others in their Stead: And it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Watchmen ſo to be appointed as aforeſaid, or any of them, and they are hereby reſpectively authoriſed, directed and required to apprehend and ſecure in the Watch-houſes or ſome Place of Safety all ſuſpicious Perſons, Proſtitutes, Night-walkers, and Perſons miſbehaving themſelves during the Time of keeping Ward and Watch, and to carry all ſuch Perſons, as ſoon as conveniently may be, before ſome Juſtice of the Peace for the ſaid County, reſiding in the ſaid Town, to be examined and dealt with according to Law.

Duty of Watchmen.

Watchmen's Boxes.

LIII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Commiſſioners, from Time to Time, to place and fix Boxes againſt the Sides of Houſes, Buildings, and proper Places in the Streets, Lanes, and Paſſages in the ſaid Town, proper for the Uſe and Accommodation of Watchmen, in caſe they ſhall think proper to appoint Watchmen for the Safety and Protection of the Inhabitants thereof, and in caſe any Perſon or Perſons ſhall interrupt, damage, or injure ſuch Boxes when ſo fixed, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall forfeit and pay any Sum of Money not exceeding Forty Shillings.

Watch-houſes to be erected.

LIV. And whereas it may be neceſſary, for the Purpoſes of this Act, to erect Watch-houſes within the ſaid Town, be it therefore enacted, That the ſaid Commiſſioners may and are hereby empowered, if they ſhall think it neceſſary, to purchaſe, rent, or hire, for any Term of Years, convenient Places or Pieces of Ground within the ſaid Town, for ſuch Price, Rent, or Term as can be agreed upon, for the Purpoſe of erecting Watch-houſes, and ſhall and may there erect and build One or more ſufficient Watch-houſes, with convenient Places of Confinement, and that from and after the Erection of ſuch Watch-houſes, it ſhall and may be lawful to confine therein ſuch Perſons and Offenders as may lawfully be apprehended and confined by virtue of the Powers and Authorities given by this Act.

Victuallers not to ſuffer Watchmen to be in their Houſe during the Hours of Duty.

LV. And be it further enacted, That if any Victualler, or Keeper of a Public Houſe, ſhall knowingly and willingly harbour or entertain any Watchman belonging to the ſaid Town, or permit or ſuffer any ſuch Watchman to remain in ſuch his or her Public Houſe, during any Part of the Time appointed for their being on Duty as aforeſaid, every ſuch Victualler or Keeper of a Public Houſe ſhall, for ſuch Offence, forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Commiſſioners to make Rates.

LVI. And for raiſing Money towards anſwering and defraying the Charges and Expences of obtaining and paſſing this Act, and carrying the ſame into Execution, be it further enacted, That the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall, and are hereby authoriſed and required, once in every Year, to rate and aſſeſs any Sum not exceeding One Shilling in the Pound, upon, or in reſpect of all Houſes, Wharfs, Buildings, Out-houſes, Yards, Gardens, and Hereditaments within the Town of *Swanſea*, and the Limits of the Town, for the Purpoſes of this Act, to be aſcertained, and ſettled from Time to Time, by the ſaid Commiſſioners; and the firſt Year for which ſuch Rates or Aſſeſſments ſhall be made, ſhall commence at, and be computed from the Firſt Day of *January* One thouſand eight hundred and nine; and the Monies ſo to be rated or aſſeſſed ſhall from Time to Time be annually paid to the Collector or Collectors to be appointed as aforeſaid; and in order the better to aſcertain, and make ſuch Rates or Aſſeſſments, the Church Wardens, or Overſeers of the Poor of the Town of *Swanſea* ſhall, and are hereby required, at all ſeaſonable Times, to permit the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any of them and their Clerk, and alſo the ſaid Collectors to peruſe and inſpect the Rates and Aſſeſſments made for the Relief of the ſaid Poor, for the Year then next preceding, and to take a Copy or Copies thereof; and every ſuch Church Warden or Overſeer

ſeer refuſing to comply therewith ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Pounds for every Time he ſhall ſo refuſe.

Occupiers to pay Rates.

LVII. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments ſhall be borne and defrayed by the reſpective Tenants and Occupiers of the ſeveral Houſes and other Buildings, Wharfs, Yards, Gardens, Tenements and Hereditaments, to be rated or aſſeſſed, by virtue of this Act: Provided always, That if any ſuch Tenant or Occupier as aforeſaid, by Reaſon of his or her Poverty only, is, or ſhall be excuſed from Payment of the Rates made for the Relief of the Poor of the Pariſh, or Diſtrict wherein he or ſhe ſhall reſide, or by Reaſon aforeſaid ſhall not be charged therewith, then, and in every ſuch Caſe, ſuch Tenant or Occupier ſhall be entirely freed and exempted from Payment of the Rates or Aſſeſſments to be laid or charged by virtue of this Act, in reſpect of ſuch Houſe, Building, Wharf, Yard, Garden, Tenements or Hereditaments; provided always, that no Perſon rated or paying under this Act to the ſaid Rate, ſhall thereby gain a Settlement in the ſaid Town; and provided alſo, that no Houſe or Building within the ſaid Town, ſhall be charged or chargeable with any ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment as aforeſaid, during the Time the ſame ſhall be empty or unoccupied.

Perſons exempted from Payments of Rates.

No Charge on empty Houſes.

For better Recovery of Rates on Houſes let on ſmall Rents, or to weekly Lodgers, or in ſeparate Apartments, or ready-furniſhed.

