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An Act for widening and improving the Entrance into the City of *London* near *Temple Bar*; for making a more commodious Street, or Paſſage, at *Snow Hill*; and for raiſing, on the Credit of the Orphans Fund, a Sum of Money for thoſe Purpoſes.

[26th *June* 1795.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Entrance into the City of *London*, and to the Weſtward of *Temple Bar*, in the Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes*, in the County of *Middleſex*, being the principal Avenue for Carriages from *Weſtminſter* into the ſaid City: And alſo the Street called *Snow Hill*, in the Pariſh of *Saint Sepulchre*, in the ſaid City or the Liberties thereof, being the principal Avenue for Carriages into, or through, the ſaid City from the New Squares and Buildings on the North-weſt thereof; are too narrow and incommodious for the paſſing and repaſſing, as well of Foot Paſſengers as of Coaches, Carts, and other Carriages, to the Prejudice and Inconvenience of the Owners and Inhabitants of Houſes in and near the ſame, to the great Interruption of Buſineſs, and to the endangering of the Lives of many of His Majeſty's Subjects: And whereas ſuch Inconveniences might be removed, if the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the ſaid City, in Common Council aſſembled, were enabled to widen and improve the Streets or Paſſages at and to the Weſtward of *Temple Bar* aforeſaid, and from the Bottom of *Holborn Hill* to the Eaſt End of *Snow Hill* aforeſaid, and for thoſe Purpoſes (if neceſſary or expedient) to take down, and rebuild in a different Poſition, the Pariſh Church of *Saint Clement Danes*, and alſo the Alms Houſes at the Eaſt End thereof, and the Veſtry Room and Court Houſe over the ſaid Alms Houſes, in the County aforeſaid, and to purchaſe ſuch Houſes, Buildings, and Ground, as may be neceſſary for thoſe Purpoſes; but ſuch Improvements cannot be effected without the Aid and Authority of Parliament: Therefore, upon the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the City of *London*, in Common Council aſſembled, May it 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 the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the City of *London*, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall be, and they are hereby empowered to deſign, lay out, open, and make, a ſpacious and convenient Street, Way, or Paſſage, from *Temple Bar* aforeſaid, to the Eaſt End, and along the North Side, of the Pariſh Church of *Saint Clement Danes* aforeſaid, home to the Eaſt Ends of *Wych Street* and *Holywell Street*, by erecting and building, or cauſing to be erected and built, Dwelling Houſes or other Buildings, ſo as to form a ſtraight Line from the North End of *Temple Bar* aforeſaid to the North Eaſt Corner of *Wych Street* aforeſaid, and by taking down all the Houſes and Buildings (except the ſaid Pariſh Church of *Saint Clement Danes*, but which may nevertheleſs be taken down and rebuilt as hereinafter mentioned), between ſuch ſtraight Line and the South Side of the *Strand*, and to leave the Ground now covered therewith open, for the Purpoſe of making a large and commodious Street or Paſſage for the Accommodation of the Publick; and alſo to deſign, lay out, open, and make a commodious Street, Way, or Paſſage, from the Eaſt End of *Snow Hill* aforeſaid to the Bottom of *Holborn Hill* aforeſaid; and to erect and build, or cauſe to be erected and built, ſuch Dwelling Houſes, and other Buildings, as they ſhall think proper, upon ſuch Part of the Ground to be purchaſed by virtue and under the Authority of this Act, at or near *Snow Hill* aforeſaid, or ſuch Part or Parts thereof as ſhall not be neceſſary for the Street, Way, or Paſſage, intended to be made there as aforeſaid.

