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CAP. LXXXIII.

An Act for the better lighting, cleanſing, watching, and regulating the Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Paſſages, and Places, within the Pariſh of *Saint Luke*, in the County of *Middleſex*; and for removing and preventing Nuiſances, Annoyances, and Encroachments within the ſame. [3d *June* 1793.]

WHEREAS an Act was paſſed in the Twenty-ſeventh Year of the Reign of his late Majeſty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for the better enlightening and cleanſing the open Places, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Paſſages, and Courts, within the Pariſh of *Saint Luke*, in the County of *Middleſex*; and regulating the Nightly Watch and Bedels; and for repairing the Highways within the ſaid Pariſh: And whereas the

Preamble.

Act 27 *Geo.* II. recited;

the said Act has been found in many Respects defective, and the Powers thereby granted insufficient for the Purposes thereof; and it would be greatly for the Advantage and Convenience of the Inhabitants of the said Parish, if the same was repealed, and full and effectual Powers given and granted for the better lighting, cleansing, watching, and regulating the Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, and Places within the said Parish, and for removing and preventing Nuisances, Annoyances, and Encroachments therein; 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 upon the Thirtieth Day of May One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, the said recited Act, and every Clause, Matter, and Thing therein contained, shall be and the same is hereby declared to be repealed, and in lieu and instead thereof this Act shall commence and take Effect, and be put in Execution, for the better cleansing, lighting, watching, and regulating the Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, and Places within the said Parish of Saint Luke, and for removing and preventing Nuisances, Annoyances, and Encroachments within the same.

and repealed.

II. And be it further enacted, That the Rector, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and Vestrymen of the Parish of Saint Luke aforesaid, for the Time being, shall be, and they are hereby appointed Trustees for putting this Act into Execution.

Trustees.

III. And be it further enacted, That if any Person who shall become a Trustee by virtue of this Act shall accept of or hold any Office under the Trustees, or enter into any Contract, or have any Share or Interest in any Contract relating to the Execution of any of the Powers or Purposes of this Act, every such Person shall, during his Continuance in such Office, or for the Term of such Contract, be disqualified and disabled from acting in the said Trust.

Trustees holding any Office, or being concerned in Contracts, disqualified.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees, or any Seven or more of them, shall meet together in the Vestry Room of the said Parish, on Thursday the Thirtieth Day of May One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, or as soon after as conveniently may be, between the Hours of Three and Five in the Afternoon, and shall then and there proceed to the Execution of this Act, and shall then and from Time to Time afterwards adjourn themselves, and meet at the Place aforesaid, or at any other Place or Places within the said Parish, as the said Trustees shall think proper and convenient, or at the Workhouse of the said Parish, and of which Adjournment Notice in Writing, or printed, and signed by the Vestry Clerk or Clerks of the said Parish for the Time being, (who shall always be the Clerk or Clerks to the said Trustees), shall be given to or left for each Trustee at his last or usual Place of Abode, One Day at least before such intended Meeting; and if at any Meeting there shall not appear a sufficient Number of Trustees to act, or to adjourn to another Day, then the said Clerk or Clerks shall, and he and they is and are hereby required to summon the Trustees in Manner aforesaid, to meet at the Place where the last Meeting was appointed to be held, within Ten Days next after the Day on which such Meeting was to have been held, and so from Time to Time, until a sufficient Number of Trustees shall meet, agreeable to the Directions of this Act; and the said Trustees shall at all their Meetings bear and pay their own Expences.

First Meeting of Trustees.

Notice of Adjournment.

If a sufficient Number of Trustees not present, Clerk to summon the Trustees to attend.

V. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall and may, from Time to Time, appoint a Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, Beadle or Beadles, Scavenger or Scavengers, Inspector or Inspectors, and such other Officer or Officers as they shall think necessary or convenient for the better carrying this Act into Execution, and shall and may from Time to Time discharge all or any such Officer or Officers, and appoint others in the Room of such of them as shall be so discharged, or shall die; and shall take such Security from every Person appointed to any Office or Place under them the said Trustees as

Trustees may appoint Officers.

they shall deem reasonable and proper; and out of the Monies arising by virtue of this Act shall and may pay such Salaries, and make such Allowances, as they shall judge reasonable to the said Vestry Clerk or Clerks, and to the several Officers so appointed, and also shall and may pay or allow any such Sum or Sums of Money as they shall think fit to any Person or Persons aiding and assisting any of their Officers in the Execution of their Duty; and all the Powers and Authorities by this Act given to or vested in such Trustees, shall and may from Time to Time be exercised by or under the Order or Determination of the major Part of the Trustees who shall be present at any Meeting to be holden as herein-before mentioned, such Meeting not to consist of a less Number than Seven, and whenever it shall happen that the Number of Votes upon any Question shall be equal, the Chairman shall have the Casting Vote; and all Orders and Proceedings so determined shall have the same Force and Effect as if assented to by the whole Number of Trustees then present; and all the Orders and Proceedings of the said Trustees at their Meetings shall be entered in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and shall be signed by the said Vestry Clerk or Clerks for the Time being, and being so signed shall be deemed and taken to be Originals, and every such Book shall and may be produced and read in Evidence in all Courts whatsoever; and no Order, Resolution, or Proceeding of such Trustees in the Execution of this Act shall be final and conclusive, unless done or made at some Meeting to be held in pursuance of this Act.

Not less than Seven Trustees to act; and if Votes equal, the Chairman to have the Casting Vote.

Proceedings to be entered in a Book.

VI. And be it further enacted, That all such Trustees as are or shall be Justices of the Peace may act as Justices in all Matters under the Authority of this Act, notwithstanding their being Trustees, and that in all Cases where any Justice or Justices of the Peace is or are authorized by this Act to examine any Person or Persons on Oath or Affirmation, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, and he and they is and are hereby required to administer such Oath, and to take such Affirmation; and that in all Cases where any Parties, Witnesses, Officers

Trustees in the Commission of the Peace may act as Justices, &c.

cers to Trustees, or other Persons, are to be heard or examined by, before, or in the Presence of the said Trustees, in any Case, Matter, or Thing relating to this Act, it shall be lawful for such Trustees to administer an Oath to, or to take the Affirmation of such Parties, Witnesses, Officers, or Persons.

Power of lighting and watching vested in Trustees, who may put up Lamps, erect Watch-houses, Boxes, &c.;

VII. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall and may order Lamps to be set up, and cause the same, as well as such Lamps as have been set up under the Authority of the said former Act, or any of them, to be used for better lighting the open Places, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, and Courts, within and throughout the said Parish, and such present or any new Lamps to displace or remove from Time to Time as they shall see Occasion, and either make Use of the present Watch-houses in the said Parish, or cause some other proper Place or Places within the said Parish to be set up or made for the Reception of the Watchmen to be appointed by the Authority of this Act, and may cause to be set up or made such and so many proper and convenient Boxes or Stands for such Watchmen, at such Places within the said Parish as they shall think proper, and also may cause Lamp Irons to be set up or affixed against the Walls of any Houses, or against any other Walls or Tenements within the said Parish, or upon or against the Rails before the Area of any House therein, or in such other Places or Manner as they shall think fit; and may direct such Number of Watchmen and Beadles as they shall judge necessary, to be employed within the said Parish, and nominate and appoint such honest and able-bodied Men to that Service as they shall think well qualified for the same; and make and give all such Orders and Regulations relative to such Lamps, Watch-houses, Watch-boxes, Stands, Lamp Irons, Watchmen, and Beadles, as they shall think useful or convenient; and shall also order and direct what Number and which of the Constables and Headboroughs of the said Parish shall attend to do Duty every Night, and their several Stations: Provided that the Watchmen and Beadles of the said Parish, appointed by the Trustees

and may appoint Watchmen, &c.

Watchmen and Beadles in Office to continue

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tinue till removed by the Trustees.

under the said former Act, shall be continued in Office until removed by the Trustees under this Act, and shall be deemed, for all the Purposes of this Act, to have had their Appointment under the Authority of the same, and shall be subject to all the Provisions thereof.

Constables to attend to do Duty in Turn every Night.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the Commencement of this Act, the said Constables and Headboroughs, or their respective Deputies, approved of by the said Trustees, shall attend every Night by Turn, and shall keep Watch and Ward within the said Parish for such respective Times, and in such Manner, as shall be from Time to Time appointed by the said Trustees, and shall in their several Turns and Hours of watching use their best Endeavours to prevent Mischief happening by Fire, and all Murders, Burglaries, Felonies, Riots, and all other Disorders and Breaches of the Peace, and to that End shall, and they are hereby impowered and required to arrest, apprehend, and detain all Malefactors, Rogues, Vagabonds, and other disorderly Persons, and Disturbers of the Peace, who shall be found wandering or misbehaving themselves, and shall carry them as soon as conveniently may be before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said County, to be examined and dealt with according to Law; and which said Constables, Headboroughs, or their Deputies, shall Twice or oftener, at convenient Times in every Night, go about their respective Districts, and take Notice whether all the Watchmen perform their Duties in their several Stations, according to such Orders and Regulations which shall be made for that Purpose as aforesaid;

Misbehaviour of Watchmen to be reported to the Trustees.

and if any Watchman shall misbehave himself, or neglect his Duty, the said Beadles, Constables, and Headboroughs, or their Deputies, shall, as soon as conveniently may be, give Notice thereof to the Churchwardens for the Time being, who are hereby authorized to suspend every such Watchman from the Execution of his Office, and appoint another Person to officiate therein until the next Meeting of the said Trustees, when the said Churchwardens, or One of them, shall acquaint the Trustees assembled at such Meeting with the Complaint against

such Watchman, in order for the said Trustees to proceed to the Examination of the Offence, and such Watchman shall forfeit Five Shillings for each Neglect and Misbehaviour, and shall and may be discharged from the Execution of his Office if the said Trustees shall think proper; and Copies of all Orders and Regulations as shall from Time to Time be made for the better Direction and Government of such Constables, Headboroughs, or their respective Deputies, Beadles, and Watchmen, shall be signed by the said Vestry Clerk or Clerks for the Time being, and delivered to the Constables and Headboroughs of the said Parish, or their respective Deputies.