LVIII. And whereas divers Houſes, Tenements, and Hereditaments within the ſaid Town are let at ſmall Rents, or to weekly or monthly Tenants, or entirely let out in Lodgings or ſeparate Apartments, or let ready furniſhed, and the Collection of the Rates charged by virtue of this Act from ſuch Houſes, Tenements, and Hereditaments, may be attended with much Difficulty, and has frequently been evaded, ſo that conſiderable Loſs has on that Account been ſuſtained by the ſaid Town; for Remedy whereof, be it enacted, That where the yearly Rent or Value of any ſuch Houſe, Tenement, or Hereditament, ſhall not exceed Five Pounds, and the Rents thereof ſhall become payable at any ſhorter Periods than quarterly, or where the Houſes, Tenements, or Hereditaments, ſhall be let to weekly or monthly Tenants, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners (if they ſhall think proper) to compound with the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners, of all and every or any ſuch Houſe and Houſes, Tenement or Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the ſaid Town, for Payment of any Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments to be made by virtue of this Act, at ſuch a reduced yearly Rental or Rate as the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall think reaſonable, ſo that ſuch Houſes, Tenements, or Hereditaments be not rated at leſs than Two-thirds nor more than Four-fifths of the Rack Rent at which the ſame ſhall then be let, or of the annual Value of the ſaid Premiſes reſpectively; and the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of ſuch Houſes, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as ſhall not exceed the yearly Rent of Five Pounds, and from whence the Rents ſhall become due at any ſhorter Periods than Quarterly, or as ſhall be let to weekly or monthly Tenants, is and are hereby enabled to enter into ſuch Compoſition with the ſaid Commiſſioners; and in caſe ſuch Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners, ſhall refuſe or object to enter into ſuch Compoſition, ſuch Landlord or Landlords, Owner and Owners, ſhall from thenceforth be deemed and taken to be the Occupier or Occupiers of ſuch Premiſes, and ſhall thereupon be rated to, and from Time to Time ſhall pay or cauſe to be paid, the ſeveral Rates or Aſſeſſments charged upon their reſpective Premiſes by virtue of this Act, unto the Collectors

Collectors for the Time being, who are hereby authorized and empowered to collect and receive the ſame, and upon Nonpayment thereof to levy the ſame, by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of the reſpective Premiſes aforeſaid, whereſoever they ſhall be found, in like Manner as any Rate or Aſſeſſment may be raiſed, levied, or collected by virtue of this Act: Provided always, that no ſuch Landlord or Owner ſhall be charged with or liable to pay for any increaſed Rent reſerved or made payable to him, for or on Account of ſuch Landlord or Owner having agreed to pay the ſeveral Rates and Aſſeſſments, heretofore chargeable upon the Occupier; and where any Houſe, Tenement, or Hereditament ſhall be let out in Lodgings or ſeparate Apartments, or ready furniſhed, the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of all ſuch Premiſes, ſhall be deemed and taken to be the Occupier or Occupiers thereof, and ſhall be rated to, and pay the Rates or Aſſeſſments made by virtue of this Act, in reſpect of all ſuch Houſes, Tenements, and Hereditaments.

Tenants liable to pay Rates, and deduct ſame out of Rents.

LIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Goods and Chattels of any Perſon or Perſons renting or occupying any ſuch Houſe, Tenement, or Hereditament, or any Part or Parts thereof, the Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments of which the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners, is or are hereby made ſubject or liable to pay and diſcharge as aforeſaid, ſhall be ſubject and liable at all Times to be diſtrained by the Landlord or Landlords and ſold for Payment of ſo much of the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments, and of all Arrears thereof, which accrued and became due on the ſaid Premiſes during the Time of their Occupancy only; but no Occupier or Occupiers ſhall at any Time pay or be liable to pay any greater Sum, for or towards the Diſcharge of the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments, and Arrears thereof, than the Amount of the Rent due and payable by ſuch Occupier or Occupiers, to the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners of the Premiſes occupied by him, her, or them; and each and every ſuch Occupier or Occupiers who ſhall pay any ſuch Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, or upon whom the ſame ſhall be levied, ſhall and may, from Time to Time, deduct the ſame from the Rent due and payable from him, her, or them, to the reſpective Landlord or Owners or Owner thereof (unleſs there ſhall be ſome Agreement to the contrary between Landlord and Tenant); and the Receipt for ſuch Payment ſhall be a ſufficient Diſcharge to ſuch Tenant or Occupier, and to his, her, and their Landlord, for ſo much Money as he, ſhe, or they ſhall pay, in the Manner directed by this Act: Provided alſo, that no ſuch Tenant or Occupier, by Payment of any ſuch Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, in Manner aforeſaid, ſhall or may be deemed to acquire any Settlement in the ſaid Town; but that ſuch Landlord or Owner ſhall be deemed and conſtrued, to all Intents and Purpoſes, to have paid the ſame; any Law, Statute, or Uſage to the contrary thereof notwithſtanding.

Tenants not to gain Settlements.

Perſons removing, and others ſucceeding them.

LX. And be it further enacted, That in caſe any Perſon or Perſons ſhall remove out of or from, or quit the Poſſeſſion of any Houſe, Building, Land, Tenement, or Hereditament, before the Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, charged thereon reſpectively by virtue of this Act, ſhall be paid and diſcharged; or if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall enter into the Occupation of any Houſe, Building, Land, Tenement, or Hereditament, out of

of or from which any Perſon or Perſons ſhall have ſo removed before ſuch Rate or Rates, Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments, ſhall have been paid and diſcharged, then and in every ſuch Caſe the Perſon or Perſons ſo removing out of or from, or quitting the Poſſeſſion of, and the Perſon or Perſons entering into the Occupation of any ſuch Houſe, Building, Land, Tenement, or Hereditament, ſhall be reſpectively ſubject and liable to the Payment of all ſuch Rates or Aſſeſſments, in proportion to the Time that ſuch Perſon or Perſons reſpectively poſſeſſed or occupied the ſame reſpectively, in the ſame Manner as if the Perſon or Perſons ſo removing or quitting as aforeſaid, had remained in the Poſſeſſion and Occupation of ſuch Houſe, Building, Land, Tenement, or Hereditament, or the Perſon or Perſons ſo entering into the Occupation thereof, had been originally rated and aſſeſſed in ſuch Rates or Aſſeſſments, which Proportion ſhall, in caſe of Diſpute, be ſettled by any Two Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Glamorgan*, whoſe Determination ſhall be final.

