Anno decimo

Georgii III. Regis.

An Act to explain and amend an Act made in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of King *George* the Second, For improving the Navigation of the River *Clyde* to the City of *Glaſgow*, and for building a Bridge croſs the ſaid River, from the ſaid City to the Village of *Gorbells*.

WHEREAS by an Act made in the Thirty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for improving the Navigation of the River *Clyde* to the City of *Glaſgow*; and for building a Bridge croſs the ſaid River, from the ſaid City to the Village of *Gorbells*; the Magiſtrates and City Council of Glaſgow were impowered to clean, ſcour, ſtraighten, enlarge and improve the ſaid River Clyde from Dumbuck-ford to the Bridge of Glaſgow; and to dig, cut, and deepen the ſame, or any Part thereof; and thereby to make the ſaid River more navigable and paſſable for Boats, Barges, Lighters, or other Veſſels; and to make in, over, or on the ſaid River, ſuch and ſo many Locks, Wears, Pens, Dams, and other Works, as ſhould appear neceſſary and convenient for promoting the ſaid Navigation; and to aſk, demand, Preamble, reciting Act 32 *Geo.* II.

demand, receive, and take certain Rates and Duties of Keelage upon certain Ships, Veſſels, Lighters, and Boats trading or coming into the Ports of Glaſgow and Greenock; and alſo certain Duties of Tonnage upon all Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, Commodities, or other Things whatſoever, which ſhould be carried or conveyed by or through the Lock or Locks, Dam or Dams, or any other Work or Works to be made and erected at a Place in the ſaid River, at or above Merlenford: And whereas, ſince paſſing of the ſaid Act, the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council have cauſed a more accurate Survey of the ſaid River Clyde to be taken, and are now adviſed, that by contracting the Channel of the ſaid River Clyde, and building and erecting Jettees, Banks, Walls, Works, and Fences in and upon the ſaid River, and dredging the ſame in proper Places, between the lower End of Dumbuck-ford and the Bridge of Glaſgow, the ſaid River Clyde may be further deepened, and the Navigation thereof more effectually improved, than by any Lock or Dam; and ſo as there ſhall be Seven Feet Water in every Part of the ſaid River at Neap Tides: And whereas the Rates and Duties of Keelage impoſed by the ſaid recited Act upon Ships, Lighters, Boats, Barges, or Veſſels, which ſhall come into, or ſail from, the Port of Glaſgow, comprehending Port-Glaſgow and Greenock, and the Quays and Creeks thereto belonging, may be prejudicial to Trade, and ſhould therefore be repealed: And whereas, by the ſaid Act, the levying the Rates and Duties thereby granted ſtands ſuſpended until the Lock or Locks thereby authoriſed ſhall be erected and made paſſable; and that this Suſpenſion of the collecting the ſaid Rates and Duties, which by this preſent Act are intended to remain and continue, will greatly retard the improving of the Navigation of the ſaid River; and that it is neceſſary a new Mode or Plan for levying and collecting the Rates and Duties be eſtabliſhed, and a proper Conſideration granted to the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council, and their Succeſſors, in Conſideration of the great Labour they muſt be at, and of the Riſque their Common Stock muſt run, in improving the Navigation of the ſaid River: May it therefore please your moſt Excellent 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 ſaid Act, ſo far as the ſame relates to the impoſing the Rates or Duties of Keelage

Recited Act in Part repealed.

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upon Ships, Lighters, Boats, Barges, or Veſſels, which ſhall come to, or ſail from, the Port of Glaſgow, comprehending Port-Glaſgow and Greenock, and the Quays and Crecks thereto belonging, ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby repealed.