Penalty on Constables, Headboroughs, Deputies, and Beadles, for Neglect of Duty.

IX. And be it further enacted, That if any of the said Constables, Headboroughs, Deputies, or Beadles, shall wilfully neglect in his or their Turn to keep Watch and Ward, and shall not come to keep Watch and Ward in Manner or during the Times which shall be appointed by the said Trustees for his or their Attendance therein, or shall depart from or leave keeping Watch and Ward during the respective Hours appointed by the said Trustees for keeping the same, or shall not go about their respective Districts, and take Notice whether all the Watchmen perform their Duties, or shall otherwise neglect his or their Duty, or misbehave himself or themselves in each and every of the said Cases, the Person or Persons so offending shall respectively forfeit and pay Twenty Shillings for every such Offence.

Watchman's Duty and Power in the Absence of the Constable, &c.

X. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any such Watchmen and Beadles, in the Absence of the Constable, Headborough, or Deputy, and they are hereby respectively required, in their several Stations, during the Time of their keeping Watch and Ward, to apprehend all Malefactors, Rogues, and Vagabonds, and other disorderly Persons, disturbing the publick Peace, and to deliver the Person or Persons so apprehended, as soon as conveniently may be, to the Constable, Headborough, or Deputy of the Night, who is hereby required, as soon as conveniently may be, to convey him, her, or them before some Justice of the Peace

for the said County, to be examined and dealt with according to Law.

Watchman not attending, he die may appoint a Substitute,

XI. And be it further enacted, That when and as often as any Watchman appointed, or to be appointed, under the Authority of this Act, shall make Default in appearing at the Watch-house, or other Place fixed for that Purpose, at such Hour as shall be from Time to Time appointed by the said Trustees for the Meeting of the said Watchmen, before they shall proceed to their respective Stands or Stations, then and so often it shall be lawful for the Beadle or Beadles appointed by the Authority of this Act who shall be present at such Watch-house or Place as aforesaid for the above Purpose, to procure and appoint One other fit and able Person who shall be willing to undertake such Service to patrole and watch in the Stead of every Watchman who shall so make Default in appearing as aforesaid; and every such Person so appointed, and undertaking such Service, shall be deemed to be, and shall be for such respective Nights, a Watchman appointed in pursuance of this Act, and shall be vested with the several Powers and Authorities hereby given to Watchmen, and shall incur and forfeit the same Pains and Penalties for Misbehaviour, or Neglect of Duty, as if such Person had been regularly appointed Watchman under this Act.

who shall be considered as a regular appointed Watchman for the Night.

Trustees may cause the Road to be watered, and the Streets to be cleansed and watered.

XII. And be it further enacted, That the said Trustees shall have Power to cause all the Turnpike Roads within the said Parish to be watered, (Leave for that Purpose having been first had and obtained of the Trustees of such Roads), or any of the other Roads, open Places, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, and Courts, within the said Parish, to be cleansed, and also to be watered as often as they shall think fit, and also to cause any Well or Wells to be dug or sunk in such Places as they shall think proper, (so as the same do not interfere or affect the publick Sewers or Drains, or Watercourses, and so as no Vault, Cellar, or other Building, be thereby destroyed or damaged), and also any Pump or Pumps to be erected in or near such Places for the Purpose of cleansing or watering the said open Places,

Roads,

Roads, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, and Courts.

Materials vested in Trustees.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That the Property of and in all such Lamps, Lamp Irons, Watch-houses, Watch-boxes, Stands, or Places for the Reception of Watchmen, and Pumps, as have been set up, fixed, or made by the Trustees under the said former Act, or may be fixed, set up, or made, under the Authority of this Act, and all the Materials and other Things used or to be used in and about the same, and all the Arms, Accoutrements, and Utensils, which have been allowed or furnished under the Trust of the said former Act, or shall be allowed and furnished to Watchmen under this Act, and all the Goods and Chattels which the Trustees under the said former Act have purchased for the Purposes thereof, or which the Trustees shall purchase for the Purposes of this Act, shall be, and the same are hereby vested in the Trustees hereby appointed, with Power to dispose thereof, or make Use of the same for the Purposes of this Act; and the said Trustees are hereby authorized and impowered to bring or cause to be brought any Action or Actions in the Name or Names of the said Vestry Clerk or Clerks, or Treasurer, or to prefer, or order and direct the preferring any Bill or Bills of Indictment against any Person or Persons who shall steal, take, carry away, damage, or destroy the same respectively.

who may sue in the Name of their Clerk or Treasurer.

Persons wilfully destroying or extinguishing Lamps, damaging Watch-boxes, &c.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall wilfully or maliciously break, pull down, destroy, or otherwise injure, damage, or spoil, any Lamp or Lamp Iron, or other Furniture thereof, that hath been set up under the said former Act, or shall be set up under the Authority of this Act, or wilfully extinguish the Light or Lights in any of such Lamps, or shall wilfully or maliciously pull down, demolish, or damage any of such Watch-houses, Watch-boxes, Stands, or Places for Reception of Watchmen, already set up, or hereafter to be set up as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons whomsoever who shall see any of such Offences committed, to seize, and also for any other Person or Persons to assist in seizing the Offender or

may be taken before a Magistrate.

Offenders, and he and they is and are hereby required so to do by the Authority of this Act, and without any other Warrant to convey and deliver him, her, or them, into the Custody of a Peace Officer, in order to be secured and conveyed before some Justice of the Peace for the said County, and such Justice shall proceed to examine upon Oath any Witness or Witnesses touching any of such Offences, and if the Party or Parties accused shall be convicted, either by his, her, or their Confession, or upon the Information or Evidence of any such Witness or Witnesses as aforesaid, he, she, or they so convicted shall forfeit Twenty Shillings for each Lamp or Lamp Iron, or the Furniture thereof, so taken away, broken, thrown down, or damaged, and for every Lamp the Light wherein shall have been extinguished, and for every Watch-house, Watch-box, Stand, or Place so pulled down, demolished, or damaged as aforesaid, and moreover shall make full Satisfaction for any Damage done by him, her, or them as aforesaid, such Satisfaction to be awarded and levied as herein-after is mentioned with regard to Damage done by Carelessness or Accident.

Penalty for such Offences.

Justices may award Satisfaction for Damages done to Lamps accidentally.

XV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall carelessly or accidentally break, throw down, or damage any Lamp or Lamps already or hereafter to be set up as aforesaid, or the Iron or other Furniture thereof, and shall not immediately upon Demand make Satisfaction for the Damage done, it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace for the said County, upon Complaint to him made by One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, to summon before him the Party or Parties who shall be complained of for doing such Damage as aforesaid, and upon hearing the Allegations and Proofs on both Sides, or Nonappearance of the Party or Parties so complained of, to award such Money, by Way of Satisfaction, to the Trustees under this Act, or the Persons injured, for such Damage, as such Justice shall think reasonable, and in case of Neglect or Refusal to pay any Money so awarded, to cause the same to be levied as other Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures are by this Act directed to be levied.

XVI. And

Work may be done by Contracts.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That all or any of the Works appointed to be done by the said Trustees under this Act may be done by any Person or Persons willing to contract with them for the same, at such Prices, for such stated Times, and in such Manner, and under such Penalties for the Breach thereof, as they shall judge proper.

Trustees may compound for Penalties in such Contracts.

XVII. Provided always, That the said Trustees may compound and agree with any Person or Persons for any Penalty or Penalties contained in any such Contract or Contracts for the Breach or Nonperformance thereof, for such Sum or Sums of Money as they shall think proper, so that the Composition be not less than the Damage or Injury sustained by the Breach or Nonperformance of such Contract or Contracts, and the Charges and Expences which shall be occasioned thereby.

Rates to be made not exceeding 1s. 4d. in the Pound.

XVIII. And, in order to defray the Expence of carrying this Act into Execution, be it further enacted, That One or more Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, shall be made, laid, and assessed by the said Trustees Twice in every Year, or oftener if they shall judge necessary, upon all and every Person and Persons who do or shall inhabit, hold, use, occupy, possess, or enjoy any Land, Ground, House, Shop, Warehouse, Coach House, Stable, Cellar, Vault, Building, Tenement, or Hereditament, or any Part of any Building, Tenement, or Hereditament, situate, lying, and being within the said Parish, and upon all Churches, Chapels, Meeting Houses of Religious Worship, Hospitals, publick Schools, and other publick Buildings, Cemeteries or Burying Places within the said Parish, in such competent Sum and Sums of Money as the said Trustees shall order and direct (so as such Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, do not in the Whole exceed in any One Year the Sum of One Shilling and Four-pence in the Pound on the yearly Rent or Value of such several Houses and Premises liable to be rated thereto as aforesaid); and all such Rates and Assessments shall be paid to the said Trustees, or to such Person or Persons as they shall nominate and appoint to collect the same.