Recovery of Rates.

LXI. And be it further enacted, That if the Tenant or Occupier of any Houſe, Wharf, Building, Out-houſe, Yard, Garden, Tenement, or Hereditament, upon, or in reſpect of which, any Rate or Aſſeſſment ſhall be laid, or made by virtue of this Act, or other Perſon, hereby made liable to the Payment of any ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment, ſhall neglect or refuſe to pay the Rates or Sums of Money which ſhall be ſo rated or aſſeſſed as aforeſaid, for the Space of Fourteen Days, after the ſame ſhall be due, and demand thereof made by Notice in Writing, under the Hand of the Collector or Collectors of the ſaid Rates, to be delivered to, or left at the Dwelling Houſe, or uſual Place of Abode, of ſuch Tenant or Occupier, or other Perſon, then upon Proof upon Oath, before any Juſtice of the Peace of the ſame County, the ſame ſhall, and may be levied and recovered by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of every ſuch Tenant or Occupier, or other Perſons therein inhabiting or occupying, by Warrant of ſuch Juſtice.

Appeal.

LXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Perſon ſhall think himſelf or herſelf aggrieved by any Rate or Aſſeſſment which ſhall be made in purſuance of this Act, he or ſhe (having firſt paid the ſaid Rate or Aſſeſſment) may apply to the ſaid Commiſſioners at their firſt Meeting to be holden after the demanding of ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment; and the ſaid Commiſſioners are hereby authorized and empowered, if they ſhall think ſuch Perſon aggrieved, to give ſuch Relief in the Premiſes as to them ſhall ſeem reaſonable, and if any Perſon ſhall be diſſatisfied with the Determination of the ſaid Commiſſioners therein, or if any Perſon ſhall think himſelf or herſelf aggrieved by any other Matter or Thing to be done, or by any Rule, Order, Bye-Law, or Regulation to be made in purſuance of this Act, every ſuch Perſon may appeal to the Juſtices at any General or Quarter Seſſions of the Peace to be holden for the County of *Glamorgan*, within Three Calendar Months next after the Cauſe of Complaint ſhall have ariſen, ſuch Appellant firſt giving Fourteen Days Notice at the leaſt in Writing of his or her Intention to bring ſuch Appeal, and of the Matter thereof, to the Clerk to the ſaid Commiſſioners, and within Four Days after ſuch Notice entering into a Recognizance before ſome Juſtice of the Peace of the ſaid County with Two ſufficient Sureties conditioned to try ſuch Appeal, and abide the Order of, and to pay ſuch Coſts as ſhall be awarded by the Juſtices at ſuch Seſſions,

ſions, and the Juſtices at ſuch Seſſions, upon due Proof of ſuch Notice being given as aforeſaid, and the entering into ſuch Recognizance, ſhall hear and finally determine the Cauſe and Matter of ſuch Appeal in a ſummary Way, and award ſuch Coſts, recoverable as in Caſes of Diſtreſs as aforeſaid, to the Party appealing or appealed againſt as they ſhall think proper; and their Determination thereon ſhall be final, binding and concluſive to all Parties, and to all Intents and Purpoſes.

Juſtices to amend Rates appealed againſt, without altering the other Rates.

LXIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That upon all Appeals from any of the Rates or Aſſeſſments to be made or impoſed by the Authority of this Act, the Juſtices of the Peace (where they ſhall ſee juſt Cauſe of Relief) ſhall and are hereby empowered to amend the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments in ſuch Manner only as ſhall be neceſſary for giving Relief to the Perſon or Perſons ſo appealing, without altering ſuch Rates or Aſſeſſments with reſpect to any other Perſon or Perſons mentioned in the ſame.

Directing the Manner of ſerving Notices.

LXIV. And be it further enacted, That in all Caſes where Notices or Summonſes are directed or required to be given by this Act, or where the ſame ſhall or may be neceſſary for carrying into Execution any of the Powers aforeſaid (the Manner of ſerving whereof is not particularly directed by this Act), the Delivery of any ſuch Notice or Summons, or a true Copy thereof, to the Perſon or Perſons to whom the ſame ſhall be directed, or to whom Notice ought to be given, or the leaving the ſame or a true Copy thereof, at his, her or their Dwelling-houſe or Dwelling-Houſes, uſual or laſt Place or Places of Abode, ſhall be a good and ſufficient Service of every ſuch Notice or Summons.

When the Inhabitants are indicted, the Fine to be paid by the Commiſſioners.

LXV. And be it further enacted, That when the Inhabitants of the ſaid Town ſhall be indicted or preſented for not repairing any Highway, Street, Lane, or other Public Paſſage or Place, and the Court before which ſuch Indictment or Preſentment ſhall be preferred, ſhall impoſe a Fine, Iſſue, Penalty, or Forfeiture on the Inhabitants for not repairing ſuch Highway, Street, Lane, or other Public Paſſage or Place, or not appearing to any ſuch Indictment or Preſentment, it ſhall be lawful for ſuch Court to order the Treaſurer of the ſaid Commiſſioners to pay the ſaid Fine, Iſſue, Penalty, or Forfeiture, together with the Coſts and Charges attending the ſame, out of the Money then in his Hands, or next to be received by him, which Order ſhall be binding upon ſuch Treaſurer, and he is hereby authorized and required to obey the ſame.

General Highway Act to remain in force.