Magiſtrates of *Glaſgow* impowered to demand the Rates granted by the former Act;

And it is hereby further enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall be lawful to, and in the Power of, the ſaid Magiſtrates and City Council of Glaſgow, and their Succeſſors in Office, and their Aſſigns, and ſuch as ſhall be appointed by them, and they are hereby impowered and authoriſed, from Time to Time, and at all Time hereafter, to aſk, demand, receive, and recover the Rates and Duties granted by the ſaid recited Act, upon all Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, Commodities, and other Things whatſoever, which ſhall be carried in and upon the ſaid River Clyde, or any Part thereof, between the lower End of Dumbuck-Ford and the Bridge of Glaſgow, except with reſpect to ſuch Rates and Duties of Keelage as aforeſaid; any Thing in the ſaid before-recited Act to the contrary notwithſtanding.

and are impowered to make the River *Clyde* navigable from *Dumbuckford* to the Bridge of *Glaſgow*.

And be it enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Magiſtrates and City Council of Glaſgow for the Time being, and their Succeſſors in Office, by themſelves, their Deputies, Agents, Officers, Workmen, and Servants, ſhall be, and they are hereby impowered and authoriſed, and ſhall have full Power and Liberty, from Time to Time, and at all Times hereafter, to make and keep the ſaid River Clyde navigable from the lower End of Dumbuck-ford to the Bridge of Glaſgow aforeſaid; ſo as there may be at leaſt Seven Feet Water at Neap Tides in every Part of the ſaid River, within the Bounds aforeſaid, for Ships, Veſſels, Barges, and Lighters to come and go to and from the ſaid City of Glaſgow; and for that End, to alter, direct, and make, or cauſe to be altered, directed, and made, the Channel of the ſaid River, through any Land, Soil, or Ground (Part of the preſent Bed of the ſaid River) between the lower End of Dumbuck-ford and the Bridge of Glaſgow aforeſaid; and to make, ſet up and erect, on both Sides of the ſaid River, ſuch and ſo many Jettees, Banks, Walls, Sluices, Works, and Fences, for making, ſecuring, continuing and maintaining the Channel of the ſaid River, within proper Bounds, for the Uſe of the ſaid Navigation, as to the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council, and their Succeſſors in Office, ſhall ſeem proper and convenient; and for that Purpoſe to cleanſe, ſcour, deepen, and enlarge, or ſtraighten or confine the ſaid River and Channel thereof, or any Part or

Parts of the same, within the Limits aforesaid; and to dig or cut the Soil, Ground, or Banks of the said River, and Soil, Sand, and Gravel in the Bed thereof, and to lay the same upon the most convenient Banks of the said River; and to plant the Banks on each Side of the said River, within the Bounds aforesaid, with Willows, or other Shrubs, for the Safety or Preservation of the said Banks, and for preventing the same from being hurt or carried away by the said River; Satisfaction being always made to the Owners of the Ground that shall be thereby damaged, as in Manner herein after directed: And also to cleanse, scour, and open any other Streams, Brooks, Gutters, Ditches, or Watercourses, which now fall into the said River Clyde within the Bounds aforesaid; and to dig and cut the Banks of the same, for the Purpose of improving the Navigation of the said River Clyde; and also, to dig, get, cut, remove, carry away, and use such Clods, Earth, Soil, Gravel, Stones, and other Materials, in, upon, or out of the said Land, Soil, or Ground, as the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, shall think fit and necessary, either for making the said River more navigable, or for bringing in any other Streams, Brooks, or Watercourses to the said River, for the better carrying on and improving the Navigation thereof.

Quay of *Glasgow* to be repaired and enlarged.

And be it enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, shall have Power and Liberty, and full Power and Authority is hereby granted to them, to repair, continue, and enlarge the Quay of Glasgow, on the North Side of the said River Clyde, at that Place called the Broomielaw, so as to make it sufficiently commodious for the Purposes of the Navigation of the said River, and the Trade of Glasgow: And also to make, build, and erect a commodious and sufficient Quay on the South Side of the said River, opposite to the first mentioned Quay, called Broomielaw; and to take, use, occupy, enjoy, and possess such Ground, on the West Side of the said Broomielaw Quay, as shall be necessary and convenient for enlarging the said Quay, and making the same more commodious than it is at present: And also to take, use, enjoy, and possess such Ground on the South Side of the said River Clyde, opposite to the said Broomielaw Quay, as shall be necessary and convenient for making, building, and erecting the said Quay on the South Side of the said River Clyde, opposite to the said Broomielaw Quay; Satisfaction being always made for the Ground so

to be taken, occupied, and poſſeſſed, as in Manner herein after provided.