Rates on publick Buildings, &c. by whom to be paid.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the Churchwardens or Chapelwardens for the Time being of such Churches or Chapels, the Deacons, Ministers, Teachers, or Preachers of such Meeting Houses for the Time being, the Stewards or Housekeepers for the Time being of such Hospitals, the Masters or Mistresses for the Time being of such Schools, and the Persons having the Care or Conduct for the Time being of such other publick Buildings as aforesaid, and the Owners and Persons renting or holding such Cemeteries or Burial Places, or the Persons who for the Time being shall receive the Money which shall be paid for burying the Dead therein, shall respectively be charged with and shall pay such Sums of Money as shall from Time to Time be rated, assessed, or imposed on such Churches, Chapels, Meeting Houses, Hospitals, publick Schools, and other publick Buildings, Cemeteries, or Burying Places as aforesaid, and this Act shall be an Indemnity to all Persons making such Payments as aforesaid.

House partly within and partly without the Limits of this Act how to be rated.

XX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any House or Premises within the said Parish shall abut upon any Street or Place, not within the Limits of this Act, such House or Premises shall be assessed to the Rates to be raised by virtue of this Act, for a proportionable Part only of the Rent or Value thereof; and it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Person appointed by them, at some Meeting to be holden for that Purpose, and they or he are or is hereby respectively authorized and required to apportion and settle at how much and what Part of the Rent or Value of such House and Premises the same shall be assessed; and if any Person or Persons shall be dissatisfied therewith, he, she, or they may appeal to the General Quarter Sessions within the Time and in the Manner herein-after mentioned, and the Determination of the Quarter Sessions therein shall be final.

Persons removing, and others succeeding them, to pay due Proportions, to be settled by Two Justices.

XXI. And whereas Persons frequently remove without paying the Money rated or assessed on them, and other Persons enter and occupy their Houses or Tenements Part of the Year only; by reason whereof great Sums of

of Money may be annually loſt; be it therefore further enacted, That where any Perſon or Perſons ſhall come into or occupy any Houſe or Premiſes within the ſaid Pariſh, out of or from which any other Perſon or Perſons rated or aſſeſſed by virtue of this Act ſhall have removed, or which at the Time of making any Rates or Aſſeſſments in purſuance of this Act was or were empty or unoccupied, then and in every ſuch Caſe every Perſon ſo removing from and every Perſon ſo coming into or occupying the ſame, ſhall be liable to pay ſuch Rates or Aſſeſſments in Proportion to the Time that ſuch Perſons occupied the ſame reſpectively, to be recovered in the ſame Manner as if ſuch Perſon ſo removing had not removed, or ſuch Perſon ſo coming in or occupying had been originally rated or aſſeſſed to ſuch Rates, which ſaid Proportion ſhall, in caſe of Diſpute, be ſettled by any Two Juſtices of the Peace for the County of Middleſex, whoſe Determination ſhall be final.

Leſſees, &c. ſubject to Rates of Houſes let to Lodgers.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That where any Leſſee, Landlord, or Owner of any Houſes or Buildings within the ſaid Pariſh, do or ſhall let the ſame in ſeparate Apartments, or ready furniſhed to a Lodger or Lodgers, or let any Vaults or Cellars under ſuch Houſes as ſhall be let in ſeparate Apartments or ready furniſhed to a Lodger or Lodgers, ſo that there ſhall be ſeveral Occupations, ſuch Leſſee, Landlord, or Owner, ſhall be deemed and taken to be the Occupier thereof, and ſhall be liable and ſubject to the Rates and Aſſeſſments directed by this Act to be made, laid, and levied, according to the yearly Rent or Value of the Whole of ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Vaults, or Cellars; and that every Perſon ſo renting or occupying any ſuch Apartment or ready furniſhed Lodging, Vault, or Cellar as aforeſaid, ſhall be liable and compellable to the Payment of the Whole of the ſaid Rates or Aſſeſſments impoſed by virtue of this Act upon the entire Tenement, to be recovered in Manner hereindirected, and that every ſuch reſpective Occupier or Occupiers, who ſhall pay any ſuch Rate or Aſſeſſment, or any Arrears due thereon, or from whom the ſame ſhall be recovered in purſuance of this Act, ſhall and may deduct the

Perſons occupying ſeparate Apartments liable to pay Rates, who may deduct the ſame from their Rents.

ſame

same out of the next Rent due and payable from him, her, or them, to such respective Lessee, Landlord, or Owner, and the Receipt for such Payment shall be a sufficient Discharge to such Tenant or Tenants for so much Money as he, she, or they shall pay, or as shall be levied on him, her, or them, by virtue of this Act; and in Default of Payment of the said Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, the same shall be and remain a Charge upon the said Premises, and shall and may be recovered of and from the said Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners thereof respectively, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of his Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster.

Trustees may remit Persons unable to pay the Rates.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Occupier of any Hereditaments and Premises which may be assessed by virtue of this Act shall be unable to bear and pay the Rate or Assessment made thereon, or any Charges or Expences relating thereto (such Inability being proved to the Satisfaction of the said Trustees), it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to remit the Whole or such Part of the same as they shall think proper.

Trustees may compound with Owners of Houses under the yearly Value of Ten Pounds.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees from Time to Time to compound with the Lessee, Landlord, or Owner, of any House or Houses, or any other Buildings in the said Parish, the annual Rent or Value whereof shall be under Ten Pounds, for the Rate or Rates with which such House or Houses, or other Buildings, shall be assessed or charged by this Act, so as in such Composition there be not remitted more than One Third of the Rate by this Act laid upon such Houses or Buildings respectively.

Commencement of the Rate.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That the First Rate or Assessment directed to be made as aforesaid shall commence from the Twenty-fourth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, and the First Payment thereof shall become due and payable on the Twenty-ninth Day of September next following, and every Rate or Assessment to be made as aforesaid shall always commence from the Time the last preceding Rate

or Assessment ended, and not otherwise, and the Monies therein and thereby charged and assessed shall be payable quarterly, and be levied and recovered in Manner hereinafter directed.

Arrears of Rates how to be recovered.

XXVI. And, for the better enforcing the Payment of the Rates or Assessments to be made by virtue of this Act, be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons liable to pay any of the said Rates or Assessments shall refuse or neglect to pay the Money rated or assessed upon him, her, or them respectively, and all Arrears due thereon, it shall be lawful for any One or more of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County, and he and they is and are hereby required to summon, by Writing under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, all and every Person and Persons who shall have refused or neglected as aforesaid (upon Oath being made before such Justice or Justices, by the Collector or Collectors to the Trustees for the Time being, of his or their having attended upon or at the Dwelling House of such Person and Persons then intended to be summoned, and demanded the Rate or Rates, and of such Person or Persons having refused or neglected to pay the said Rate or Rates) to appear before such Justice or Justices, at a Time and Place to be mentioned in such Summons, or any other such Justice or Justices as shall be then and there present, and it shall be lawful for the Collector or Collectors to be appointed by the said Trustees, or any of the Constables or Headboroughs of the said Parish, to serve every such Summons, either by delivering the same to the Person or Persons intended to be summoned, or leaving the same at his, her, or their last or usual Place or Places of Abode; and if any Person so summoned shall refuse or neglect to attend at the Time and Place mentioned in such Summons, or if he, she, or they shall attend, and shall not shew sufficient Cause that he, she, or they is or are not chargeable with such Rate or Rates, then all and every the Person and Persons who shall have been so summoned shall pay the reasonable Costs and Charges of such Summons, and in all Cases where the said Rate and Rates, or any of them, shall not

be paid upon the Return of such Summons, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices who shall have issued such Summons or Summonses, or such as shall be present at the Return thereof as aforesaid, and he and they is and are hereby required (upon Oath made before him or them of the due Service of such Summons or Summonses) to grant a Warrant or Warrants under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, authorizing the said Collector or Collectors, or any Constable or Headborough of the said Parish, to collect and levy all and every such Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, and all Arrears due thereon, and the Expences of the Summons (if the same shall not have been before paid) and Warrant, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Party so neglecting or refusing, which shall be found either within the said County of Middlesex, or in any other County, City, or Liberty (such Warrant being first backed or counterſigned by some Magistrate of the County, City, or Liberty where the Distress is to be made, if out of the County of Middlesex, which Warrant such Magistrate is hereby authorized and required to back or counterſign without Fee or Reward), and if within Five Days after any such Distress shall be made, the said Rates or Assessments, and all Arrears due thereon, together with the reasonable Charges of the said Summons and Warrant, and the taking and keeping of the said Distress, shall not be paid, the said Collector or Collectors, Constable or Constables, Headborough or Headboroughs, shall cause the said Goods and Chattels to be appraised and sold, or such Part thereof as shall be sufficient to pay such Rates or Assessments, together with all Arrears due thereon, and the reasonable Charges aforesaid, and the Charges of appraising and selling the same (such Charges, in case of any Dispute relating thereto, to be ascertained and settled by the Justice or Justices of the Peace granting such Warrant or Warrants of Distress respectively), returning the Overplus (if any) to the Owner or Owners of such Goods and Chattels respectively, upon Demand thereof made by him, her, or them.