LXVI. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Commiſſioners, from and after the paſſing of this Act, ſhall be inveſted with all and ſingular the Powers, Proviſoes, and Authorities, and in the Receipt and Poſſeſſion of the Compoſitions, Rates, Aſſeſſments, Fines, and Penalties, given and granted in and by an Act of Parliament paſſed in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act to explain, amend, and reduce into One Act of Parliament, the Statutes now in being for the Amendment and Preſervation of the public Highways, within that Part of Great Britan called England, and for other Purpoſes*; or any Act of Parliament paſſed for explaining, amending, or altering the ſaid Act, and the Surveyor or Surveyors, Collector or Collectors, to be by the ſaid

Commiſſioners

Commiſſioners appointed by virtue of this Act, ſhall have the ſame Powers as by the ſaid Acts are given to the Surveyors of Highways.

Surveyors of the Highways to produce their Accounts to the Commiſſioners.

LXVII. And be it further enacted, That the preſent Surveyors of the Highways of the ſaid Town and Franchiſe of *Swanſea*, ſhall, on a Day to be appointed by the ſaid Commiſſioners, reſpectively meet the ſaid Commiſſioners at ſuch Place within the ſaid Town, as they the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall direct, and produce their reſpective Accounts for the Highways, from the Time of their entering into the Office of Surveyor to the Day of Meeting, for the Inſpection of the ſaid Commiſſioners, and the ſaid Commiſſioners are hereby authorized and directed to examine and audit ſuch Accounts, and the ſaid Surveyors are hereby reſpectively directed and required to pay into the Hands of the Treaſurer of the ſaid Commiſſioners, or ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint, Two Third Parts of all ſuch Sum and Sums of Money (if any) as ſhall appear upon the Examination of ſuch Accounts reſpectively, to be the Balance or Balances thereof remaining in the Hands of the ſaid Surveyors reſpectively, to be applied for the Purpoſes of this Act, and from and after the Examination and Settling of the ſaid Accounts and Payment of ſuch Monies (if any) that ſhall be the Balance or Balances of the ſaid Accounts, the Office of Surveyor of the Highways for the ſaid Town and Franchiſe of *Swanſea*, ſo far as relates to the ſaid Town, ſhall be determined, and all Rates and Aſſeſſments then made and aſſeſſed upon the Occupiers or Poſſeſſors of any Houſes, Tenements, and Hereditaments within the ſaid Town, for or in reſpect of defraying the Expences attending the repairing and amending the Highways within the ſaid Town, ſhall be collected by ſuch Perſon or Perſons as the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, to be applied excluſively for the Purpoſes of this Act.

Aſſeſſments to be made on all Occupiers.

LXVIII. And whereas doubts have ariſen whether certain Houſes within the ſaid Town are aſſeſſable towards the Repairs of the Highways, be it therefore enacted, That as well the Highway Aſſeſſments as alſo the Aſſeſſments to be made under the Authority of this Act, ſhall be made, collected, and levied upon all and ſingular the Occupiers of Houſes, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments within the ſaid Town, notwithſtanding any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary.

Commiſſioners may borrow Money.

LXIX. And for the more effectually enabling the ſaid Commiſſioners to execute the Purpoſes of this Act, be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, and they are hereby empowered from Time to Time, when they ſhall judge neceſſary for the Purpoſe of carrying this Act into Execution, to borrow and take up at Intereſt any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the Whole the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds, upon the Credit of the Rates or Aſſeſſments by this Act granted and made payable, or authorized to be collected or received, and by any Writing or Writings under their Hands and Seals, to mortgage, demiſe, grant, or aſſign over the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments, or any Part or Parts thereof, to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall advance or lend ſuch Money, or to his or their Truſtee or Truſtees, as a Security or Securities for the Money ſo to be borrowed, together with Intereſt for the ſame, and every ſuch Mortgage or Aſſignment may be in the Words, or to the Effect following; *videlicet*,

BY

Form of Aſſignment.

'BY virtue of an Act of Parliament paſſed in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty King *George* the Third, intituled [*ſet forth the Title of this Act*] We, being of the Commiſſioners appointed by and in purſuance of the ſaid Act in conſideration of the Sum of advanced and lent by *A. B.* upon the Credit and for the Purpoſes of the ſaid Act, do grant, bargain, ſell, and demiſe unto the ſaid *A. B.* his Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns, ſuch Proportion of the Rates or Aſſeſſments ariſing by virtue of the ſaid Act, as the ſaid Sum of doth or ſhall bear to the whole Sum which may at any Time be borrowed or become due, and owing or charged upon the Credit of the ſaid Act to be had and holden from this Day of in the Year until the ſaid Sum of with Intereſt at *per Centum* per Annum for the ſame, ſhall be paid and ſatisfied.'

And every ſuch Mortgage or Aſſignment ſhall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law, and all Perſons to whom ſuch Mortgages or Aſſignments ſhall be made, or who ſhall be entitled to the Money thereby ſecured, ſhall be in Proportion to the Sums therein reſpectively mentioned, Creditors on the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments equally one with another, without any Preference in reſpect of the Priority of advancing any ſuch Money, or the Dates of any ſuch Mortgages or Aſſignments.

Money may be raiſed by Annuities.