Quay Duties allowed to be taken.

And, for reimburſing the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council, and their Succeſſors in Office, the Monies to be expended and diſburſed by them in repairing, enlarging building, and erecting the Quays aforeſaid, purchaſing Ground for enlarging and building the ſaid Quays, or any of them, and keeping the ſame in Repair, be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Magiſtrates and City Council of Glaſgow for the Time being, and their Succeſſors in Office, by themſelves, their Deputies, Agents, and Servants, ſhall be, and are hereby impowered and authoriſed, and ſhall have full Power and Authority, from Time to Time, and at all Times hereafter, from and after the Firſt Tueſday of June next, to ask, demand, levy, recover, and receive One Penny Sterling per Ton, for all Ships, Barges, Veſſels, Lighters, and Boats, which ſhall be brought to the Quays aforeſaid, or either of them; or within the Bounds and Limits of ſuch Parts of the River Clyde as the former Rates and Duties of the ſaid Broomielaw Quay were in Uſe to be collected, levied, and received, by or on account of the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council, under and by virtue of ſpecial Grants, or immemorial Poſſeſſion of the ſame, and that in full of all Anchorage and Quay Dues formerly in Uſe to have been paid to the City of Glaſgow in the Name of Broomielaw Quay Dues; except the Cranage Dues, which are hereby reſerved to the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council, and their Succeſſors in Office, and are to be paid as formerly.

Veſſels not chargeable with Quay Duties for the Firſt Time after having paid Tonnage.

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Ships, Barges, Veſſels, Lighters, and Boats, paying the ſaid Anchorage and Quay Dues of One Penny Sterling per Ton, ſhall not be charged with any Anchorage or Quay Dues upon their taking in a new Loading, or ſailing from any of the Quays aforeſaid, for the Firſt Time immediately after they ſhall have paid the ſaid One Penny Sterling per Ton hereby granted.

Duty how to be levied and applied.

Provided further, and be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the aforeſaid Rate and Duty of One Penny Sterling per Ton, hereby granted for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, ſhall remain with, and be collected and levied by, the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council, and their Succeſſors in Office, for the Uſe and Behoof of the Community and common Stock of the ſaid City of Glaſgow; and ſhall no ways be applicable towards leſſening or diſcharging any Part of the Expence and Debt incurred,

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and to be incurred, by the said Magistrates and City Council, and their Successors in Office, in improving the Navigation of the said River Clyde, by virtue of the Powers granted by this and the said herein before recited Act; any Thing in this or the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Satisfaction to be made for Ground taken for making the said Quay.

Provided always, That the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, shall be obliged to keep in Repair the Quay already built at the Broomielaw; and to build, make, and keep in Repair, any other Quay or Quays which may be found necessary at the Broomielaw aforesaid, in Consideration of the beforementioned Duty, and in full for Discharging and Loading, and of all Harbour Dues whatsoever (Cranage excepted); and that the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, shall be obliged to make Satisfaction to the Owners of the Ground which shall be taken and appropriated for making the said Quays on the South and North Sides of the said River; and also Satisfaction to the Owners of the Ground on the Banks of the said River, whereon Sand, Soil, or Gravel and Stones, shall be laid, for the Damage thereby occasioned: And in case of any Difference between the said Magistrates and Council and the said Owners, as to the Value of the Ground, or Extent of the Damages, the same shall be determined by the Sheriff Depute of the County within which the Ground lies, in the Manner directed by the said recited Act in other Cases of Damage done to private Property.

