ANNO TRICESIMO QUARTO

Georgii III. Regis.

CAP. CXI.

An Act to enable the Rector of the Parish of *Saint Stephen*, in the City of *Bristol*, for the Time being, and the Feoffees of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, belonging to the same Parish, to sell and re-convey to the Mayor, Burgesses, and Commonalty of the City of *Bristol*, a certain Plot of Ground, situate within and belonging to the said Parish; and for applying the Monies arising by such Sale, and certain other Monies, to the Purposes of an Act, passed in the Fourteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for making commodious Ways and Passages within the Parish of *Saint Stephen*, in the City of *Bristol*, and for enlarging the Burying Ground belonging to the said Parish.

[11*th June* 1794.]

WHEREAS

Preamble. Act 14 Geo. III.



WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fourteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for making commodious Ways and Passages within the Parish of *Saint Stephen*, in the City of *Bristol*; and for enlarging the Burying Ground belonging to the said Parish: And whereas the Trustees for executing the said Act have made and completed divers commodious Ways and Passages within the said Parish, very useful to the Trade of the said City of *Bristol* in general, as well as to the Inhabitants of the said Parish, and beneficial to the Community at large; and the Burying Ground belonging to the said Parish hath been greatly and sufficiently enlarged: And whereas, in performing the said several Works, the Whole of the Money authorized to be raised by the said Act hath been duly applied and expended; and the said Trustees have unavoidably contracted a large Debt, which cannot be paid off without the further Aid of Parliament: And whereas the Mayor, Burgesses, and Commonalty of the City of *Bristol*, by a certain Indenture under their Common Seal, bearing Date on or about the Fourteenth Day of *April* in the Year of our Lord One thousand six hundred and seventy-seven, granted and conveyed in Fee to the Feoffees of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, belonging to the said Parish, a Plot of void Ground, situate in a Place then called *The Marsh*, within the said Parish, to be used and employed by the Parishioners of the said Parish as a Church Yard (the same having theretofore been duly consecrated) for the burying and interring of the Bodies of the Dead of the said Parish; and the same hath been so used and employed; but, being situate near the publick Quays within the said City, might be converted to Purposes very beneficial to the Trade of the City; and it is expedient that the same should be re-conveyed to the said Mayor, Burgesses, and Commonalty, who are willing and desirous to pay to the said Trustees a valuable Consideration for the same; and also to contribute largely towards increasing the Fund necessary to extricate the said Trustees out of their present Difficulties, and to discharge Incumbrances: But the same cannot be carried into Effect without the Aid and Authority of Parliament: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That, from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Reverend *Edward Colston Grevile* Clerk, the now Rector of the said Parish, and of the Parish Church of *Saint Stephen*, in the said City of *Bristol*, and to and for his Successors, Rectors of the said Parish and Parish Church for the Time being, together with the major Part of the surviving Feoffees of all and singular the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, belonging to the said Parish, and they respectively are hereby required, on Payment by the said Mayor, Burgesses, and Commonalty, or their Successors, to such Person or Persons as the Trustees authorized by the said recited Act, or any Five or more of them, shall direct, of the Sum of One thousand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, (being a valuable and the full Consideration for the said Plot of Ground), and also of the further Sum of Five hundred Pounds of like lawful Money as the free Gift of the said Mayor, Burgesses, and Commonalty, to the said Trustees for the Purposes of the said recited

The Feoffees of the Parish Land to re-convey the Church Yard to the Corporation, on their paying the Trustees of the former Act a certain Sum.

Act, to re-convey, by Indentures of Leaſe and Releaſe, to the ſaid Mayor, Burgeſſes, and Commonalty, their Succeſſors and Aſſigns, for ever, all that the ſaid Plot of Ground ſo granted and conveyed in Fee by the ſaid Indenture of the Fourteenth Day of *April* One thouſand ſix hundred and ſeventy-ſeven, to the then Feoffees of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, belonging to the ſaid Pariſh as aforeſaid, with all and ſingular the Appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywiſe appertaining.

Upon Payment of the Money, the Right to the Premiſes to veſt in the Corporation.