LXX. And be it further enacted, That in caſe the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall think it adviſeable or more advantageous to raiſe all or any Part of the Money neceſſary for the Purpoſes of this Act, by the granting of Annuities for the Life or Lives of any Perſon or Perſons, then it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners or any Five of them, and they are hereby authorized and empowered by Writing under their Hands and Seals to grant any Annuity or Annuities to any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall contribute, advance, and pay into the Hands of the Treaſurer to the ſaid Commiſſioners any Sum or Sums of Money for the abſolute Purchaſe of any ſuch Annuity or Annuities, to be paid and payable during the natural Life of every ſuch Contributor, or the natural Life or Lives of ſuch Perſon or Perſons as ſhall be nominated by or on the Behalf of ſuch Contributor at the Time of the Payment of his or her Contribution or Purchaſe-Money on the ſame Terms and Conditions, and ſubject to the ſame Rules and Regulations as Annuities have been or may be granted under and by virtue of an Act paſſed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for the enabling the Commiſſioners for the Redemption of the National Debt to grant Life Annuities*; ſo far as the ſame are applicable, and ſo that the whole Money to be raiſed upon Mortgage, and by the granting of Annuities as aforeſaid, do not exceed the ſaid Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds, and the Grant of every ſuch Annuity may be in the Words, or to the Effect following:

'WE being of the Commiſſioners appointed by, or in purſuance of an Act of Parliament made in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, intituled (*ſet forth*

'*the*

‘*the Title of this Act*), in conſideration of the Sum of
‘ paid by to the Treaſurer ap-
‘pointed in purſuance of the ſaid Act, do hereby grant unto the
‘ſaid Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſ-
‘ſigns, an Annuity, or yearly Sum of
‘out of the Rates or Aſſeſſments granted, or ariſing by virtue of the
‘ſaid Act; which Annuity, or yearly Sum ſhall be paid to the ſaid
‘ Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſ-
‘ſigns, at upon the
‘in every Year, during the natural Life (or Lives, *as the Caſe may*
‘*be*), of and the Firſt Payment thereof ſhall be
‘made upon the next enſuing the Date
‘of theſe Preſents. In Witneſs whereof, we have hereunto ſet our
‘Hands and Seals, the Day of
‘in the Year of our Lord

And every ſuch Grant, ſhall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law, and every Annuity ſo to be granted as aforeſaid, ſhall be, and is hereby charged upon, and ſhall be payable and paid out of the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments; and the Purchaſer of every ſuch Annuity, his or her Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns, ſhall have, receive, and be entitled to ſuch Annuity out of the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments, during the Term of the natural Life or Lives of the Perſon or Perſons for whoſe Life or Lives ſuch Annuity ſhall be purchaſed; and every ſuch Annuity or Intereſt Money due by Mortgage as aforeſaid, ſhall be payable and paid by the Treaſurer to the ſaid Commiſſioners by equal half-yearly Payments: Provided nevertheleſs, that before any Money ſhall be borrowed, or Annuity be granted as aforeſaid, Fourteen Days Notice at the leaſt ſhall be given in ſome Newſpaper uſually publiſhed or circulated within the ſaid Town, ſignifying the Intention of borrowing ſuch Money, or granting ſuch Annuities.

LXXI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the Perſons entitled to any of the Securities for the Money borrowed or raiſed by Mortgage, and for the Annuities granted as aforeſaid, and their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns, at any Time by Writing under their Hands and Seals, to transfer ſuch Securities to any Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, which Transfer may be in the Words or to the Effect following: Securities may be aſſigned.

‘I being entitled to the Sum of
‘ (or an Annuity of) ſecured
‘to Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns by virtue of a
‘Mortgage or Aſſignment (or Grant of Annuity) bearing Date the
‘ Day of under the Hands and Seals of
‘of the Commiſſioners acting in the Execution of a certain Act of Par-
‘liament made in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of His Majeſty
‘King *George* the Third, intituled [*ſet forth the Title of this Act*] upon
‘the Credit, or ariſing out of the Rates or Aſſeſſments granted and made
‘payable by the ſaid Act, do hereby transfer all my Right and Title in
‘and to the ſame, and all Intereſt or other Money now due and owing
‘thereon, unto Executors, Adminiſtrators,
‘and Aſſigns. Dated the Day of

And Copies or Extracts of all Mortgages or Aſſignments, and Grants of Annuities which ſhall be made in purſuance of this Act, and Extracts or Memorials of all Transfers thereof, ſhall be entered in a Book to be kept for that Purpoſe by the Clerk to the ſaid Commiſſioners, which Extracts or Memorials ſhall ſpecify and contain the Dates, Names of the Parties, and the Sums of Money thereby transferred, to which Book any Perſon intereſted ſhall at all ſeaſonable Times have Acceſs, and ſhall have free Liberty to inſpect the ſame without Fee or Reward, and for the Entry of every ſuch Transfer the ſaid Clerk ſhall be paid by the Perſon to whom ſuch Transfer ſhall be made the Sum of Five Shillings and no more; and after ſuch Entry made of any ſuch Transfer, every ſuch Transfer ſo entered ſhall entitle the Perſon to whom the ſame ſhall be made, and his, her, or their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns, to the Benefit of the Security thereby transferred.

Application of Money.

LXXII. And be it further enacted, That all the Monies to ariſe by or from the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments hereby granted, and authorized or directed to be made, collected, or levied, and which may be borrowed on the Credit thereof, or advanced for Annuities thereupon as aforeſaid, and alſo all other Money which ſhall come to the Hands, Cuſtody, or Power of the ſaid Commiſſioners or their Treaſurer by virtue or for the Purpoſes of this Act, ſhall be applied and diſpoſed of in the firſt Place in the Payment and Diſcharge of all Coſts, Charges, and Expences incident to and attending the obtaining and paſſing this Act, and afterwards from Time to Time in paying and diſcharing the Intereſt and Principal of the Monies to be borrowed and the Annuities to be granted as aforeſaid by virtue of this Act, and towards defraying the Charges and Expences of paving and repairing the Pavements of the ſeveral Streets, Lanes, and other Paſſages and Places within the ſaid Town, and in cleaning, lighting, and watching the ſeveral Streets, and other Public Paſſages and Places aforeſaid, and all other Charges and Expences of carrying this Act into Execution, and to and for no other Uſe, Intent, or Purpoſe whatſoever.

Mode of paying off Mortgages.

