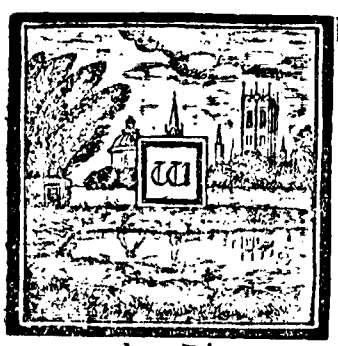
ANNO UNDECIMO

Georgii III. Regis.

An Act to oblige the Company of Proprietors of the *Birmingham* Canal Navigation to complete the ſaid Canal to a Field called *Newhall Ring*, adjoining to the Town of *Birmingham*, in the County of *Warwick*, within a limitted Time, and to maintain and keep the ſame free and open for the Paſſage of Boats, Barges, and other Veſſels.



WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament made in the Eighth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, An Act for making and maintaining a navigable Cut or Canal from *Birmingham* to *Bilſtone*, and from thence to *Autherley*, there to communicate with the Canal now making between the Rivers *Severn* and *Trent*; and for making collateral Cuts up to ſeveral Coal Mines; it was, amongſt other Things, enacted, That the ſeveral Perſons therein named,

Preamble recites ſo much of the Act of His preſent Majeſty as directs the Canal to be made to *Newhall Ring*, &c.

named, their Succeſſors, Heirs, and Aſſigns, together with ſuch Perſon and Perſons as they, or the major Part of them, at any General Meeting aſſembled, ſhould nominate and appoint, under their Hands and Seals, ſhould be united into a Company, for the better carrying on, making, completing, and maintaining, the ſaid Navigable Cut or Canal, and collateral Cuts, according to the Rules, Orders, and Directions therein after expreſſed and laid down, and ſhould for that Purpoſe be One Body Politick and Corporate, by the Name of The Company of Proprietors of the *Birmingham* Canal Navigation; and the ſaid Company of Proprietors, their Succeſſors and Aſſigns, are thereby authoriſed and impowered, from and after the Fourteenth Day from the paſſing of the ſaid Act, by themſelves, their Deputies, Agents, Officers, Workmen, Servants, and Aſſigns, to make and complete a Cut or Canal, navigable or paſſable for Boats, Barges, and other Veſſels, from a certain Field called Newhall Ring, adjoining to the Town of Birmingham, in the County of Warwick, and from ſuch other Place and Places in or near the ſaid Town of Birmingham as might be found convenient, to or near Smethwick, Oldbury, Tipton Green, and Bilſtone, in the reſpective Counties of Warwick and Stafford, by or near ſeveral large Coal Mines and Lime-ſtone Quarries, and from or near the ſaid Town of Bilſtone, to go by and as near to the Town of Wolverhampton as the Level would admit of, on, to, or near Autherley, otherwiſe Alderſley, in the Pariſh of Tettenhall, in the the ſaid County of Stafford, there to join and communicate with the Canal then making, or intended to be made between the Rivers Severn and Trent; and alſo to make and complete Two collateral Cuts up to or as near certain Coal Mines as conveniently might be, with ſuch Powers and Authorities for making, completing, and maintaining the ſaid ſeveral Cuts and Canals, as in and by the ſaid Act are given and granted: And whereas the ſaid Company of Proprietors have, by virtue of the Powers and Authorities contained in the ſaid Act, cauſed a Cut or Canal to be

Takes Notice that the Company of Proprietors have refuſed to compleate the Canal to Newhall Ring;

be made as far as certain Lands belonging to the Free School of the said Town of Birmingham, which is about Four hundred Yards short of the said Field called Newhall Ring, from whence the said Cut or Canal was by the said Act intended to have been made, and the said Company of Proprietors have refused to complete the same: And whereas all the Land from the Place to which the said Cut or Canal is now made, to the said Field called Newhall Ring, except about the Distance of Thirty Yards, is the Property of Charles Colmore Esquire, and if the said Cut or Canal is not made and completed to the said Field, according to the Intention of the said Act, the said Charles Colmore will be a very great Sufferer: May it therefore please Your Majesty, at the humble Petition of the said Charles Colmore, 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 Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigation shall, and they are hereby required, on or before the Twenty-fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, to make and complete the said Cut or Canal from its present Termination in the said Lands belonging to the said Free School of the said Town of Birmingham, to the said Field called Newhall Ring, adjoining to the said Town of Birmingham, in as streight and direct a Line as the Level will admit of; and the said Company of Proprietors shall, and are also hereby required to maintain and keep the said Cut or Canal free and open, so that the same may at all Times hereafter be navigable and passable for Boats, Barges, and other Vessels; and also to make and maintain proper Towing Paths, and all other Works which shall or may be proper and necessary for the carrying on, completing, and maintaining the said Navigation.

and that if the Canal is not made to *Newhall Ring*, Mr *Colmore* will be a great Sufferer.

The Company of Proprietors shall complete the Canal to *Newhall Ring* before the 25th Day of *March* 1772.

Publick Act. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed, adjudged, and taken to be a Publick Act; and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and other Persons whomsoever, without specially pleading the same.

FINIS.