Common Council empowered to widen the Paſſage at *Temple Bar*, and to make a commodious Street at *Snow Hill*; and to erect Dwelling Houſes and other Buildings upon the Ground to be purchaſed;

II. And be it further enacted, That if the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall think it neceſſary or expedient, for the Purpoſe of widening and improving the Street or Paſſage on the South Side of the ſaid Pariſh Church of *Saint Clement Danes*, to take down the ſaid Pariſh Church and rebuild it in a different Poſition, then, and in ſuch Caſe, the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall be, and they are hereby enabled to take down the ſaid Pariſh Church of *Saint Clement Danes*: And in caſe the ſaid Pariſh Church ſhould be taken down by the Authority of this Act, the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, are hereby directed and required to erect, or cauſe to be erected, another Church, in a good and workmanlike Manner, of the ſame Style, Form, and Dimenſions, as the preſent Pariſh Church is of, with the preſent Materials ſo far as they are found and good, and with new Materials of the like Qualities and Dimenſions to ſupply the Deficiencies; and to build, or cauſe to be built, under the ſaid new Church, the like Number of Vaults for the Burial of the Dead, and of as large Dimenſions at leaſt as the Vaults which are under the preſent Pariſh Church, and to place the ſaid new Church as near as conveniently can be to the Site whereon the ſaid Pariſh Church now ſtands, and to place and fix, in a good and workmanlike Manner, Galleries and Pews in the ſaid new Church, of the ſame Form, Structure, and Dimenſions, and of as good Materials in every Reſpect, as the Galleries and Pews which are now placed and fixed in the preſent Pariſh Church; and alſo to hang, put up, and fix, in the like good and workmanlike Manner, in the ſaid new Church, the Bells, the Organ, Organ Caſe, and all other the Fixtures, Furniture, and Appurtenances, of and belonging to the preſent Pariſh Church, in like Situations, Manner, and Form, as the ſame

Alſo to take down and rebuild the Church of *St. Clement Danes*.

are now fixed and placed respectively therein; and also to provide, make, and fix, a sufficient Iron Railing at a convenient Distance from and round the said new Church to be built as aforesaid, with a Foot-way of a sufficient Width on the Outside of the Railing next the Street or Carriage-way: Provided always, that if the said Parish Church shall be taken down under the Authority of this Act, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall not be subject or liable to rebuild the Portico and Steps on the South Side of the said Church: Provided further, that, if the said Parish Church shall be taken down as aforesaid, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, are hereby directed and required to begin to take down the same within the Space of Five Years from and after the passing of this Act, and to complete and finish the new Church to be built as aforesaid, so that it may be in a fit and proper Condition for the Celebration of Divine Service, within the Space of Four Years, to be computed from the Day on which the Workmen employed by the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall begin to take down any Part of the present Parish Church.

Except the Portico and Steps on the South Side thereof.

The Church to be rebuilt in Four Years after it is begun to be taken down.

III. And be it further enacted, That, in taking down the said Church, and removing the Materials thereof, the Graves shall be as little disturbed, and as little Damage shall be done to the Grave Stones, Monuments, and Monumental Inscriptions, in and about the said Church, as reasonably may be; and that such Monuments and Monumental Inscriptions as shall be necessarily removed on account thereof shall be fixed, at the Expence of the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the said City of *London*, in the new Church or Church Yard as the same are respectively now placed, and in such Part or Parts of the said new Church or Church Yard as shall be most fit; and that there shall be inclosed, within a new Church Yard to be made pursuant to this Act, as nearly as may be, the same Quantity of Ground at least, fit and convenient for the Burial of the Dead as the old Church Yard contains: Provided always, that, during such Time as the said New Church Yard or Vaults shall be rebuilding, altering, or repairing, as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Relations and Friends of any Person or Persons whose Corpse or Corpses shall have been interred or deposited in the present Church Yard, or in the present Church, or Vaults under the same, with the Consent of the Rector and Churchwardens of the said Parish for the Time being, or the major Part of them, to remove such Corpse or Corpses to any other Place or Places set apart for the Burial of the Dead; and, if they shall think fit, to bring back the same, and deposit them in the said new Church Yard, or in the said new Church, or in the Vaults under the same, as soon as the said Church Yard, Church, and Vaults, shall have been built as aforesaid, and made fit for the Burial of the Dead, any Law, Ecclesiastical Canon, or Usage, to the contrary thereof notwithstanding; and such Corpses as shall not be removed as aforesaid from the Vaults under the present Church shall, at the Expence of the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, out of the Fund to be raised by virtue of this Act, and as soon as conveniently may be after the said new Vaults shall have been built as aforesaid, and made fit for the Burial of the Dead, be taken out of the old Vaults and placed in the said new Vaults, except the Bodies in such Vaults as shall be finally closed up.