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XXVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments which have been made by virtue of the said former Act remaining unpaid, and all Arrears thereof respectively, shall and may be collected by the Collector or Collectors appointed under the former Act or this Act, and may be recovered by virtue of the several Powers contained in this Act, with respect to the Rates hereby authorized to be imposed, and shall be applied for the general Purposes of this Act; and all the Clauses, Powers, Provisions, Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties provided or enacted concerning the Rates or Assessments authorized by this Act, shall be in force, and applied with regard to such Rates or Assessments as have been made under the said former Act, and remain unpaid as aforesaid, and all Arrears thereof.

Arrears of Rates made by the former Act to be recovered by this Act.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where a Distress is authorized to be made by this Act, if any Constable or Headborough of the Parish or Place where the same is to be made, upon being called upon by any Collector or Collectors, or any other Person (who shall have obtained such Warrant of Distress) shall neglect or refuse to aid and assist in making such Distress and Sale, such Constable or Headborough shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of Forty Shillings.

Penalty on Constables, &c. not assisting on making Distress.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That where the Person or Persons against whom any Warrant or Warrants of Distress shall have issued, wheresoever resident, for enforcing the Payment of the Rates or Assessments to be made by virtue of this Act, shall have no Goods or Chattels whereupon the same can be levied, or there shall be any Deficiency to answer such Distress, then and in either of such Cases it shall be lawful for any Justice or Justices of the Peace, or other Magistrate, where the Party shall be resident, by Warrant under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, to commit such Person or Persons respectively to the House of Correction, for any Time not exceeding One Month, nor less than Ten Days, to be reckoned from the Day of Commitment, and until he, she, or they shall have paid

Where Distress Warrant is issued for Nonpayment of the Rates, and no Distress can be found, Party to be committed.

the Whole of such Rate or Assessment, Arrears, and Charges.

May bring Actions for Rates.

XXX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees (if they shall think it more expedient) to bring or cause to be brought, in the Name or Names of the said Vestry Clerk or Clerks, or of any One or more of the Trustees, any Action or Actions of Debt, or Special Action on the Case, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster, for all or any of the Rates or Assessments to be made by virtue of this Act, in which Action or Actions it shall be sufficient for the Plaintiff to declare that the Defendant is indebted to him the Plaintiff in such Sum of Money as the Plaintiff shall suppose to be due, and if the Plaintiff shall recover such Sum so declared for, or any Part thereof, he shall have full Costs, to be levied and recovered as other Monies upon Judgements are now by Law levied or recovered, in which Action or Actions no Essoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed.

Treasurer and Collectors to account.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That the Treasurer, Collector and Collectors to the said Trustees shall, upon Seven Days Notice in Writing given or left for them respectively at his or their usual Place or Places of Abode, signed by the said Vestry Clerk or Vestry Clerks, deliver in to the said Trustees a true and particular Account in Writing under the respective Hands of such Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, of all Matters and Things delivered to their Charge by virtue of their respective Offices, or of this Act, and also of all Monies which they shall have respectively received or collected by virtue of their respective Offices; and the said Treasurer, Collector and Collectors shall in their respective Accounts distinguish how much thereof shall have been paid and disbursed by Order of the said Trustees, and for what Purposes, together with the proper Vouchers for such Payments; and the said Treasurer, Collector and Collectors, shall verify their respective Accounts upon Oath if thereto required by the said Trustees (which Oath the said Trustees are hereby impowered to administer), and

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the said Collector and Collectors shall also deliver in to the said Trustees a true List of the Names of all Persons who shall have neglected or refused to pay their respective Rates or Assessments, and of the Monies from him, her, or them respectively due and in Arrear, together with the Dates at which the same respectively became due, to the Intent that all such Arrears may be speedily got in and recovered; and if any such Treasurer, Collector or Collectors shall, after such Notice given as aforesaid, neglect or refuse to bring in his or their Account or Accounts as aforesaid, or to produce and deliver proper Vouchers for all such Payments by him and them respectively made, or to verify the same upon Oath (if required so to do) as aforesaid, or if any such Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, shall refuse or neglect to account for any Sum or Sums of Money by him or them respectively received and collected as aforesaid, and to pay the same and every Part thereof to such Person or Persons as shall be by the said Trustees appointed to receive the same, or shall not deliver to the said Trustees, or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, within Seven Days next after such Notice given as aforesaid, all Books, Papers, and Writings in his or their Custody or Power, relating to his or their Office or Offices, or to the Execution of this Act, every such Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, so refusing or neglecting, shall for every such Neglect or Refusal respectively forfeit the Sum of Five Pounds; and it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, and they are hereby authorized and impowered to bring or cause to be brought any Action or Actions, in the Names of any of the said Trustees, against such Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, for the Recovery of the said Forfeitures, and also of all the Monies which shall be in their respective Hands as Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, as aforesaid, or the said Trustees may order the said Vestry Clerk or Clerks to lay Complaint of any such Neglect or Refusal before any Justice of the Peace for the County of Middlesex, and such Justice may and he is hereby authorized and required, by a Warrant or Warrants under his Hand and Seal, to cause such Offender or Offenders so be brought before him, and upon his or their appear- Penalty on Default.

ing, or not being to be found, to hear and determine the Matter of such Complaint in a summary Way; and if upon the Confession of the Offender or Offenders, or the Testimony of any credible Witness or Witnesses upon Oath (all which Oaths any Justice of the Peace for the County of Middlesex is hereby empowered to administer), it shall appear to such Justice that any of the Monies which shall have been collected or received by virtue of this Act shall be in the Hands of such Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, so unaccounted for by them respectively, such Justice may, by Warrant or Warrants under his Hand and Seal (which Warrant or Warrants such Justice is hereby impowered and required to grant), cause such Money, as also such Forfeiture as aforesaid, to be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, respectively; and in case sufficient Distress cannot be found to answer and satisfy such Money, as also the said Forfeiture, and the Charges of distraining and selling the Goods and Chattels so distrained, then and in either of the Cases aforesaid it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace for the said County, and he is hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to cause such Offender or Offenders to be committed to the Common Gaol of the said County, there to remain, without Bail or Mainprize, until he or they shall make and give such true and particular Account and Payment as aforesaid, or until he or they shall compound with the said Trustees, and shall have paid such Composition as they shall appoint (which Composition the said Trustees are hereby impowered to make and accept), and until he or they shall have delivered up such Books, Papers, Writings, and Vouchers as aforesaid, or have given Satisfaction in respect thereof to the said Trustees: Provided always, that no such Offender, who shall be committed for Want of sufficient Distress, shall be detained in Prison for any longer Space of Time than One Calendar Month.

Monies in the Hands of Treasurer or Collector

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That if any such Treasurer, Collector or Collectors, shall happen to die, or

or become Bankrupt, or take the Benefit of any Insolvent Act, before he or they shall have fully paid and satisfied all the Monies by him or them received by virtue of this Act, then and in every such Case the Executors or Administrators, or other legal Representative or Representatives, or Person or Persons possessing the Estate and Effects of every such Treasurer or Collector, or the Assignee or Assignees of every such Bankrupt or Insolvent, shall, out of the Estate and Effects of the Party so dying, becoming Bankrupt or Insolvent, pay unto the said Trustees, or the Treasurer for the Time being to the said Trustees, all such Sums of Money as shall be in the Hands of such Persons respectively at the Time of his or their Death, or at or after the Time of his becoming Bankrupt or Insolvent, and not paid over, or so much thereof as the Estate and Effects will extend to pay, in Preference to any other Creditor, and the Receipt or Receipts of the said Treasurer shall be a good Discharge for the said Money to the Person or Persons paying the same; and every Executor or Administrator, or Assignee, or such other Person or Persons paying the same as aforesaid, may to any Action, Suit, or Prosecution commenced or brought against him, her, or them, plead and give in Evidence the Authority of this Act for such Payment, and shall be allowed the same prior to any Specialty Judgement, or other Debt or Demand whatsoever; and in case of Nonpayment of the same by the Space of Two Years after the same shall have been demanded, it shall be lawful for the Treasurer for the Time being to such Trustees, in his own Name, to commence One or more Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster, against such Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, or other Persons as aforesaid, for the Recovery of the same, in which Action no Essoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed.

dying or becoming Bankrupts, or Insolvent, how to be paid and recovered.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That the Treasurer to the said Trustees shall and is hereby required, out of the Monies which he shall receive in pursuance of this Act, to pay all Sums of Money drawn upon him, or

Treasurer to pay Monies to Order of the Trustees.

or which he shall be ordered to pay by the said Trustees for the Purposes of this Act, and such Treasurer shall and is hereby required to keep regular and fair Entries, in a Book to be provided for that Purpose, of all the Receipts and Payments which he shall make on the Account aforesaid, to which Book every Person liable to the Payment of the said Rates or Assessments shall and may have free Access at all convenient Times, and shall be permitted to inspect the same without Fee or Reward; and the said Trustees are hereby impowered and required to audit the said Account, and also the Books and Accounts of the Collector or Collectors, Twice in every Year, or oftener, if they shall judge necessary, and pass the same if such Account shall appear just.

