Anno tertio

Georgii III. Regis.

An Act to continue and render more effectual Two Acts of Parliament for repairing and widening the Road leading from the *Black Bull Inn* in *Dunſtable*, in the County of *Bedford*, to the Way turning out of the ſaid Road up to *Shafford Houſe*, in the County of *Hertford*.



WHEREAS by Two Acts of Parliament, one paſſed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His Majeſty King George the Firſt, and the other in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty, ſeveral Tolls or Duties and Powers were given to Truſtees thereby appointed for repairing and widening the Road leading from the Black Bull Inn in Dunſtable, in the County of Bedford, to the Way turning out of the ſaid Road up to Shafford Houſe, in the County of Hertford: And whereas, Preamble, reciting Acts 9 *Geo.* I. and 10 *Geo.* II.

in order to carry the said Acts into Execution, several Sums of Money have been borrowed upon the Credit thereof, amounting in the whole to the Sum of Two thousand Pounds; which Sum cannot be repaid, and the said Roads be effectually repaired, widened, and kept in Repair, unless the Term and Powers granted by the said Acts are further continued, and made more effectual; 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,

The recited Acts further continued for 21 Years.

That the said former Acts, and all and every the Tolls or Duties, Powers, and Clauses therein contained, and now in Force (except such as are hereby varied or altered) shall, so far as the same relate to the repairing, widening, and keeping in Repair the said Road, be and continue in full Force, and be executed, from and after the Expiration of the Terms granted by the said former Acts, for and during the further Term of Twenty one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, as fully as if the same were herein again repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this present Act; which said additional Term, and the Tolls or Duties, Powers and Clauses hereby continued and granted, are hereby declared to be subject and liable to the Payment of all Sums of Money now due and owing upon the Credit of the said former Acts, and of such other Sum and Sums of Money as shall be borrowed for the Purposes of the said former Acts and this Act, and the Interest due and to grow due on the same.

Additional Trustees Names.

And be it further enacted, That the Right Honourable Francis Russell, commonly called Marquis of Tavistock; the Right Honourable George Simon Harcourt, commonly called Lord Viscount Newnham; the Right Honourable William Cowper, commonly called Lord Viscount Fordwich; the Honourable and Reverend Spencer Cowper Dean of Durham, the Honourable Charles Yorke, the Honourable James Bucknall Grimston, the Honourable William Grimston, Sir Philip Monoux Baronet, Sir John Saunders Sebright Baronet, Sir Thomas Salusbury Knight, Robert Henley Ongley Esquire, Richard Vernon Esquire, Francis Herne Esquire, Jacob Houblon Esquire, Thomas Plumer Byde Esquire, John Calvert Esquire, Timothy Caswell Esquire, Henry Ambrose, Edward Ashwell Esquire,

ſquire, the Reverend Francis Ayſcough D. D. Thomas Brand Eſquire, Thomas Baskerfield, Robert Baskerfield, Abraham Baskerfield, John Bentley, John Betteſworth LL. D. Henry Bellfield, George Poyner Biſſe Eſquire, the Reverend George Charles Black, George Boheme, the Reverend John Boys, Thoſwiham Brandreth Eſquire, Jaſper Arris Botradale, George Carpenter Eſquire, John Capon Eſquire, Francis Capper Eſquire, Richard Capper Eſquire, Samuel Coppin Eſquire, Minor Colley, Nathaniel Cotton junior, John Crawley junior Eſquire, Joſeph Clark, the Reverend Daniel Creſpin, Charles De Late Eſquire, Marſhe Dickinſon Eſquire, John Marſhe Dickinſon Eſquire, Charles Doniville, Sandilands Drinkwater, Humphry Edwin Eſquire, the Reverend Thomas Evans, Henry Finch Eſquire, John Finch Eſquire, Hillerſden Frank Eſquire, John Hillerſden Frank, John Franklin, the Reverend Robert Fowler, William Gape Eſquire, Joſeph Gape Eſquire, the Reverend Owen Gough, Thomas Gilpin Eſquire, Thomas Goldſmith, Charles Gore Eſquire, Henry Green Eſquire, Thomas Groome, Henry Gregory, William Hale Eſquire, George Halſey Eſquire, Thomas Halſey Eſquire, Benjamin Hanbury, Edward Hawkins, Richard Haſſell junior Eſquire, Giles Thornton Heyſham Eſquire, Robert Thornton Heyſham Eſquire, Dennis Farrer Hillerſden Eſquire, William Howard, Thomas Howard, William Hurſt, Jacob Houblon junior Eſquire, Joſeph Handley, William Jephſon Eſquire, the Reverend George Jubb D. D. the Reverend Frederick Keller, Thomas Kinder, Thomas Kinder junior Brewer, John Knight Knowllen, Thomas Kentiſh of Tenements, William La Combe Eſquire, Thomas Lake Eſquire, George Maſon Eſquire, John Maſon Eſquire, John Miller junior, Thomas Morris, the Reverend William Neale junior, Zachariah Neale junior, Thomas Herbert Noyes Eſquire, Francis Carter Niccoll Eſquire, John Oſborn, Joſeph Oſman, Joſeph Oſman junior, Richard Pearce Eſquire, William Pembroke, Thomas Parker Eſquire, William Perrott, the Reverend John Pittman, Thomas Potter Eſquire, Newdigate Poyntz Eſquire, the Reverend John Pryor, John Pudſey Eſquire, George Pembroke Eſquire, Ambroſe Reddall Eſquire, Jones Redman M. D. the Reverend Octavian Reynolds, the Reverend Richard Reynolds, John Richardſon, Robert Rogers Eſquire, John Searanche Eſquire, William