For preserving the Graves, Grave Stones, and Monuments, in *Saint Clements* Church and Church Yard.

IV. And be it further enacted, That, during the Time of taking down the said Church of *Saint Clement Danes*, and until the said new Church

Directing that the Church Ser-

vices shall (during the rebuilding of *Saint Clements* Church) be performed in *Lyons Inn Hall*; and that the Hall shall also be used as a Vestry Room and Court House for the Duchy of *Lancaster*.

shall have been built and made fit and opened for the Celebration of Divine Service, it shall and may be lawful for the Rector of the said Parish for the Time being, his Curate, or some Minister duly authorized in that Behalf, and they are hereby required, in the Morning and Evening of every Lord's Day commonly called *Sunday*, and in the Morning and Evening of *Christmas Day* and *Good Friday*, to read in *Lyon's Inn Hall*, or any other Hall or Place within the said Parish that shall be approved of by the Lord Bishop of *London*, (his Consent and the Consent of the Owners of such Hall or Place being first obtained), the Prayers prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer and Publick Liturgy of the Church of *England*; and, after reading of the Prayers as aforesaid, to preach a Sermon in the said Hall, or other Place so to be appointed, in the Morning and Evening of the several Days before mentioned; and also to read Prayers in the said Hall, or other Place, in the Morning on every *Wednesday* and *Friday* in the Week; and the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, are hereby required to give Notice, in Writing, to the said Rector and Churchwardens for the Time being, Two Calendar Months at least before they begin to take down any Part of the said Parish Church; and, before the Expiration of the said Two Calendar Months, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, are hereby directed and required, out of the Fund to be raised by virtue of this Act, to prepare, fit up, and put the said Hall, or other Place, into such a State and Condition as is proper and convenient for receiving such of the Inhabitants of the said Parish as shall repair thereto for the hearing of Divine Service as is herein-before directed to be performed: And it is hereby declared, that, until the said new Church shall be made fit and convenient, and also opened for the Celebration of Divine Service, the said Rector for the Time being, his Curate, or some Minister duly authorized in that Behalf, shall continue, and they are hereby required to continue, to perform Divine Service as is herein-before directed in the said Hall, or other Place so to be appointed, according to the Form and Manner set forth in the said Book of Common Prayer; and, in the said Hall or Place, from Time to Time, to publish the Banns of Marriage, to solemnize Marriages, to administer the publick Baptism of Children, or of Persons of riper Years, to church Women, to read the Service for the Burial of the Dead, and to perform and administer, in the said Hall or other Place, all and any other Duties, Services, and Offices, prescribed by the said Book of Common Prayer; and it is hereby also declared, that all Banns of Marriage so published, and all Marriages so solemnized, shall be as good and valid, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as if the same had been published or solemnized in the present Church of *Saint Clement Danes*, any Law, Statute, or Usage, to the contrary thereof notwithstanding; and that all Fees and Perquisites, due and payable for or on account of such Publication of the Banns of Marriage, Solemnization of Marriages, administering of Baptism, churching of Women, burying the Dead, or for performing any other Office prescribed by the said Book of Common Prayer, shall belong to and be paid to the Rector, Parish Clerk, Sexton, and other Officers belonging to the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes*, in such and the same Manner and Proportions, to all Intents and Purposes, as if such Banns of Marriage, Marriages, Baptisms, Churchings, Burials, and any other Service or Office prescribed by the said Book of Common Prayer, had been published, solemnized, administered, and performed, in the said Parish Church of *Saint Clement Danes*; and that the Compensation to be paid

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for the Uſe of ſuch Hall or other Place ſhall, during and until ſuch Time as the ſaid Church ſhall be fit and complete for the Performance of Divine Service, and all other Rites and Ceremonies, be borne and paid by the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, out of the ſaid Fund to be raiſed by virtue of this Act; and that ſuch Hall or other Place, ſo to be approved of as aforeſaid, may be alſo uſed for the holding of Veſtries and all other Parochial or other Purpoſes directed by any Statute or Law now in being, as alſo for holding the Courts of the Duchy of *Lancaſter*; and the ſame ſhall be, and is hereby declared to be, within the ſaid Duchy, for all and every the Purpoſes that the Rooms now uſed for ſuch Purpoſes are uſed, and ſhall have the ſame Force and Effect, any Law, Statute, or Uſage, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

For re-building the Veſtry Room and Alms Houſes and Duchy of *Lancaſter* Court Room.