Treasurer, &c. having Money in Hand, by virtue of the Act hereby repealed, to pay the same to the Trustees under this Act.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to draw on the Treasurer of the Trustees under the former Act for the Balance or Net Sum of Money remaining in his Hands as Treasurer of the said Trustees, or belonging to the said Trust under the former Act, (which said Treasurer, and all other Persons having any of the said Trust Money in their Hands, are hereby impowered and required to pay the same to the Order of such Trustees, and are indemnified in respect of such Payment), which Money, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, shall be applied in paying the Costs, Charges, and Expences of passing this Act, and all Charges incident to the obtaining thereof, and the Surplus (if any) to the general Purposes thereof; and in case the said Balance in the Hands of the said Treasurer or other Persons shall be deficient to pay the Whole of the Costs, Charges, and Expences of passing this Act, and all Charges incident to the obtaining thereof, such Deficiency shall be borne, paid, and defrayed, out of the First Monies to arise by virtue of this Act.

Trustees may borrow Money by Annuities, or at Interest, if they think fit.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees to raise by Sale of Life Annuities, or upon Bonds or other Securities, bearing Interest, for the Purposes of this Act, to any Person or Persons who shall be willing to contribute, advance, and

pay the same to the said Trustees, or their Treasurer for the Time being, any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the Whole the Sum of Six hundred Pounds, such Annuities to be made payable quarterly, during the natural Lives of such Contributors respectively, or the natural Life or Lives of such other Person or Persons as shall be nominated by such respective Contributors, and a proportionable Part of each Annuity to be paid from the last quarterly Day of Payment to the Day of the Death of the Annuitant, or his Cestui qui Vie; all which Annuities shall be publickly sold by the said Trustees to the best Bidder for the same, Four Days Notice of the Time and Place of selling the same being first given in some or One of the publick Newspapers circulating in the Metropolis; and the Annuities so to be purchased, and all other Monies which may be lent on the Credit of this Act, and the Interest thereof, are hereby charged upon and shall be paid out of the Monies arising by the Rates or Assessments herein-before mentioned, or otherwise, under this Act, and the said Annuities shall be free and exempted from all Parliamentary or other Taxes, Duties, Rates, and Assessments whatsoever.

Notice to be given previous to raising Money.

XXXVI. And it is hereby enacted, That there shall be provided by the said Trustees, and kept by the said Vestry Clerk or Clerks, a Book or Books, in which shall be fairly written, in Words at Length, the Names and Surnames, with the proper Additions and Places of Abode, of all such Persons as shall be Purchasers of the Annuities aforesaid, or as shall lend any Sum or Sums of Money on Bond or other Security, and the Names of the Persons into whose Hands the said Purchasers or Lenders shall pay any Sum or Sums of Money upon the Credit of this Act, and also the Sum and Sums of Money so paid for the Purchase of Annuities, or lent on Bond or other Security, and the respective Days of Payment thereof, to which Book or Books the said respective Purchasers and Lenders, and their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and any Person or Persons who shall be liable to pay any Rates or Assessments to be

Securities to be entered in a Book.

made by virtue of this Act, shall at all reasonable Times have Access, with free Liberty to inspect the same, without Fee or Reward.

Contributors to have Receipts.

XXXVII. And be it further enacted, That every Contributor for the Purchase of any such Annuity or Annuities as aforesaid, upon the Payment of the Consideration or Purchase Money for the same, or any Part thereof, shall have a Receipt or Receipts, purporting to be a Receipt of so much Purchase Money as shall be so paid, and upon Payment of all the Purchase Money for any such Annuity or Annuities, every such Contributor, his, her, or their Assigns respectively, shall have an Order on Parchment or Vellum for Payment of the said Annuity or Annuities for his or her natural Life, or the Life of such Person as shall be nominated by such Contributor or Contributors as aforesaid, which Order shall be signed by the said Trustees, and after signing thereof the same shall be an effectual Security for Payment of such Annuity or Annuities, according to this Act.

Securities may be assigned.

XXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Person and Persons to whom any such Bond or other Security or Securities shall be made, or any such Annuity sold and ordered to be paid as aforesaid, may by Assignment under their respective Hands, indorsed on their respective Bonds, Orders, or Securities, or by any other Writing or Writings signed in the Presence of Two or more credible Witnesses, assign his, her, or their Right to the Principal and Interest Money, or Annuity, thereby respectively secured, to any Person or Persons whomsoever; all which Assignments or Transfers shall be produced and notified to the said Clerk or Clerks within Ten Days next after the Date thereof, who shall cause an Entry of such Assignments to be made, containing the Dates and Names of the Parties, and the Sums of Money or Annuities therein mentioned to be assigned in the said Book or Books to be kept for entering the said original Bonds, Annuities, and Securities, for which the said Clerk or Clerks shall be paid the Sum of Two Shillings and Sixpence, and no more, (and which said Book or Books shall and may, at all convenient Times,

be perused and inspected, without Fee or Reward, by any Person or Persons interested in such Security or Securities, Assignment or Assignments); and after such Entry shall be made, such Assignment shall be deemed to pass the legal Property of and in such Bond, Annuity, or Security, and all the Benefit thereof, to such Assignee or Assignees, and his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, who may in like Manner assign or transfer again, and so toties quoties.

Penalty on Persons, except the Scavenger to be appointed under this Act, collecting Dust or Ashes.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons, other than the Scavenger or Scavengers who shall be appointed by, or contract with the said Trustees, or those employed under him or them, shall collect or carry away any Dust, Cinders, or Ashes, from any House, Outhouses, or other Premises, in any Road, Square, Street, Lane, Alley, Yard, Court or Place within the said Parish, then and in every such Case it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons whomsoever, who shall see such Offence committed, to seize, and also for any other Person or Persons to assist in seizing the Offender or Offenders, and he and they is and are hereby required so to do by the Authority of this Act, and without any other Warrant to convey and deliver him, her, or them into the Custody of a Peace Officer, in order to be secured and conveyed before some Justice of the Peace of the said County of Middlesex, and every such Person or Persons so collecting or carrying away such Dust, Cinders, or Ashes, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Forty Shillings for the First Offence, and the Sum of Five Pounds for the Second, and every other subsequent Offence; and in case the said Penalties be not forthwith paid, or Security given for the Payment thereof, to the Satisfaction of the Justice or Justices before whom such Offender or Offenders shall be convicted, such Offender or Offenders shall be committed to the House of Correction for the said County, for any Time not exceeding Thirty Days, nor less than Ten Days, to be computed from the Day of Commitment, unless such Penalty or Penalties, and all Charges, shall be sooner paid.

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If such Offender cannot be apprehended, the Owner of the Horse and Cart employed in carrying away the Dust shall pay the Penalty.

XL. And be it further enacted, That in case the Person or Persons who shall so collect or carry away any Dust, Cinders, or Ashes, without being properly authorized by the Scavenger or Scavengers appointed by or contracting with the said Trustees, cannot be apprehended, then, and in every such Case, the Owner or Owners of the Cart or Carriage in which such Dust, Cinders, or Ashes shall be placed, in order to be carried away, or of any Horse or Beast drawing or carrying away the same, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Forty Shillings for the First Offence, and for the Second or any subsequent Offence the Sum of Five Pounds, and that it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons whomsoever to seize or cause to be seized any such Cart or Carriage, together with the Horse or Horses, Beast or Beasts, drawing the same, or any Horse or Beast carrying away the same, and drive, remove, and take, or cause the same to be driven, removed, or taken to such Place, in or near the said Parish, as the Officer or Inspector appointed by the said Trustees shall order and direct, there to be kept and detained until the Owner or Owners thereof, or his, her, or their known Servant or Servants, shall and do pay to the Person or Persons in whose Custody the same shall be, the said Penalty, together with the Charges of removing the same, and of keeping such Horse or Horses, or other Beast (if any); and in case the same shall not be demanded, and the said Penalty and Charges paid, within Five Days, then it shall be lawful for the Officer or Inspector appointed by the said Trustees to order the same to be appraised and sold, and the Money arising therefrom shall be applied, One Moiety to the Person who shall apprehend any such Offender, or seize, carry, or take to the said Place such Cart, Carriage, or Beast, and the other Moiety according to Law, returning the Overplus (if any) after deducting the said Penalty, and the Charges attending such Removal, and of maintaining and keeping such Horse or Horses, or other Beast, and of appraising and selling such Cart, Carriage, Horse, or Beast, to the Owner or Owners thereof upon Demand;

Demand; and the Scavenger or Scavengers appointed by, or contracting with, the said Trustees, is and are hereby required to remove and carry the Dust, Cinders, and Ashes away from the Places appropriated by the Inhabitants of the said Parish in or near their Houses for the Reception thereof, until such Removal as aforesaid.

For preventing Annoyances,

XLI. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall throw, cast, or lay, or cause to be thrown, cast, or laid, any Soil, Rubbish, Dirt, Timber, Dust, Dung, Filth, or any other Annoyance, into any open Place, Square, Street, Lane, Alley, or other publick Passage or Place, or Watercourse, or before or against the Church or Church Yard within the said Parish; or saw any Stone or Timber in any such Square, Street, Lane, Passage, or Place; or kill, slaughter, singe, burn, scald, dress, or cut up, or cause to be killed, slaughtered, singed, burnt, scalded, dressed, or cut up, any Beast, Swine, Calf, Sheep, Lamb, or other Cattle, in any of the open Places, Roads, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, and Courts, within the said Parish, every Person or Persons so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay Twenty Shillings; and if any Swine shall be found wandering about the Roads, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, open Places, and Courts, within the said Parish, the Owner or Owners thereof shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay Ten Shillings, and it shall be lawful for the Inspector, Officer or Officers appointed by the said Trustees, or any other Person or Persons, to impound such Swine in the Common Pound, or such other Place, in or near the said Parish, as shall be appointed for that Purpose by such Inspector or Officer, and the same there to detain until the said Forfeiture of Ten Shillings, and the Expence of impounding and keeping such Swine, shall be fully paid and satisfied; and if in such Case such Penalty and Expences shall not be paid within Six Days after such Swine shall be so impounded, it shall be lawful for the Inspector or Officer appointed by the said Trustees to sell or cause such Swine to be sold, and the Overplus

(if any) to be paid to the Owner or Owners thereof: Provided, that whether such Swine shall be so impounded or not, the Owner or Owners thereof shall nevertheless forfeit and pay the said Penalty of Ten Shillings.