Duties to be applied towards paying the Expences of the Act, and in making the River *Clyde* navigable.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Rates and Duties granted by the said recited Act, and confirmed by this present Act, shall, after paying the Expence of passing the said recited and this present Act, be applied to reimburse the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, all Sum and Sums of Money already expended by them under the Powers granted by the said recited Act, and that shall hereafter be expended by them, in amending and improving the Navigation of the said River Clyde, and for contracting the Channel of the said River, dredging thereof, and setting up and erecting Banks, Walls, Weirs, Fences, and other Works, between the lower End of Dumbuck-Ford and the Bridge of Glasgow aforesaid; with Interest for the same, from the respective Times of advancing the same, until Payment thereof.

And whereas, by the said recited Act, certain Commissioners are appointed to audit and inspect the Accounts to be furnished by the said Magistrates and Council, of the Monies,

Monies, Rates, and Duties collected, and of the Sums borrowed, advanced, and applied for the Uses aforesaid; with Power to the said Commissioners, after Payment of all the Sums borrowed and expended, to lessen and reduce the Rates and Duties, and entirely to free such Articles or Species of Goods from the said Rates, as they shall think proper: But, as it may be attended with Inconveniencies, were they to exercise this Power immediately upon Repayment of the Sums borrowed or expended; and as it is just and reasonable, that some Provision should be made for the Town and Community of Glasgow, in Consideration of the great Risque they run, and extraordinary Expence they must be at, in undertaking the said Works for the Advantage of the Trade, and in advancing Money out of the publick Revenue of the City upon the eventual Prospect of being repaid; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors, shall be, and are hereby impowered and authorised to levy, collect, and receive the Tolls, Rates, and Duties granted by this and the said recited Act, for the Whole of the Fifth Year from and after the passing this present Act; and to apply the Whole of the said Fifth Year's Rates and Duties for the Use and Behoof of the Community of the City of Glasgow, and Common Stock thereof, for and in Consideration of the Trouble and Risque aforesaid, whether in the said Fifth Year the said River, in every Part thereof, within the Bounds aforesaid, shall be made Seven Feet deep at Neap Tides, or not; and that without imputing or applying the said Fifth Year's Rates and Duties, or any Part thereof, towards paying or reimbursing the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, of the Money already disbursed, and hereafter to be disbursed, by them, in obtaining this and the said recited Act, and in carrying into Execution the Powers and Authorities thereby granted to them; and for which Fifth Year's Rates and Duties the said Magistrates and Council shall be no ways accountable to the said Commissioners.

The whole Duties of the Fifth Year to be applied to the Use of the Common Stock of *Glasgow*;

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That before the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, shall be allowed to apply the said Fifth Year's Rates and Duties hereby granted, for the Use of the Community of the City of Glasgow, they shall be obliged to instruct to the Commissioners named in the said recited Act, and hereafter to be named in this present Act, or any Eleven or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, that they the said Magistrates

upon Magistrates and Council instructing Commissioners that they have expended 5000*l.* Sterling.

and Council, or their Successors in Office, have really and truly expended the Sum of Five thousand Pounds Sterling, in deepening the said River Clyde, within the Bounds aforesaid, under the Authority of this present Act.

Tolls not to be diminished until the Expiration of One Year.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Power given by the said recited Act to lessen, impair, and diminish the Tolls, Rates, and Duties thereby granted, shall be and are hereby suspended, and shall not be put in Execution by the said Commissioners, or any of them, until the Expiration of One Year complete, after the said Magistrates and Council are fully satisfied and repaid, exclusive and independent of the aforesaid Fifth Year's Rates and Duties to be applied as aforesaid, of the whole Sums advanced and to be advanced by them in obtaining this and the said recited Act, and for the Purposes therein contained, and Interest of the said Sums from the respective Times of disbursing thereof until Payment; but that it shall be lawful to and for the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, and their Assigns, after Payment of the respective Sums of Money advanced and to be advanced and employed for the Purposes of the said recited and this present Act, and Interest due thereon, out of the Rates, Duties, and Tolls aforesaid, to levy, collect, receive, and retain, for the Use of the Community of Glasgow, and Publick Stock thereof, One Year's further Produce of the whole Rates, Tolls, and Duties aforesaid, granted by this present and the said recited Act; they always paying the Charge and Expence of managing, levying, and collecting thereof, and of the aforesaid Fifth Year's Rates and Duties, to be applied as aforesaid; but not any Damage which shall be occasioned by unforeseen Accidents or Misfortunes, the Expence of repairing whereof shall be defrayed out of the Tolls, Rates, and Duties, to be levied for other and subsequent Years, in virtue of the said recited and this present Act.