V. And whereas, for carrying the Purpoſes of this Act into Execution, it may be neceſſary to take down, at the Eaſt End of *Saint Clement's* Church Yard, the Veſtry Rooms and Alms Houſes of and belonging to the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes*, and which Veſtry Rooms are alſo uſed as Court Rooms by the Duchy of *Lancaſter*; and the ſame, if ſo taken down, ought to be rebuilt in ſome other convenient Part of the ſaid Pariſh; be it therefore enacted, That in caſe the ſaid Buildings called and uſed as the now Veſtry Rooms of the ſaid Pariſh, and Alms Houſes, be pulled down for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, that then the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall and will, out of the Monies to be received by virtue of this Act, upon ſome Part of the Ground which ſhall become veſted in them by virtue of this Act, or to be provided for the Purpoſe, as ſhall and may be moſt fit and convenient, and as near as conveniently may be to the ſaid Pariſh Church, erect, build, complete, and finiſh, a new and ſufficient Building or Buildings, of not leſs Dimenſions than the preſent Buildings, to be for ever then after uſed as Veſtry Rooms and Alms Houſes for the ſaid Pariſh, and for Court Rooms for the ſaid Duchy of *Lancaſter*, in ſuch and the like Sort and Manner as the now Veſtry Rooms and Alms Houſes of the ſaid Pariſh are and have been uſed; and to be thereafter ſuſtained and kept in Repair by the ſaid Pariſh and Duchy in like Manner as the ſaid Veſtry Rooms and Alms Houſes now are, ſo that the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall not thereafter be liable or chargeable thereto.

Alterations may be made in the Church and other Buildings by mutual Conſent.

VI. And be it further enacted, That any ſuch Alterations may be made, in the building the ſaid Pariſh Church, Veſtry, and Court Rooms, and other publick Buildings, as ſhall be agreed upon by and between the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, and the Inhabitants of the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes*, in Veſtry aſſembled; provided that the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, be not put to any additional Expence in or by ſuch Alterations.

Declaring that the Court Rooms to be built for the Duchy of *Lancaſter* ſhall be deemed to be within the Duchy.

VII. And be it further enacted, That if the ſaid Buildings ſhall be erected in any Part of the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes* that ſhall not be within the ſaid Duchy of *Lancaſter*, ſuch Buildings, and the Rooms therein to be uſed as Court Rooms, ſhall be, and the ſame are hereby declared to be, within the ſaid Duchy, for all and every the Uſes and Purpoſes that the Rooms now uſed for ſuch Purpoſes are; and that all Acts done therein ſhall have and be of the ſame Force and

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Effect as if done and tranſacted within the ſaid Duchy; any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

New Streets may be raiſed or lowered.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful, to and for the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to raiſe or lower the Ground of ſuch intended Streets, Ways, or Paſſages, ſo to be made as aforeſaid, or any Part thereof, as they ſhall judge neceſſary.

Directing how the Pavements ſhall be laid and made.