LXXIII. And in order that no undue Preference may be given in the Paying off any of the ſaid Mortgages, be it further enacted, That when the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall think proper to pay off any of the ſaid Mortgages, they ſhall cauſe the Numbers of all the Mortgages which ſhall be then in force, and of the Claſs and Amount then deſigned to be paid off, to be put into a Box or Glaſs, and ſo many Numbers of the ſame ſhall be drawn out of the ſaid Box or Glaſs by the Clerk to the ſaid Commiſſioners, in the Preſence of Five or more of the ſaid Commiſſioners, as ſhall make up the Sum then intended to be paid off, and that Six Calendar Months Notice in Writing, ſigned by the ſaid Clerk, ſhall be given to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be entitled to receive the Money ſecured by the Mortgage or Mortgages ſo drawn out, or left at his, her, or their laſt or moſt uſual Place of Abode, that his, her, or their Mortgage or Mortgages will be paid off, and that at the Expiration of the ſaid Six Calendar Months to be computed from the Day of ſuch Notice being given or left as aforeſaid, all Intereſt on the Mortgage or Mortgages ſo drawn out ſhall ceaſe and determine.

LXXIV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That in caſe any Sum or Sums of

of Money shall be borrowed and taken up at Interest on the Credit of the Rates or Assessments hereby authorised to be made, that then and in every such Case, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners to cause One-twentieth Part of the Money which may be borrowed for the Purposes of this Act, together with such Saving from the said Rates or Assessments as shall at the End of every Year appear to have arisen and remain unapplied, after all the Purposes of this Act to that Time shall have been answered and satisfied, from Time to Time when the same shall amount to Three hundred Pounds or upwards, to be vested in the Purchase of Stocks or Annuities in the Public Funds, in the Name of the said Treasurer for the Time being, and to cause the Interest, Dividends, Proceeds, and Produce thereof when, and as the same shall arise or become due and be received from Time to Time, to be also laid out and invested in like Manner as soon as may be, in the Purchase of the like Stocks or Annuities, so that a Fund may be thereby provided for the Satisfaction and Discharge of the Principal Money to be borrowed under or by virtue of the Powers of this Act, and when such accumulated Fund shall amount to a sufficient Sum for that Purpose, to cause the Stocks or Annuities wherein the same shall or may be then invested, to be sold and disposed of, and by and out of the Money arising from the Sale thereof, all and every the Sum and Sums of Money which may have been borrowed under or by virtue of the Powers of this Act shall be wholly paid off and discharged: Provided always, That in case the said Commissioners assembled at any such Meeting as aforesaid, shall determine, or see Occasion for the raising of any further Sum or Sums of Money for the Purposes of lighting, cleansing, and watching the said Town, and such accumulating Sum as aforesaid shall then amount to and be capable of raising on such Sale thereof One thousand Pounds or upwards, that then the said Commissioners shall be at liberty to direct the Stocks or Annuities whereon the same may be invested, to be sold and disposed of, and to apply the Money arising from the Sale thereof for all or any such last mentioned Purposes: Provided also, That from and after the Period that the whole of the Money so borrowed and taken up at Interest, under and by virtue of the Powers of this Act as aforesaid shall have been fully paid off and discharged by the Ways and Means hereinbefore appointed for that Purpose, then and in such Case it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners assembled at any such Meeting as aforesaid, if they shall see Occasion, to raise any further Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding the Sum herein-before allowed to be borrowed in Manner aforesaid on the Credits of the Rates or Assessments hereby authorized to be made for the like Purposes as the Money which may have been originally borrowed and taken up at Interest thereon, shall or may be applied under and by virtue of the Powers of this Act, and with the like Provision for an accumulating Fund for the Discharge thereof, but so nevertheless that there shall not at any one Time be more than the Sum of One Shilling in the Pound charged upon the said Rates or Assessments.

For providing a Fund for paying off Securities.

LXXV. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners shall, upon the First Day of *January* in every Year, or within Three Months then next following, cause a fair and true Account to be made and drawn out in Writing of all the Monies received and paid in pursuance of this Act, and to whom and for what Purposes and at what Times the same have been paid, laid out and expended, and such Account, or a Copy or Duplicate thereof, signed by the said Commissioners,

Accounts to be annually made out.

missioners, shall be deposited with and kept by their Clerk, who is hereby required to permit any Person charged with the Payment of any of the said Rates or Assessments to inspect the same at any seasonable Time, without paying any Thing for such Inspection, and an Abstract of such Account shall also be published annually in some Newspaper usually circulating in the said Town.

Commissioners not answerable in their private Capacity;

but to be subject to Rates.

LXXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted and declared, That no Contract which shall be made by the said Commissioners for any of the Purposes of this Act shall be binding upon the said Commissioners as Individuals, or in their private Capacity, nor shall any of the said Commissioners personally, or their respective Estates, be answerable for or subject to the Payment of any of the Mortgages or Annuities to be granted in pursuance of this Act; and that all Money which shall be expended by or recovered against any of the said Commissioners, or any Person or Persons employed by them, by means of any Action, Prosecution, or Appeal, to be brought by or against them, or any of them, touching the Execution of this Act, shall be borne and defrayed out of the Money which shall come to the Hands of the Treasurer to the said Commissioners, or any other Person by virtue of this Act: Provided nevertheless, That nothing herein contained shall extend to exonerate or discharge any of the said Commissioners, their Houses, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods, Chattels, or Effects from the Payment of the Rates or Assessments to be raised by virtue of this Act.

Recovery of Penalties.