Bonfires, Fireworks, &c.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall make, or assist in making, any Fire or Fires, commonly called Bonfires, or shall set fire to, or let off, or throw any Squib, Serpent, Rocket, or other Fireworks, in any of the Roads, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, open Places, and Courts, within the said Parish; or if any Person or Persons shall put or place any Stall, Board, Basket, Wheelbarrow, Wares, Merchandizes, Casks, or Goods of any Kind, in or upon any of the Carriage or Footways; or shall drain, or suffer to be drained, any Soil, Blood, or other Filth, in any of the Channels of the said Roads, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, open Places, and Courts; or drive or place, or cause to be driven and placed, any Coach, Cart, Waggon, Dray, or other Carriage, upon any of the Carriage Ways within the said Parish, so as to occasion any Obstruction or Annoyance, and shall not immediately remove the same, when required so to do by any Person or Persons whomsoever; or shall run, drive, or draw, or cause to be run, drawn, or driven, any Coach, Waggon, Cart, Dray, or other Carriage, or any Wheel, Sledge, Truck, or Wheelbarrow; or shall ride, lead, place, or drive, or cause to be rode, led, placed, or driven, any Horse, Ass, Mule, or other Cattle, upon any of the Foot Ways of the open Places, Roads, Squares, Streets, and Lanes within the said Parish, he, she, or they shall forfeit, for every such Offence, the Sum of Forty Shillings; and it shall be lawful for the Inspector or Officer appointed by the said Trustees, or any other Person or Persons whomsoever, who shall see any of such Offences committed, to seize, and also for any other Person or Persons to assist in seizing, the Offender or Offenders, and he and they is and are hereby required so to do by the Authority of this Act, and without any other Warrant, to convey and deliver him, her, or them into the Custody of a Peace Officer,

Officer, in order to be secured, and conveyed before some Justice of the Peace for the County of Middlesex, who upon Oath being made of any such Offence or Offences as aforesaid shall commit the Offender or Offenders to the House of Correction for the said County, for any Time not exceeding Thirty Days, nor less than Seven Days, unless the said Penalty, and all Charges attending the same, shall be sooner paid; and in case the said Offender or Offenders cannot be apprehended, then and in every such Case it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons whomsoever to seize, or cause to be seized, any such Stall, Board, Basket, Wheelbarrow, Wares, Merchandizes, Casks, Goods, Coach, Cart, Waggon, Dray, or other Carriage, and all Goods, or other Things, which may be therein or on the same, together with the Horse or Horses, Beast or Beasts (if any shall be thereunto belonging), with the Harness, Gear, Tackle, and Accoutrements thereof, and also such Wheels, Sledge, Truck, or Wheelbarrow, and all Goods and Things which may be in or on the same, or other Carriage, and every Article, Matter, and Thing, and cause the same to be removed or taken to such Place, in or near the said Parish, as shall be appointed for that Purpose by such Inspector or Officer, there to be kept and detained until the Owner or Owners thereof, or his or their known Servant or Servants, shall and do pay to the Person or Persons in whose Custody the same shall be, the said Penalty, together with the Charges of removing the same, and of keeping such Horse or Horses, or other Beast (if any); and in case the Goods, Carriages, Drays, Horse or Horses, or other Cattle, Materials, Articles, Matters, or Things so removed, shall not be demanded, and the said Penalty and Charges paid, within Five Days next after such Removal, then it shall be lawful for such Inspector or Officer to order the same to be appraised and sold, and the Money arising therefrom shall be applied One Moiety to the Person who shall apprehend any such Offender, or seize, carry, or take to the said Place any such Cart, Carriage, or Beast, or shall seize any such Stall, Board,

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Basket, Wheelbarrow, Casks, Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, Materials, Articles, and Things, and the other Moiety according to Law, returning the Overplus (if any) after deducting the said Penalty, and the Charges attending such Removal, and of maintaining and keeping such Horse or Horses, or other Beast, and of appraising and selling such Cart, Carriage, Horse, or Beast, or such other Artitles, Matters, or Things, seized as aforesaid, unto the Owner or Owners thereof.

Persons guilty of certain Nuisances may be committed.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall begin to empty any Boghouse or Boghouses, or to take away any Night Soil from any House or Houses within the said open Places, Roads, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Passages, and Courts, or come with any Carts or Carriages for that Purpose, save and except between the Hours of Eleven of the Clock in the Night and Five of the Clock in the Morning, from Lady Day to Michaelmas, and between Eleven of the Clock at Night and Six of the Clock in the Morning from Michaelmas to Lady Day, or if any Person or Persons shall put or cast, or cause to be put or cast, out of any Cart, Tub, or otherwise, any such Night Soil in or near any of the Roads, open Places, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Passages, Courts, Yards, and Alleys, within the said Parish, or within half a Mile thereof, it shall be lawful for any such Constables, Headboroughs, Beadles, or Watchmen (and they are hereby strictly charged and required, and directed so to do) or any other Person or Persons whomsoever, to apprehend and carry any Person or Persons guilty of the said Offences to any Watch House of the said Parish, and from thence to convey him, her, or them, as soon as conveniently may be, before some Justice of the Peace for the said County of Middlesex, who (upon Oath made of such Offence or Offences as aforesaid) shall commit such Offender or Offenders to the House of Correction for the same County, for any Time not exceeding Thirty Days, nor less than Seven Days, to be computed from the Day of Commitment, and the Owner or Owners of any Carts, Carriages,

riages, Horses, or Beasts, employed in and about emptying or removing such Night Soil, save and except within the Hours hereby allowed, shall forfeit the Sum of Forty Shillings for every such Offence; and any Person or Persons may seize such Carts or Carriages, or the Horses or Beasts drawing the same, and drive, remove, or take such Carts or Carriages, Horses or Beasts, to such Place, in or near the said Parish, as the Inspector or Officer appointed by the said Trustees shall order and direct, there to be detained until the Owner or Owners shall pay the said Penalty, together with all Charges relating thereto; and in case the same shall not be demanded, and the said Penalty and Charges paid, within Five Days next after such Seizure, then it shall be lawful for such Inspector or Officer to order the same to be appraised and sold, and the Money arising therefrom shall be applied in Payment of such Penalty and Charges, returning the Overplus (if any) to the Owner or Owners thereof on Demand.

This Act not to extend to that Part of the Parish of *Saint Luke* within the Limits of 20 *Geo.* III, Cap. 48, or 31 *Geo.* III, Cap. 90.

XLIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted and declared, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed, adjudged, deemed, or taken to extend, to that Part of the said Parish which is within the Limits of an Act, made in the Twentieth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act for repairing, lighting, watching, and cleansing, the High Street or Road, called *Goswell Street*, leading from *Aldersgate Barrs*, without *Aldersgate*, *London*, to the House of *Woodhouse Coker* Gentleman, near the Turnpike at the End of the said Street or Road, in the County of *Midalesex*; and also *Bull Yard*, *Glass House Yard*, the North Side of *Fan's Alley*, *Mount Mill*, and *Willow Court*, contiguous to the said Street or Road, on the East and West Sides thereof; and for removing Nuisances therefrom, and preventing the like for the future; or within the Limits of an Act made in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act for paving, lighting, watching, repairing, and keeping in Repair, *Finsbury Square* in the Parish of *Saint Luke*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and Part of the Manor of *Finsbury*, and certain other Streets and Places communicating

with or near to the said Square, and for preventing and removing Nuisances and Annoyances within the same.

Directions for Payment of a yearly Sum mentioned in the last Act.

XLV. Provided always, That the yearly Sum of Money which the Trustees under the last-mentioned Act are thereby directed to pay to the Trustees under the Act of the Twenty-seventh Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, shall be paid to the Trustees for the Time being under this Act, and the like Powers, Provisions, Penalties, and Forfeitures, as were given and granted by the said Act of the Thirty-first of his present Majesty, for the ascertaining and recovering of such yearly Sum of Money to the Trustees under the said Act of the Twenty-seventh Year of his late Majesty, are hereby given and granted to the Trustees under this Act, as fully and effectually as if the same were herein repeated and re-enacted, and the Penalties and Forfeitures incurred by the Nonpayment of the said yearly Sum of Money, or any Part thereof, or in any Manner relating to the same, may be recovered by the Trustees under this Act, in like Manner as the Trustees under the said Act of the Twenty-seventh Year of King George the Second were enabled to recover the said Penalties and Forfeitures by the said Act of the Thirty-first of his present Majesty: Provided always, That if any Person or Persons who shall have committed any Offence against this Act, shall have been convicted thereof, such Person or Persons shall not be liable to any Conviction, or to pay any Fine or Forfeiture, or be imprisoned for the like Offence by the Authority of any Act other than this Act, nor shall any Person or Persons who shall have been convicted by the Authority of any other Act now in Force within the said Parish of Saint Luke, of any Offence also against this Act, be liable to pay any Fine or Forfeiture, or suffer Imprisonment for the same Offence by the Authority of this Act.