IX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in the deſigning, laying out, opening, and making, ſuch Streets, Ways, or Paſſages, and in the erecting ſuch Dwelling Houſes and other Buildings, the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall and do, out of the Monies to be received by virtue of this Act, in a ſubſtantial and workmanlike Manner, fill in all and every the Vaults, Cellars, and open Places, over which it may be neceſſary to new pave, with good, ſound, hard Brick Rubbiſh, to be well rammed down every Three or Four Inches thick, to prevent the Ground from giving way; and do and ſhall make a large, handſome, and convenient Way or Paſſage on or over the Ground to be laid into the Streets or Paſſages by virtue hereof; and, out of ſuch Monies ſo to be received, well and effectually pave over all the Ground of the ſaid new intended Streets, Ways, and Paſſages, with the Materials of the preſent Pavement as far as they will extend, and with a ſufficient Quantity of new Materials of like Quality and Dimenſions to ſupply the Deficiency; and ſhall and will, in like Manner, out of ſuch Monies ſo to be received, relay and repair all and every Part of the Streets, Ways, and Paſſages, which they ſhall diſturb or alter in carrying the Purpoſes of this Act into Execution: Provided alſo, that nothing herein contained ſhall extend, or be conſtrued to extend, to charge the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, with repairing or making good ſuch Pavements or Alterations in future; but that, from and after the ſame ſhall be ſo paved, relaid, and repaired as aforeſaid, the ſame ſhall for ever after be kept in Repair by and at the Expence of the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes*.

For ſecuring the Payment of 750*l.* and Intereſt charged upon the Paving Rates in *Butcher Row*, &c.

X. And whereas there is due to *William Seager* the Sum of Seven hundred and fifty Pounds, with Intereſt thereon, after the Rate of Four Pounds Ten Shillings *per Centum per Annum*, ſecured upon, and payable out of, the additional Paving Rates in *Butcher Row*, and alſo that Part of *Wych Street* which leads from the End of the ſaid *Butcher Row* to *Holywell Street*, which ought to be paid off or ſecured; be it therefore further enacted, That the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall, until the re-building of ſuch Dwelling Houſes, or other Buildings, and until the ſame ſhall be occupied, be ſubject and liable to the Payment to the ſaid *William Seager* of his ſaid Debt of Seven hundred and fifty Pounds; and ſhall pay unto the ſaid *William Seager*, his Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns, Intereſt at and after the Rate of Four Pounds Ten Shillings for each One hundred Pounds of the ſaid Sum of Seven hundred and fifty Pounds, out of the Monies to be raiſed in purſuance of the Authority given to the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, by this Act; and that when ſuch Dwelling Houſes, or other Buildings, to be erected in the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes*, ſhall be ſo completed in purſuance

ſuance of this Act, and become occupied, the ſame ſhall be charged and liable to the Debt and Intereſt of the ſaid *William Seager*, and all other Paving Rates to be made and payable, in ſuch and the like Manner as the ſaid Places called *The Butcher Row*, and that Part of *Wych Street* which leads from the End of the ſaid *Butcher Row* to *Holywell Street*, have at any Time heretofore been aſſeſſed and paid; and from thenceforth the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, and the Fund to be raiſed under and by virtue of this Act, ſhall be abſolutely diſcharged from all Payments and Charges for or on account or in reſpect of the ſaid Debt and Intereſt.

Sewers and Drains to be arched over or filled up.

XI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, and they are hereby authoriſed and empowered, to cauſe all Sewers and Drains, which ſhall lie and be in or near ſuch intended Streets, Ways, or Paſſages, or either of them, or any Part thereof, to be arched over, or filled up, as ſhall appear neceſſary for completing the ſaid intended Improvements, ſo as the ſame ſhall not in anywiſe obſtruct, injure, or prejudice, any Publick Sewer or Drain whatſoever, or any private Drain, without making another Drain or Sewer in lieu thereof, equally ſerviceable and convenient to the Individual or Neighbourhood.

Drains or Sewers to be made, &c.

XII. Provided always, That, at the Time of filling up any Sewer or Drain as aforeſaid, the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall make, erect, and build, other good and ſufficient Sewers and Drains, of convenient Depth and Width; and when the ſame ſhall be ſo made and completed, the ſaid reſpective Sewers and Drains ſhall be under the Juriſdiction, Care, Management, and Direction, of the Commiſſioners appointed, or to be appointed, under or by virtue of any Act or Acts of Parliament, for the Diſtrict or Diſtricts wherein ſuch Sewers or Drains reſpectively ſhall be ſituate.