If not 7 Feet Depth of Water in every Part of the River, the Magistrates not to collect the last Year's Duties granted for the Use of *Glasgow*.

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case, by building the Jettees, Banks, Walls, Quays and Fences aforesaid, contracting the Channel of the said River, and dredging thereof, there shall not be a Depth of Seven Feet Water in every Part of the said River Clyde at Neap Tides, between the lower End of Dumbuck-ford and the Quay of Glasgow aforesaid; then, and in that Event, the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, are not to levy, collect, and receive any Part of the last

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One Year's Rates and Duties before granted for the Use of the said Community and Publick Stock thereof.

Sum of Money to be set aside for keeping the Works in Repair.

Provided further, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Commissioners, or any Eleven or more of them, assembled as directed in the said recited Act, shall have full Power and Authority, and they are hereby impowered and authorised to liquidate and ascertain a reasonable Sum to be set aside for keeping the Works, hereby allowed to be made, in Repair; and the Sum so to be ascertained shall, after the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, are fully reimbursed, and shall receive the said Two Years Tolls, Rates, and Duties, granted to the Community and Common Stock of the City of Glasgow, as aforesaid, be lent out on good Security, at the Sight and by the Approbation of the said Commissioners, or any Eleven or more of them; and the same, with the Interest arising therefrom, shall be applied to the Purposes of this and the said recited Act, and to no other Purposes whatsoever.

Sheriffs Depute of *Lanerk*, *Dumbarton* and *Renfrew*, to be Judges of the Depth of Water.

And be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the Sheriff-depute of the County of Lanerk, the Sheriff-depute of the County of Dumbarton, and the Sheriff-depute of the County of Renfrew, or any one of them, shall be the sole and final Judges of the Depth of Water within the Limits and Bounds aforesaid; and that the said Sheriffs, or any one of them, upon Application by any of the Magistrates of Glasgow, or by any Three or more of the Commissioners before and after named, shall cause to be measured the Depth of the said River by one or more Persons, at such and so many Places as the said Magistrates, or Three Commissioners, shall request; and the said Measurer or Measurers shall give their Report upon Oath to the said Sheriffs, or any one of them, (which any one of them is hereby impowered to administer) and to certify the Depth accordingly.

Toll's and Duties may be reduced.

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That after paying to the said Magistrates and City Council of Glasgow, and their Successors in Office, all the Monies advanced and expended, and to be advanced and expended by them, by virtue of this and the said recited Act (the Expences of repairing, enlarging, building, and erecting the aforesaid Broomielaw Quay, and Quay opposite thereto on the South Side of the said River, and the Value of the Ground to be occupied for those Purposes, being always excepted); and after the said Magistrates and Council shall have received, for the

the Uſe of the Community of the ſaid City of Glaſgow, the Produce of the Tolls, Rates and Duties granted by this and the ſaid recited Act, for the Fifth Year after paſſing this preſent Act, and the one Year's Rates and Duties granted to the ſaid Magiſtrates and Council, after the ſaid River, in every Part thereof, within the Bounds aforeſaid, is made Seven Feet deep at Neap Tides, (the Charge of Management and ordinary Repairs being firſt deducted) and after ſetting aſide a competent Fund for the Repairs of the Banks, Walls, Jettees, Fences, and Works to be built, made and erected by virtue of this Act, and for anſwering the Expence of dredging, cleaning and ſcouring the ſaid River; the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any Eleven or more of them, at any annual General Meeting, or in any other Meeting, on Fourteen Days previous Notice in the Glaſgow News Papers, may, and they are hereby impowered, authoriſed and required, to leſſen, reduce, or diſcontinue, the Payment of the Tolls, Rates and Duties before granted, as they ſhall judge moſt conducive to Trade.