II. And be it further enacted, That immediately upon Payment of the ſaid ſeveral Sums of One thouſand Pounds and Five hundred Pounds, and the Execution, in the Preſence of any Two credible Witneſſes, of the ſaid Indentures of Leaſe and Releaſe hereby directed, the ſaid Plot of Ground, with its Appurtenances, ſhall veſt in the ſaid Mayor, Burgeſſes, and Commonalty, their Succeſſors and Aſſigns, for ever, and they ſhall be deemed in Law to be in the actual Seiſin and Poſſeſſion thereof, and the ſame ſhall for ever bar the ſaid Rector and his Succeſſors, and the ſaid Feoffees, their Heirs and Aſſigns, and every Perſon claiming under them, or any of them, to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever; and the ſaid Mayor, Burgeſſes, and Commonalty, their Succeſſors and Aſſigns, ſhall and lawfully may, from Time to Time, and at all Times for ever hereafter, convert the ſaid Plot of Ground, with its Appurtenances, and every Part of the ſame, to ſuch Purpoſe or Purpoſes as they ſhall think proper.

But Conveyance not to be made till Coffins are removed.

III. Provided nevertheleſs, and be it further enacted, That it ſhall not be lawful for the ſaid Rector and Feoffees, or the major Part of them, to re-convey the ſaid Plot of Ground, with its Appurtenances, to the ſaid Mayor, Burgeſſes, and Commonalty, until the ſaid Rector and Feoffees, or the major Part of them, or the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, ſhall have removed from and out of the ſaid Plot of Ground all or the greater Part of the Coffins, Bodies, and Bones, heretofore buried and interred therein, or ſuch of them as ſhall remain entire and diſtinguiſhable, and ſhall then carry the ſame to the Burying Ground belonging to the ſaid Pariſh, or to ſome other Pariſh Burying Ground within the ſaid City of *Briſtol*, and therein bury and inter them; nor until the ſaid Rector and Feoffees, or the major Part of them, or the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, ſhall in like Manner have removed from and out of the ſaid Plot of Ground all the Grave Stones and Monuments heretofore placed therein, and ſhall carry the ſame to the ſaid Burying Ground, or to ſome other Burying Ground as aforeſaid, and place them in ſome Part thereof; and all theſe Things the ſaid Rector and Feoffees, or the major Part of them, or the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, ſhall be allowed and permitted to do and perform, without any Faculty or Licence from the Eccleſiaſtical Court.

Application of the Money.

IV. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, to apply the ſaid ſeveral Sums of One thouſand Pounds and Five hundred Pounds, and alſo all Sum and Sums of Money that ſhall hereafter be raiſed by the Sale of any Annuity or Annuities for the Life or Lives of any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall hereafter be nominated on the Death of any of the preſent Annuitants, for and towards the Purpoſes of the ſaid recited Act, and which

Annuity or Annuities the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, are hereby empowered from Time to Time to grant, until all the Purpoſes of the ſaid former Act ſhall be effected: Provided nevertheleſs, that all the Annuities already granted, and hereafter to be granted, ſhall not exceed the Sum of Two hundred and fifty Pounds in any One Year.

Annuities to be charged on the Rates.

V. And be it further enacted, That all the ſaid ſaid Annuities ſo to be ſold, and alſo the Charges and Expences of applying for and obtaining this preſent Act, ſhall be and are hereby declared to be charged and chargeable upon the Rates or Aſſeſſments mentioned in the ſaid recited Act, and ſhall be paid and payable from Time to Time out of the Monies ariſing by the ſame, in like Manner as the ſeveral Annuities and other Monies mentioned in that Act are charged and made payable; and that the ſame Annuities ſhall be entitled to the like Exemptions, and be ſubject to the like Proviſions and Regulations, in every Reſpect, as the Annuities mentioned in the ſaid former Act are entitled and ſubject to.

Publick Act.

VI. And be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall be deemed and taken as a Publick Act; and all Judges, Juſtices, and other Perſons, are to take Notice thereof as ſuch, in all Courts and Places whatſoever, without ſpecially pleading the ſame.

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