Common Council empowered to build on, ſtop up, or incloſe Parts of Streets, and alſo Courts, Alleys, &c.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, to cauſe to be built upon, ſtopped up, or incloſed, any Part or Parts of the preſent Streets, and any of the preſent Courts, Alleys, Ways, or Paſſages, and any void Ground adjoining to the ſaid intended Streets, and which now are, or heretofore were, uſed as Ways or Paſſages, and any Part or Parts thereof which ſhall appear to the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, proper to be built upon, ſtopped up, or incloſed, for the Purpoſes of carrying this Act into Execution; and to ſell and diſpoſe of, or let, the Ground and Soil thereof to any Perſon or Perſons, Bodies Politick, Corporate, or Collegiate, for ſuch Uſes as they ſhall think proper, ſo as the Money ariſing by ſuch Sale or Sales, or Letting, be applied to the Purpoſes of this Act; provided that the Ways or Paſſages on the North Side of *Butcher Row* be not leſſened in Width at the South Ends thereof.

Common Council empowered to purchaſe Houſes, Land, &c. for the Purpoſes aforeſaid.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, and they are hereby empowered, to treat and agree with the Owners and Occupiers thereof, and other Perſons intereſted therein, for the Purchaſe of all the Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, not exceeding One hundred Feet in Depth from the Fronts

Fronts thereof reſpectively, on the North Side of the *Strand*, *Butcher Row*, and the Street or Way called or known by the Name of *The Back of Saint Clement's*, from the South Weſt Corner of *Shire Lane*, to the Eaſt End of *Wych Street* aforeſaid; and alſo the Three Iſlands of Houſes and Buildings between the ſame and the South Side of the *Strand*, or ſo many or ſuch Part or Parts of ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as they ſhall think neceſſary to be purchaſed, removed, or pulled down, for effecting the ſaid Improvements at, and to the Weſtward of, *Temple Bar* aforeſaid; and alſo to treat and agree with the Owners and Occupiers thereof, and other Perſons intereſted therein, for the Purchaſe of all ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, as they ſhall think neceſſary to be purchaſed, removed, or pulled down, for effecting the ſaid Improvements at or near *Snow Hill*; and, after Payment of the Sum or Sums of Money which ſhall be agreed upon or aſcertained for ſuch Purchaſe or Purchaſes, the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, are hereby authoriſed to appoint their Agents or Workmen to pull down ſuch Houſes and Buildings, and remove, ſell, or diſpoſe of the Materials thereof, and to lay out ſuch Lands reſpectively into ſuch intended Streets, Ways, or Paſſages, as aforeſaid, or otherwiſe apply and diſpoſe thereof for the Purpoſes of this Act.

For building the Veſtry Rooms, &c. at the Weſt End of the Church Yard.

XV. And be it further enacted, That, if the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhould think proper to build ſuch new Veſtry Rooms, Alms Houſes, and Court Rooms, or any or either of them, as before mentioned, at the Weſt End of *Saint Clements* Church Yard aforeſaid, then, and in ſuch Caſe, the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall alſo be, and they are hereby empowered to treat and agree with the Owners and Occupiers thereof, and other Perſons intereſted therein, for the Purchaſe of all the Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, on the Weſt End of the ſaid Church Yard, between the *Strand* and *Holywell Street* aforeſaid, and on the North Side of the *Strand* from the South-weſt Corner of the ſaid Church Yard, and on the South Side of *Holywell Street*, from the North-weſt Corner of the ſaid Church Yard, in the ſeveral Occupations of Miſs *Curtis*, Maſter *Hayes*, Maſter *Stilfox*, Maſter *Lambert*, Maſter *Fikts*, Miſs *Wickens*, and Maſter *Hobſon*; or ſuch or ſo many of the ſame Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, as they the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall deem neceſſary or expedient to be purchaſed; and, after Payment of the Sum or Sums of Money which ſhall be agreed on or aſcertained for ſuch Purchaſe or Purchaſes, the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, are hereby authorized to appoint their Agents or Workmen to pull down ſuch Houſes and Buildings, and remove, ſell, or diſpoſe of, the Materials thereof; and, upon the Ground ſo to be purchaſed, or a ſufficient Part thereof, to build and finiſh one or more ſufficient Building or Buildings, for ſuch new Veſtry Rooms, Alms Houſes, and Court Rooms, or any or either of them, as aforeſaid, to be uſed, ſuſtained, and kept in Repair, in ſuch Manner as is herein before mentioned and directed concerning the ſame; and to build, or cauſe to be built, upon ſuch Part of the ſame Ground which ſhall be ſo purchaſed as ſhall not be wanted for the Purpoſes laſt herein-before mentioned, ſuch other Houſes or Buildings as they ſhall think fit.