LXXVII. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures by this Act imposed, the Manner of levying and recovering whereof is not hereby otherwise particularly directed, and the Costs and Charges of levying the same, shall be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Offender or Offenders, rendering the Overplus (if any) on such Distress, to such Offender or Offenders, by Warrant of any Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Glamorgan*, or other County where the said Offender shall reside, which Warrant such Justice is hereby empowered to grant upon the Confession of the Party or Parties, or upon the Information of any credible Witness upon Oath, and all such Penalties and Forfeitures when recovered, shall, if not otherwise directed to be applied by this Act, be paid One Half to the Informer or Informers, and the other Half to the Treasurer to the said Commissioners, and in case of there being no Informer, or such Informer being a Commissioner appointed under this Act, then the whole shall be paid to the said Treasurer, such Payments to the said Treasurer to be applied for the Purposes of this Act; and in case sufficient Distress shall not be found, or such Penalties and Forfeitures shall not be paid forthwith, it shall be lawful for such Justice, and he is hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to cause the Offender or Offenders to be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction for such County, there to remain, without Bail or Mainprize, for any Time not exceeding Three Calendar Months, nor less than Seven Days, unless such Penalties and Forfeitures, and all reasonable Charges attending the Recovery thereof, shall be sooner paid and satisfied.

LXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases, in the Execution of this Act, where any Matter or Thing is directed to be done, enquired of,

or

or examined into, upon the Oath of any Witneſs or Witneſſes, or other Perſon or Perſons, before the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any of them, or any Juſtice of the Peace, ſuch Commiſſioners or Juſtice are or is hereby authorized to adminiſter ſuch Oath to ſuch Witneſs or Witneſſes, or other Perſon or Perſons, and that in caſe of the Party or Parties from whom ſuch Oath may be required, being of the People commonly called *Quakers*, an Affirmation may be made and taken inſtead of ſuch Oath. Commiſſioners and Juſtices to adminiſter Oaths.

LXXIX. And be it further enacted, That any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be convicted of wilfully taking a falſe Oath or Affirmation, in any of the Caſes in which an Oath or Affirmation is by this Act directed or required to be taken, ſhall be liable to the Pains and Penalties to which Perſons are liable for wilful and corrupt Perjury. Penalty on taking falſe Oaths.

LXXX. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall think himſelf, herſelf, or themſelves aggrieved by Reaſon of any Judgement, Conviction, or Determination of any Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace acting in Execution of this Act, or by Reaſon of any of the Bye-Laws, Rules, Orders, and Regulations of the ſaid Commiſſioners by this Act authorized to be made, he, ſhe, or they may alſo appeal to the next General or Quarter Seſſions of the Peace to be holden for the ſaid County which ſhall happen next after the Expiration of Fourteen Days after ſuch Judgement, Conviction, or Determination; in every or either of ſuch Caſe, ſuch Appellant or Appellants firſt giving or cauſing to be given Eight Days Notice at leaſt, in Writing, of his, her, or their Intention to bring ſuch Appeal, and of the Matter thereof, to the Clerk or Clerks to the ſaid Commiſſioners, and within Two Days after ſuch Notice, entering into a Recognizance in the Sum of Twenty Pounds, with Two Sureties in the Sum of Ten Pounds each, before ſome Juſtice of the Peace for the ſaid County conditioned for proſecuting ſuch Appeal, and to abide the Order of, and to pay ſuch Coſts as ſhall be awarded by the Juſtices at ſuch General or Quarter Seſſions; and the ſaid Juſtices at ſuch General or Quarter Seſſions, upon due Proof of ſuch Notice given as aforeſaid, and of entering into ſuch Recognizance, ſhall hear and determine the Cauſe and Matters of ſuch Appeal in a ſummary Way, and award ſuch Satisfaction and Coſts to the Party or Parties appealing or appealed againſt, as they the ſaid Juſtices ſhall think proper; and the Determination of ſuch Juſtices ſhall be final, binding, and concluſive. General Appeal to Seſſions.

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

'BE it remembered, That on the Day of in the Year of the Reign of His Majeſty
'*A. B.* is convicted before of His Majeſty's Juſtices
'of the Peace, for the County of by Virtue of an Act of
'Parliament made in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of His
'Majeſty King *George* the Third, intituled *(here inſert the Title of this*
'*Act, and ſpecify the Offence and the Evidence thereof, and the Time and*
'*Place when and where the ſame was committed, as the Caſe ſhall be)*.
'Given under my Hand and Seal, the Day and Year aforeſaid."

Inhabitants may be Witneſſes.

LXXXII. And be it further enacted, That in all Actions, Proſecutions, Informations, Cauſes and Proceedings whatſoever relating to or concerning the Execution of this Act, none of the ſaid Commiſſioners, nor any Inhabitant within the ſaid Borough, Town or Liberties thereof, ſhall be deemed incompetent by Reaſon of his being rated and aſſeſſed to or paying any Rate or Aſſeſſment by virtue of this Act; and every Juſtice as aforeſaid, on any Complaint as aforeſaid, may ſummon before him any competent Witneſs, under a Penalty not exceeding Forty Shillings, to be paid by any ſuch Witneſs ſo ſummoned and making Default, without ſufficient Excuſe to be allowed by ſuch Juſtice, and ſhall give reaſonable Coſts to the Plaintiff or Defendant on the Determination of every ſuch Complaint, which Coſts ſhall be levied and paid as in Caſes of Diſtreſs for Non-payment of any Penalty impoſed by this Act.

Diſtreſs not unlawful for Want of Form.

LXXXIII. 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 the Summons, Conviction, Warrant of Diſtreſs, or other Proceedings relating thereunto, nor ſhall the Party or Parties diſtraining be deemed a Treſpaſſer or Treſpaſſers *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 ſhall and may recover full Satisfaction for the ſpecial Damage in an Action upon the Caſe.

Orders not to be quaſhed for Want of Form.

Not removeable by Certiorari.