Persons convicted not to suffer under more than One Act.

Restrictions on the Application of the Rates.

XLVI. And be it further enacted, That the Trustees under this Act shall not apply any of the Rates or Assessments to be imposed by virtue of this Act (except the yearly Payment to be made to the Trustees of Old

Street Road, in lieu of Statute Labour on the said Road, as herein-after is mentioned), to the Purposes of ballasting, gravelling, or repairing any Road, Way, or Passage, but the same shall, from Time to Time, be repaired by the Landlord or Landlords, Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers respectively, of Lands, Houses, Tenements, Hereditaments, or Premisses next adjoining on each Side of such Road, Way, or Passage, any Thing herein contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

For paying a Sum of Money annually to the Trustees of *Old Street Road*, in lieu of Statute Labour.

XLVII. And whereas, by an Act of Parliament, made and passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for providing a Maintenance for the Rector of the new Church near *Old Street*, in the Parish of *Saint Giles, Cripplegate*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, after reciting (amongst other Things) that all the Roads and Highways lay in the District appointed for the then new intended Parish, and the Number of Houses in the said new intended Parish, were many more than the old Parish, it is enacted, That the said Roads and Highways should, from and after the Commencement of the said Act, be repaired by the Means and Methods provided by the Laws then in being, and all and every Sum and Sums of Money which should be expended and laid out in and for the repairing the same should be paid and disbursed by the said Parishes respectively, in the Proportions following; (that is to say), Five Eighth Parts thereof by the said new intended Parish, commonly called The Lordship Part, and the other Three Eighth Parts thereof by the said old Parish, commonly called The Freedom Part: And whereas, by an Act of Parliament, made and passed in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act for enlarging the Term and Powers of Two Acts, made in the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-ninth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, for repairing and widening *Old Street Road*, in the Parishes of *Saint Luke*, and *Saint Leonard Shoreditch*, in the County of *Middlesex*, it is (amongst other Things) enacted, That the said several Parishes of Saint Giles Cripplegate,

Cripplegate, and Saint Luke, should pay, or cause to be paid, the yearly Sum of Sixty-one Pounds; which said Sum of Money should be paid by the Churchwarden or Churchwardens of the Parish of Saint Giles Cripplegate, and by the Treasurer or Treasurers of the Four Rates collected or to be collected in the said Parish of Saint Luke, in such Manner, and at such Times, and under such Penalties and Forfeitures in Default of Payment, as are prescribed in and by the former Acts in case of Nonpayment thereof: Now be it enacted, That the said Trustees under this Act shall and may, and are hereby required, from Time to Time, to pay and apply so much of the Monies to be raised by the said Rates or Assessments from Time to Time appointed to be made and assessed by virtue of this Act, as shall be sufficient to defray Five Eighth Parts of the said yearly Sum of Sixty-one Pounds, so to be paid in lieu of the Statute Labour to be performed by the Inhabitants of the said Parishes respectively, and that the other Three Eighth Parts of the said yearly Sum of Sixty-one Pounds shall be paid and disbursed by the said Parish of Saint Giles Cripplegate.

Recovery and Application of Money.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties, Forfeitures, and Fines, by this Act imposed, for Recovery of which no other Remedy is provided, shall, upon Conviction of the Offender or Offenders, either by his, her, or their own Confession, or by the Oath or Oaths of any credible Witness or Witnesses, and the Informer is hereby rendered a competent Witness, (all which Oaths any Justice of the Peace for the County of Middlesex is hereby impowered to administer), be levied and recovered by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of such Justice (which Warrant such Justice is hereby impowered and required to grant), and the Penalties, Forfeitures, and Fines, when recovered, (after deducting the Charges of such Distress and Sale, and rendering the Overplus, if any, upon Demand, to the Party or Parties whose Goods and Chattels shall be so distrained and sold), shall be paid One Moiety thereof to the Informer, and the other

other Moiety according to Law; and in every Case where a Distress is directed to be taken, and sufficient Distress cannot be found, or such Penalties, Forfeitures, and Fines, shall not be forthwith paid, it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace, and he is hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to cause such Offender or Offenders to be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction of the County or Place wherein the Offender shall be or reside, or where the Offence shall be committed, there to remain, without Bail or Mainprize, for any Time (where no other Time is fixed by this Act) not exceeding Thirty Days, nor less than Seven Days, unless such Penalties, Forfeitures, or Fines, and all reasonable Charges, shall be sooner fully paid and satisfied; and in all Actions, Prosecutions, Informations, Causes, and Proceedings, relating to or concerning the Execution of this Act, any Inhabitant within the said Parish may and shall be admitted to give Evidence, notwithstanding any Concern in Interest by Reason of his, her, or their Liability to any Rate or Assessment charged by virtue of this Act.

Inhabitants admitted to give Evidence.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That all Convictions and Warrants of Distress or Commitment, which shall be made or issued by any Justice or Justices of the Peace, touching the Nonpayment of any Rate or Rates, Fine, Forfeiture, or Penalty, hereby made payable, or any Offence against this Act, shall and may be made and issued according to the Form or Purport in the Schedule hereunto annexed, and the Person or Persons to whom such Warrant or Warrants shall be directed are hereby required to execute the same in any County or Place where the Goods or Party can be found.

Warrants to be issued according to the Form in the Schedule.

L. And be it further enacted, That where 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 any Proceedings relating thereto, nor shall the Party or Parties distraining be deemed a Trespasser or Trespassers ab initio,

Distress not to be deemed unlawful for Want of Form.

on account of any Irregularity which shall be afterwards done by the Party or Parties distraining; but the Person or Persons aggrieved by such Irregularity may recover full Satisfaction for the special Damage only, in an Action on the Case.

Proceedings not to be quashed for Want of Form, or removed by *Certiorari*.

LI. And be it further enacted, That no Rate or Assessment, nor any Proceedings to be had touching the Conviction of any Offender or Offenders against this Act, or any Order made, or any other Matter or Thing to be done or transacted in or relating to the Execution of this Act, shall be vacated or quashed for Want of Form only, or be removed by Certiorari, or by any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster, any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Persons aggrieved may appeal to Trustees, and, if dissatisfied, to the Quarter Sessions.

LII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Rate or Assessment to be made in pursuance of this Act, such Person or Persons may appeal to the said Trustees, at their First or Second Meeting to be holden next after the Cause of Complaint shall have arisen; and every Person or Persons who shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Rates or Assessments to be made in pursuance of this Act, and shall apply for Relief therein at any Meeting of the said Trustees, such Person or Persons shall (if required) declare upon Oath the Extent and real Amount of such Rent or other Consideration, actually and bonâ fide paid or agreed to be paid for the Premises so rated or assessed; and in case the Occupier or Occupiers of such Premises shall happen to be the Owner or Owners thereof, he, she, or they shall in like Manner declare the Sum or Sums of Money he, she, or they really and bonâ fide shall have paid or secured to be paid for his, her, or their Estate or Interest therein; and it shall be also lawful for the said Trustees to examine any other Person or Persons upon Oath as to the Premises, and to make such Order therein as they shall think just; and if such Person or Persons shall not be satisfied with the Determination of the said Trustees upon any such

Appeal,

Appeal, with regard to any such Rate or Assessment as aforesaid, then such Person or Persons may appeal to the Justices of the Peace assembled at their General or Quarter Sessions to be holden in and for the said County of Middlesex, within Three Calendar Months next after the Determination of the said Trustees as aforesaid (such Appellant or Appellants first giving or causing to be given Ten Days Notice in Writing, under his, her, or their Hand, of his, her, or their Intention to bring such Appeal, and of the Cause or Causes thereof, to the Clerk or Clerks, or Treasurer of the said Trustees, and within Four Days next after such Notice entering into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace in and for the said County, whose Name and Place of Abode shall be also contained and given in such Notice of Appeal, and who is hereby impowered to take such Recognizance, with Two sufficient Securities, conditioned to try such Appeal, and abide the Order of, and pay such Costs as shall be awarded by the said Justices), and the Matter of such Appeal shall be heard and determined by the said Justices at the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held in and for the said County, or any Adjournment thereof, or at any Adjournment of the then last General or Quarter Session of the Peace to be held in and for the said County, which shall first happen next after the Expiration of One Calendar Month from the Day of giving such Notice; and the said Justices at such Sessions or Adjournment, upon due Proof of such Notice being given, and of the entering into such Recognizance, shall hear and finally determine the Causes and Matters of such Appeal in a summary Way, and award such Costs for the Appellant or Appellants, or Respondent or Respondents, as they the said Justices shall think proper; and the Determination of such Justices shall be final, binding, and conclusive to and upon all Parties concerned: Provided, that nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed to give Power to such Justice or Justices to quash or annul any general Rate or Assessment imposed by virtue of this Act, for the Sake of relieving any particular Appellant or Appellants, but only to amend

Justices not to quash a general Rate, &c.

such Rate or Assessment so far as shall be necessary in their Judgement, for giving Relief to such Appellant or Appellants.

Limitation of Actions.