Duties on Coals to be firſt reduced.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Rates and Duties upon Coals granted by the ſaid recited Act, and confirmed by this preſent Act, ſhall be firſt diſcontinued and extinguiſhed, before any of the ſaid other Tolls ſhall be reduced or diſcontinued, in purſuance of the Powers hereby given; and that after the Rates and Duties upon Coals ſhall be ſo diſcontinued as aforeſaid, the Toll and Duty of Two-pence per Ton on the lowermoſt Stages of the ſaid intended Navigation, from Dalmuir Burn to Dumbuck-Ford, herein after mentioned, ſhall be next extinguiſhed and diſcontinued, before any other of the ſaid Tolls and Duties ſhall be reduced or diſcontinued; the Magiſtrates and Council of Glaſgow, and their Succeſſors aforeſaid, with Conſent of the Commiſſioners, or any Eleven or more of them, aſſembled as aforeſaid, always having Power to reſume the levying, collecting, and receiving the ſaid Tolls, Rates, and Duties, or any Part thereof they ſhall judge proper, when any unforeſeen Accident ſhall happen to the Banks, Walls, Fences, Jettees, or other Works, to be made and erected for improving the Navigation of the ſaid River Clyde, which ſhall require the ſame; any Thing in the ſaid recited Act to the contrary notwithſtanding.

River *Clyde* divided into Stages.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That for the more equitable Payment of the Rates and Duties granted by the before-recited Act, and confirmed by this preſent Act, the ſaid River Clyde ſhall be divided into Three

Three Stages, at the particular Places herein after mentioned, videlicet, The first shall be, and is hereby fixed at that Part of the said River Clyde where the Ferry Boat of Renfrew now crosses the said River, from the Quay at Blawerthill, on the North Side of the said River, to the present Quay on the South Side of the said River, opposite the said Blawerthill Quay; the second of the said Stages at or above the East Side of the new intended Cut or Canal from the River Forth to the River Clyde, at or near Dalmuir Burn Foot; and the third Stage shall be, and is hereby fixed at any Place of the Banks of the said River Clyde betwixt the West Side of Dalmuir Burn, and below the West Side of the aforesaid intended Cut or Canal and Dumbuk-ford aforesaid; and that all Ships, Barges, Vessels, Lighters, Boats, Goods, Merchandizes, Commodities and Things whatsoever, passing in or upon the said River Clyde, from the Quay or Quays of Glasgow aforesaid, down the said River, shall pay the Rates and Duties granted by the before-recited Act, and confirmed by this present Act, in Manner and in the Proportions following; that is to say, Betwixt the said Broomielaw Quay and the said present Ferry of Renfrew, or any Part thereof, Two Third Parts of the said Tolls, Rates and Duties; from thence to the East Side of the said intended Cut or Canal, or any Part thereof, One Sixth Part of the Rates and Duties; and from the West Side of the Foot of Dalmuir Burn, and below the West Side of the aforesaid intended Cut or Canal, to Dumbuk-ford, or any Place below, One Sixth Part of the said Rates and Duties; and shall pay the same Proportion of the Rates and Duties aforesaid, on passing or coming up the said River Clyde.

Duties to be collected at such Places as the Magistrates of *Glasgow* shall appoint.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, by themselves, or their Agents or Servants, shall be, and are hereby impowered and authorised to levy, collect, and receive the Tolls, Rates and Duties granted as aforesaid, according as they are herein before proportioned and divided, at such Place or Places on the said River Clyde, or near thereto, as they the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, shall from Time to Time direct and appoint.

Commissioners Names.