XVI. Pro-

No Perſon compellable to ſell Part of his Premiſes if willing to ſell the Whole.

XVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Perſon or Perſons, Bodies Politick, Corporate, or Collegiate, ſhall be applied to, by or on Behalf of the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, to treat for, ſell, diſpoſe of, or convey, for any of the Purpoſes of this Act, any Part or Parts of any Houſe, Building, Land, Tenement, or Hereditament, in the actual Occupation of one Perſon, or of ſeveral Perſons jointly, and ſhall, by Notice in Writing, to be left at the Comptroller's Office in the *Guildhall* of the ſaid City, within Thirty Days next after ſuch Application, ſignify his, her, or their Inclination or Deſire to treat for, ſell, diſpoſe of, and convey, the Whole of ſuch Houſe, Building, Land, Tenement, or Hereditament, ſome Part whereof ſhall be deemed neceſſary to be purchaſed for the Purpoſes of this Act; and it ſhall happen that the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall not think proper, or be willing, to purchaſe the Whole of ſuch Houſe, Building, Land, Tenement, or Hereditament, then, and in every ſuch Caſe, nothing in this Act contained ſhall extend, or be conſtrued to extend, to compel the ſeveral Perſons intereſted therein, to treat for, ſell, diſpoſe of, or convey Part only, or leſs than the Whole, of ſuch Houſe, Building, Land, Tenement, or Hereditament; any Thing herein before contained to the contrary thereof in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

Power of purchaſing limited to Seven Years.

XVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That, if the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall not, within the Space of Seven Years next after paſſing this Act, agree for, or cauſe to be valued as herein-after mentioned, and purchaſe the Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, which they are hereby empowered to purchaſe as aforeſaid; then, and from thenceforth, the Powers to them hereby granted for ſuch Purpoſe only ſhall ceaſe, determine, and be utterly void and of no Effect; any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Bodies Politick, &c. Truſtees, and other Perſons, empowered to ſell and convey Lands, &c.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for all Bodies Politick, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, Truſtees and Feoffees in Truſt for charitable or other Uſes, and all other Truſtees and Feoffees in Truſt whatſoever, Guardians and Committees for Lunaticks and Idiots, Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Guardians whatſoever, and not only for or on Behalf of themſelves, their Heirs and Succeſſors, but alſo for and on Behalf of their *Ceſtuique* Truſts, whether Infants or Iſſue unborn, Lunaticks, Idiots, Femes Covert, or other Perſons whomſoever; and to and for all Femes Covert who are or ſhall be ſeiſed in their own Right; and to and for all and every Perſon and Perſons whomſoever, who are or ſhall be ſeiſed or poſſeſſed of, or intereſted in, any Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which, by the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall be thought neceſſary to be purchaſed for any of the Purpoſes of this Act, to ſell; and convey, aſſign, or ſurrender, all or any ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any of them, or any Part or Parcel thereof, and all their reſpective Intereſts therein, of what Nature or Kind ſoever, to the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London*, or any Perſon or Perſons in Truſt for them; and that all Contracts, Agreements, Bargains, Sales, Conveyances, Aſſignments, Surrenders, and Aſſurances, which ſhall be made by ſuch Perſons as aforeſaid, ſhall be good and valid in the Law, to all Intents and