liam Snell Eſquire of Salisbury, Henry Tombes Smith Eſquire, Henry Smith of Saint Michaels, Ralph Smith of Kingsbury, William Smith of Kingsbury, Thomas Smith of Noke Mill, Robert Smith of Tagſend, the Reverend Edmond Smyth, James Smythe of Stretley, the Reverend Lawrence Smythe, Harvie Stone, Alexander Stirling, Thomas Shield Eſquire, William Taſh Eſquire, Daniel Tombes, Frederick Vander Meulen Eſquire, Thomas Vaux Eſquire, Robert Vincent Eſquire, John Walthoe, Thomas Whately Eſquire, Hezekiah Walker Eſquire, Hezekiah Walker junior, the Reverend Thomas Walker, Nicholas Weſtcombe Eſquire, Henry Fotherly Whitfeld Eſquire, the Reverend Edward Woodcock, Samuel Wood, ſhall, from and after the paſſing of this Act, be added to and joined with the Truſtees appointed in or by virtue of the ſaid former Acts, and ſhall together be Truſtees for putting the ſaid former Acts and this Act in Execution.

Truſtees to put the ſeveral Acts in Execution.

And be it further enacted, That the Truſtees appointed in or by virtue of Three Acts of Parliament, one paſſed in the Firſt Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King George the Firſt, another in the Eighth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty, and the other in the Twenty fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty, for repairing the Highways through the ſeveral Pariſhes of Saint Michael, Saint Alban, Saint Peter, Shenly, Ridge, and South Mims, in the Counties of Hertford and Middleſex, ſhall be and they are hereby impowered and authorized to act as Truſtees for putting this Act in Execution; and that the Truſtees appointed in or by virtue of this Act ſhall be and they are hereby impowered and authorized to act as Truſtees for putting the ſaid Three Acts in Execution.

Qualification of Truſtees.

And be it further enacted, That from and after the paſſing of this Act, no Perſon ſhall be capable of acting as a Truſtee in the Execution of the ſaid Two former Acts or this Act, unleſs he ſhall be in his own Right, or in the Right of his Wife, in the actual Poſſeſſion and Enjoyment, or Receipt, of the Rents and Profits of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, of the clear yearly Value of One hundred Pounds, or ſhall be Heir Apparent of ſome Perſon having ſuch Eſtate of the clear yearly Value of Two hundred Pounds, or poſſeſſed of a Perſonal Eſtate alone, or Real and Perſonal Eſtate together, to the Amount or Value of One thouſand five hundred Pounds:

or who shall sell Ale, Wine, Brandy, or other Spirituous Liquors by Retail, shall be capable of holding any Place of Trust or Profit under the said Two former Acts or this Act. No Victualler, &c. to have a Place of Profit.

And be it further enacted, That the Charges and Expences of obtaining and passing this Act, shall, as soon as conveniently may be, be paid out of the Money raised or to be raised by virtue of the said Two former Acts or this Act. Charges of passing this Act to be first paid.

And be it further enacted, That if any Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall be brought against any Person or Persons, for any thing done in pursuance of this Act, or in relation to the Matters herein contained, such Actions and Suits, and every of them, shall be commenced within Six Months next after the doing the Matter or Thing for which such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall be so brought, and not afterwards, and shall be ~~brought, laid, and tried in the County~~ or Place where such Matters and Things respectively shall be committed or done, and not in any other County or Place; and that the Defendant or Defendants in such Actions and Suits, and every of them, may plead the General Issue, and give this Act, and the Special Matter, in Evidence, at any Trial or Trials which shall be had thereupon, and that the Matter or Thing for which such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall be so brought, was done in pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if the said Matter or Thing shall appear to have been so done, or if any such Action or Suit shall not be commenced within the Time before for that Purpose limited, or shall be laid in any other County or Place than as aforesaid, then the Jury or Juries shall find for the Defendant or Defendants therein; and if a Verdict or Verdicts shall be found for such Defendant or Defendants, or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs in such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall become Nonsuit, or suffer a Discontinuance of such Action or Actions; or if, upon any Demurrer or Demurrers in such Action or Actions, Judgement shall be given for the Defendant or Defendants therein, then, and in either of the Cases aforesaid, such Defendant or Defendants shall have Treble Costs, and shall have such Remedy for Recovery thereof as any Defendant or Defendants hath or have for his, her, or their Costs, in any other Cases by Law. Limitation of Actions. Genera Issue. Treble Costs.

Publick Act. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be adjudged, deemed, 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.