And be it enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Provost and Two eldest Baillies of Glasgow, the Baillie of Port-Glasgow, the eldest Baillie of Paisley, and the Two Baillies named by the Community of Greenock, for the Time being, shall be, and are hereby added to

and joined with the Commissioners named in the said recited Act.

Toll-houses to be erected.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall be lawful to the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, and they are hereby impowered and authorised to build, or cause to be built and erected, a Toll-house or Toll-houses near to such Part or Parts of the said River Clyde as they shall judge expedient, for levying, collecting, and receiving the Tolls, Rates, and Duties granted by this and the said recited Act.

Toll-houses not to be built near any Gentleman's House.

Provided always, That such Toll-house or Toll-houses shall not be built within Five hundred Yards of any Gentleman's Messuage or Manor Place, without his Consent; and that the Value of the Ground to be occupied by the building of such Toll-house or Toll-houses shall be ascertained and paid for by the said Magistrates and Council, and their Successors in Office, in the same Manner as provided by the said former Act in other Cases of Damage done to private Property.

Rates of Tonnage of Timber.

And, for the better ascertaining the Tonnage of Timber and Wood to be charged with the Rates and Duties granted by the said recited Act, and confirmed by this present Act, be it further enacted and declared, That Fifty Feet of round, or Forty Feet of square Oak, Ash, or Elm Timber, or Fifty Feet of Fir or Deal Balk, Poplar, or other Wood, shall be deemed, reckoned, and estimated as and for One Ton Weight; and all Timber or Wood, either carried in Boats or other Vessels, or floated in and upon the said River Clyde, within the Bounds aforesaid, shall be charged and pay accordingly.

Ferry Boats at *Govan*, *Renfrew*, and *Erskine*, to be used as formerly.

And be it enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Ferry Boats at Govan, Renfrew and Erskine, shall be used and enjoyed as in Time past, without being subject to the Payment of any of the Tolls, Rates and Duties granted by this and the said recited Act.

Satisfaction to be made for Damage done to the Salmon Fishery.

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case any Damage shall be done to the Salmon Fishery, belonging to the Magistrates and Council of the Borough of Renfrew, in the said River Clyde, by the Execution of any of the Powers of the said recited Act, or this present Act; then, and in such Case, full and complete Satisfaction shall be made by the said Magistrates and Council of the City of Glasgow, and their Successors in Office, to the Magistrates and Council of the said Borough of Renfrew, for any such Damage; the Amount whereof, and the Manner of Payment, shall be ascertained and made in the Man-

ner directed and provided by the said recited Act, in case of Damage done to private Property.

Powers of former Act extended to this Act.

And be it further enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said recited Act, and all and every the Clauses, Authorities, Powers, Provisions, Articles, Rules, Punishments, Penalties, Conditions, and Things therein contained, shall (except in so far as the same are varied or amended by this present Act) be and continue in full Force and Effect in all Time coming, as if the present Act had not been made; and that all the Clauses, Authorities, Powers, Rules, Punishments, Penalties, Conditions, Limitations, and Things aforesaid, in the said before recited Act contained, shall be equally applicable to, and have the same Operation in, the Case of the new intended Improvement of the Navigation of the River Clyde, by deepening, clearing, streightening, or enlarging the Channel of the said River, and in all Matters and Things relative thereto, in the same Manner, and to all Intents and Purposes, as if the Navigation of the said River had been improved by Locks, Dams, or other Works, pursuant to the Directions of the before recited Act; any Thing in the said recited, or this present Act, to the contrary notwithstanding: And that this Act shall be deemed, taken, and allowed in all Courts of Law and Equity, as a Publick Act, and all Judges and Justices are hereby required to take notice thereof, without specially pleading the same.

Publick Act.

This and the former Act to be construed in the most beneficial Manner in making the *Clyde* more navigable.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this and the said recited Act, in case any Doubt shall arise about the Exposition thereof, shall be deemed, construed, and taken in such Manner as shall be most beneficial for the Purposes aforesaid, in making the said River Clyde more navigable, and in preserving and continuing the Navigation thereof, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this and the said former Act.

FINIS.