LIII. 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 shall be thereof given in Writing to the Clerk or Clerks to the said Trustees, or after sufficient Satisfaction or Tender of Amends hath been made to the Party or Parties aggrieved, or after Three Calendar Months next after the Fact committed for which such Action or Suit shall be so brought; and all such Actions and Suits shall be laid and tried in the County of Middlesex, and not elsewhere, and the Defendant or Defendants in any such Action or Suit may plead 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 it shall appear to have been so done, or that such Action or Suit was brought before Twenty-one Days Notice thereof given as aforesaid, or that sufficient Satisfaction was made or tendered as aforesaid, 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 and in any of the said Cases the Jury shall find for the Defendant or Defendants; and if a Verdict shall be found for such Defendant or Defendants, or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs in any such Action or Suit shall become nonsuited, or shall suffer a Discontinuance of any such Action or Suit, or if upon Demurrer Judgement shall be given for the Defendant or Defendants, then and in any of the Cases aforesaid such Defendant or Defendants shall have Treble Costs, and shall have such Remedy for recovering the same, as any Defendant or Defendants hath or have in other Cases by Law.

General Issue.

Treble Costs.

Publick Act.

LIV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Publick Act; and all Judges and Justices are hereby required to take Notice thereof as such, without the same being specially pleaded.

The SCHEDULE

Referred to by the Act, containing the Form of Proceedings.

Form of Conviction.

Middlesex, to wit. } BE it remembered, That on the Day of in the Year is convicted on the Oath of [*or* on his own Confession] before me One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of *Middlesex*, for that the said on the Day of at the Parish of in the said County, did [*specifying the Offence*] contrary to an Act of Parliament, made in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, *for* [*Insert the Title of this Act.*] Given under my Hand and Seal, the Day and Year first above-written.

Warrant of Distress.

To all Constables and Headboroughs for the County of Middlesex, *and to each and every of them.*

Middlesex, to wit. } WHEREAS hath been duly convicted before me One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said County of *Middlesex*, on the Oath of [*or* on his own Confession] in the Sum of

for that he the ſaid on the Day of at the Pariſh of in the ſaid County, did [*ſpecifying the Offence*] contrary to the Statute made in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, for [*ſtate the Title of the Act*], which Sum of he now refuſes to pay [*or, as the Caſe may be*, hath not paid] as appears to me upon the Oath of Theſe are therefore, in His Majeſty's Name, to will and require you, or either of you, forthwith to levy the ſaid Sum of by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the ſaid (ſuch Goods and Chattels being kept by the Space of Five Days incluſive before the ſame are ſold), rendering to him the Overplus (if any be) the reaſonable Charges of ſuch Diſtreſs, Sale, and Keeping, being firſt deducted; and if no ſufficient Diſtreſs can be had and taken, that then you certify the ſame, to the End ſuch further Proceedings may be had therein as to Law doth appertain. Given under my Hand and Seal, the Day of in the Year of our Lord

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Warrant for Want of Diſtreſs of Goods, or where the Party refuſes or neglects to pay the Penalty.

To all Conſtables and Headboroughs for the County of Middleſex, *and to the Keeper of and his Deputy.*

Middleſex, to wit. } WHEREAS hath been fully convicted before me One of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, on the Oath of [*or* on his own Confeſſion] in the Sum of for [*ſpecifying the Offence*] contrary to the Statute made in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, *for* [*ſpecifying the Title of the Act*] which Sum of

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the ſaid now in my Preſence, refuſes to pay [*or, as the Caſe may be*, hath neglected to pay] as appears to me on the Oath of [*if after a Diſtreſs Warrrant iſſued and returned, add then*, and no ſufficient Diſtreſs can be found whereon to levy the ſaid Sum] as appears to me on the Oath of Theſe are therefore, in His Majeſty's Name, to will and require you the ſaid Conſtables and Headboroughs, and every or any or either of you, to apprehend the ſaid and him ſafely to convey and deliver to the Keeper of *Newgate* [*or*, the Keeper of *as the Juſtice ſhall think proper*] or his Deputy, together with this Warrant; and I do hereby require you the ſaid Keeper and Deputy Keeper to receive the ſaid into your ſaid Gaol, and ſafely keep without Bail or Mainprize, for unleſs the ſaid Sum of and all reaſonable Charges, ſhall be ſooner paid and ſatisfied. Given under my Hand and Seal, the Day of in the Year of our Lord

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Warrant of Diſtreſs for Nonpayment of the Rates.

To

Collector, and to all Conſtables and Headboroughs for the County of Middleſex.

Middleſex, to wit. WHEREAS, in purſuance and by Authority of an Act of Parliament made in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, for [*ſpecifying the Title of the Act*], the under mentioned Perſons were and are truly rated or aſſeſſed, or liable to pay the Rate and Rates duly made for the Purpoſes of the ſaid Act; and whereas the ſaid Perſons have refuſed or neglected to pay the ſeveral Sums of Money at and againſt their Names hereunder reſpectively ſet down, for Money due from them for or towards the Purpoſes in the ſaid

ſaid Act mentioned, and the ſaid ſeveral Sum and Sums of Money are ſtill remaining due in Arrear and unpaid, as appeareth upon Oath to me One of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace in and for the County of *Middleſex*, and the ſaid ſeveral Sums having been demanded and neglected to be paid, and the ſaid ſeveral Perſons having been ſummoned to appear before me to anſwer the Premiſes, as alſo appeareth to me the ſaid Juſtice upon Oath, and they or any of them not having ſhewn any ſufficient Cauſe; theſe are therefore, in His Majeſty's Name, to will and require you, or either of you, forthwith to levy the ſaid ſeveral Sums of Money due from the ſaid Perſons, and hereunder joined to or ſet againſt their Names reſpectively, by Diſtreſs and Sale of their reſpective Goods and Chattels, (ſuch Goods and Chattels being kept by the Space of Five Days incluſive before the ſame are ſold), rendering to them reſpectively the Overplus (if any be) the reaſonable Charges of ſuch Diſtreſs, Sale, and Keeping, being firſt deducted; and if no ſufficient Diſtreſs can be had or taken, that then you do certify the ſame to me, to the End ſuch further Proceedings may be had therein as to the Law doth appertain. Given under my Hand and Seal, the Day of in the Year of our Lord

Perſons Names.	Sums due.
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A. B.	
C. D.	
E. F. the Landlord for Dividend	
G. H. et cetera.	

Warrant for Want of Diſtreſs of Goods.

To

Collector, and to all Conſtables and Headboroughs, and other Peace Officers for the County of Middleſex, *and alſo to the Keeper of* Newgate, *or of*
as the Caſe may be.

Middleſex, to wit. } WHEREAS, in purſuance and by Authority of an Act of Parliament made in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, for [*ſpecifying the Title of the Act*], *A. B.* was and is truly rated and aſſeſſed [*or*, liable to pay the Sum of] for and towards the Rate lately made in purſuance and for the Purpoſes of the ſaid Act: And whereas the ſaid refuſed or neglected to pay the ſaid Sum of to the ſaid Collector, although the ſame was demanded, as appeareth to me, One of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace in and for the ſaid County, upon Oath, whereupon I the ſaid Juſtice granted my Warrant, bearing Date the Day of directed to the ſaid Collector, to levy the ſaid Sum of on the ſaid by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the ſaid rendering to him the Overplus (if any) after the Deduction of Charges: And whereas One of the Conſtables or Headboroughs of the County of *Middleſex*, to whom the ſaid Warrant was ſo delivered to be executed, hath made a Return of the ſaid Warrant, and certified to me, that upon Inquiry and Search it appeared unto him that the ſaid hath not any Goods and Chattels whereof a ſufficient Diſtreſs could be had or taken, to levy the ſaid Sum of the ſaid Sum is ſtill due and unpaid, as appeareth alſo to me upon Oath: Theſe are therefore, in His Majeſty's Name, to will and require you the ſaid Conſtables

ſtables and Headboroughs, and every or any or either of you, to apprehend the ſaid and him ſafely to convey and deliver to the Keeper of *Newgate* [*or*, to the Keeper of *as the Juſtice ſhall think proper*] or his Deputy, together with this Warrant; and I do hereby require you the ſaid Keeper and Deputy Keeper to receive the ſaid into your ſaid Gaol, and ſafely keep, without Bail or Mainprize, for unleſs the ſaid Sum of and all reaſonable Charges, ſhall be ſooner paid and ſatisfied.

Given under my Hand and Seal, the Day of in the Year of our Lord

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Warrant of Commitment, where Impriſonment is the only Puniſhment.

To all Conſtables and Headboroughs, and other Peace Officers, for the County of Middleſex, *and alſo to the Keeper of* Newgate, *or of* as the Caſe may be.

Middleſex, to wit. BE it remembered, That on the Day of in the Year of the Reign of is convicted before me One of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, on the Oath of for that the ſaid on the Day of at the Pariſh of in the ſaid County, did [*ſpecifying the Offence*] contrary to an Act of Parliament made in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, for [*inſert the Title of the Act:*] Theſe are therefore to will and require you the ſaid Conſtables and Headboroughs, and every or any or either of you, ſafely to convey and deliver the ſaid to the Keeper of *Newgate* [*or* the Keeper of

as the Juſtice ſhall think proper] or his Deputy, together with this Warrant: And I do hereby require you the ſaid Keeper and Deputy Keeper to receive the ſaid into your ſaid Gaol, and ſafely keep, without Bail or Mainprize, for

Given under my Hand and Seal, the Day of in the Year of our Lord

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