LXXXIV. And be it further enacted, That no Order, Judgement, or other Proceeding made, touching or concerning any of the Matters aforeſaid, or touching or concerning the Conviction or Convictions of any Offender or Offenders againſt this Act, ſhall be quaſhed or vacated for Want of Form only, or be removed or removeable by *Certiorari*, or any other Writ or Proceſs whatſoever into any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record, any Law or Statute to the contrary thereof in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

No Proceſs ſhall iſſue unleſs previous Notice ſhall have been given.

LXXXV. And be it further enacted, that no Writ ſhall be ſued out againſt, nor any Copy of any Proceſs, at the Suit of any Perſon or Perſons, ſhall be ſerved on any Commiſſioner or Commiſſioners named or appointed in or by virtue of this Act, or againſt any other Perſon or Perſons for any Thing done in purſuance of and by the Authority of this Act, until Notice in Writing of ſuch intended Writ or Proceſs ſhall have been delivered to ſuch Commiſſioner or Commiſſioners, or other Perſon or Perſons, and alſo to the Clerk of the ſaid Commiſſioners, or left at his and their uſual Place or Places of Abode, by the Attorney or Agent of the Party intending to ſue, or cauſe the ſame to be ſued out and ſerved at leaſt Fourteen Days before the ſuing out and ſerving the ſame, in which Notice ſhall be contained the Names and Places of Abode of the Party or Parties intending to ſue, and the Cauſe of Action which ſuch Party or Parties hath or have, or claimeth or claim to have againſt ſuch Commiſſioner or Commiſſioners, Perſon or Perſons, on which ſaid Notice the Name of ſuch Attorney or Agent, together with the Place of his Abode, ſhall be indorſed or under-wrote.

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LXXXVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for such Commissioner or Commissioners, Person or Persons, at any Time within Ten Days after such Notice given or left as aforesaid, to tender Amends to the Party or Parties complaining, or to his, her, or their Agent or Attorney, and in case the same is not accepted, to plead such Tender in bar to any Action to be brought against him or them, grounded on such Writ or Process, together with the General Issue of Not Guilty, and any other Plea with the Leave of the Court, and if upon Issue joined thereon the Jury shall find the Amends so tendered to have been sufficient, then they shall give a Verdict for the Defendant or Defendants, and in such Case, or in case the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall become non-suited, or shall discontinue his, her, or their Action, or in case Judgement shall be given for such Defendant or Defendants on Demurrer, such Defendant or Defendants shall be entitled to the like Costs as he or they would have been entitled to in case he or they had pleaded the General Issue only, and if upon Issue so joined the Jury shall find that no Amends were tendered, or that the same were not sufficient, and also against the Defendant or Defendants, or such other Plea or Pleas, then they shall give a Verdict for the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, and such Damages as they shall think proper, which he, she or they shall recover, together with his, her, or their Costs of Suit.

Tender of sufficient Amends may be pleaded in bar to such Action.

LXXXVII. And be it further enacted, That no such Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall recover any Verdict against such Commissioner or Commissioners, Person or Persons, in any Case where the Action shall be grounded on any Act of the Defendant or Defendants in pursuance of this Act, and by the Authority thereof, unless it is proved on the Trial of such Action that such Notice was given as aforesaid, but in Default thereof such Defendant or Defendants shall recover a Verdict and Costs as aforesaid.

Plaintiff not to recover without Proof of Notice.

LXXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Commissioner or Commissioners, Person or Persons, shall neglect to tender any Amends, or shall have tendered insufficient Amends, before the Action brought, it shall be lawful for him or them, by Leave of the Court where such Action shall depend at any Time before Issue joined, to pay into Court such Sum of Money as he or they shall think fit, whereupon such Proceedings, Orders, and Judgements shall be had, made, and given in and by such Court as in other Actions where the Defendant is allowed to pay Money into Court.

Commissioners neglecting to tender, to be at Liberty to pay Money into Court.

LXXXIX. And be it further enacted, That no Evidence shall be given by the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs on the Trial of such Action as aforesaid, of any Cause of Action, except such as is contained in the Notice hereby directed to be given.

No Evidence to be given but what is contained in the Notice.

XC. And be it further enacted, That no Action or Suit shall be commenced against any Person or Persons for any Thing done in pursuance of this Act until Twenty-one Days Notice thereof shall have been given to the Clerk or Treasurer of the said Commissioners, nor after a sufficient Satisfaction or Tender thereof hath been made to the Party or Parties aggrieved, nor after the Expiration of Six Calendar Months from the Time of the Fact being committed; and every such Action or Suit shall be laid or brought in the County of *Glamorgan*, and not elsewhere; and

Limitation of Actions.

and the Defendant or Defendants, in every ſuch Action, ſhall, or may at his, her or their Election, plead ſpecially or 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 the ſame ſhall appear to have been ſo done, or that ſuch Action or Suit ſhall have been brought before Twenty-one Days Notice thereof was given as aforeſaid, or after a ſufficient Satisfaction made or tendered as aforeſaid, or after the Expiration of the Time limited for bringing the ſame as aforeſaid, or ſhall be brought in any other County, then the Jury ſhall find 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 Judgement ſhall be given againſt the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, then the Defendant or Defendants ſhall recover treble Coſts, and have ſuch Remedy for the ſame as any Defendant hath in other Caſes by Law.

This Act not to injure Rights.

XCI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained, ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend in any Way to change, leſſen, abridge, impeach, annul, prejudice, or deſtroy any Rights, Privileges, Juriſdictions, Immunities, Rents, Tolls, or lawful Cuſtoms, belonging, due, or in anywiſe appertaining to the Lord of the Borough, or to the Corporation thereof, or any of the Officers of the ſame, or appertaining to the Leet or any other Court held for the ſaid Borough, or of the Steward, Jurors, or Officers of the ſaid Court or Courts.

Public Act.

XCII. And be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall be deemed, and taken to be 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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