and Purpoſes, not only to convey the Eſtate and Intereſt of the Perſon and Perſons conveying, but alſo to convey all Right, Eſtate, Intereſt, Uſe, Truſt, Property, Claim, and Demand whatſoever, of their ſeveral and reſpective *Ceſtuique* Truſts, whether Infants or Iſſue unborn, Lunaticks, Idiots, Femes Covert, or other Perſons whomſoever, and all claiming, or to claim, by, from, or under them, any Law, Statute, Uſage, or any other Matter or Thing whatſoever, to the contrary thereof, in anywiſe notwithſtanding: And that all ſuch Perſons ſo conveying as aforeſaid, or making ſuch Aſſurances as aforeſaid, ſhall be, and are hereby indemnified for what they ſhall do by virtue or in purſuance of this Act, notwithſtanding any Omiſſion, or Miſtake of Matter or Form whatſoever: And, if it ſhall happen that any Bodies Politick, Corporate, or Collegiate, or any other Perſon or Perſons, ſeiſed or poſſeſſed of, or intereſted in, any ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments as aforeſaid, ſhall refuſe to treat or agree, or by Reaſon of Diſability cannot agree with the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, or with any Perſon or Perſons authoriſed by them, for the Sale and Conveyance of their reſpective Eſtates and Intereſts therein, or ſhall not produce and evince a clear Title to the Premiſes they are in Poſſeſſion of, or to the Intereſt they claim therein, to the Satisfaction of the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, or of the Perſon or Perſons ſo authoriſed by them; then and in every ſuch Caſe it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Court of Mayor and Aldermen of the ſaid City, to be holden in the outer Chamber of the *Guildhall* of the ſaid City according to the Cuſtom of the ſaid City, and the ſaid Court are hereby empowered and authoriſed, to iſſue a Warrant or Warrants Precept or Precepts, directed to the Sheriffs of the City of *London*, or to the Sheriff of the County of *Middleſex*, or High Bailiff of *Weſtminſter*, as the Caſe ſhall require, who are, and each of them is, hereby authoriſed, directed, and required, accordingly, to impannel, ſummon, and return, a competent Number of ſubſtantial and diſintereſted Perſons qualified to ſerve on Juries, not leſs than Forty-eight nor more than Seventy-two; and out of ſuch Perſons ſo to be impannelled, ſummoned, and returned, a Jury of Twelve Men ſhall be drawn, by ſome Perſon to be by the ſaid Court appointed, in ſuch Manner as Juries for the Trial of Iſſues joined in His Majeſty's Courts at *Weſtminſter* are, by an Act made in the Third Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for the better Regulation of Juries*, directed to be drawn; which Perſons, ſo to be impannelled, ſummoned, and returned, as aforeſaid, are hereby required to come and appear before the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, if the Premiſes in Diſpute lie in the ſaid City of *London*, at ſuch Time and Place as in ſuch Warrant or Warrants, Precept or Precepts, ſhall be directed and appointed; and, if the Premiſes lie in the County of *Middleſex*, to come and appear before the Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, at ſome Quarter or General Seſſions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the ſaid County, or ſome Adjournment thereof, as in ſuch Warrant or Warrants, Precept or Precepts, ſhall be directed and appointed; and if the Premiſes lie in the Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, to come and appear before the Juſtices of the Peace for the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, at ſome Quarter Seſſions of the Peace to be holden in and for the ſaid City and Liberty, or ſome Adjournment thereof, as in ſuch Warrant or Warrants, Precept or Precepts, ſhall be directed and appointed, and to attend the ſaid Courts reſpectively, from Day to Day, until diſcharged

When Parties refuſe to treat, &c. the Court of Mayor and Aldermen to iſſue a Precept for impanelling a Jury;

who are to be drawn as the Act 3 *Geo.* II. directs.

charged by the ſaid Courts reſpectively; and all Parties concerned ſhall and may have their lawful Challenges againſt any of the ſaid Jurymen, but ſhall not be at Liberty to challenge the Array: And the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices, reſpectively, are hereby authorized and empowered, by Precept or Precepts, from Time to Time, as Occaſion ſhall require, to call before them all and every Perſon and Perſons whomſoever, who ſhall be thought proper and neceſſary to be examined as a Witneſs or Witneſſes, on his, her, or their Oath or Oaths, touching or concerning the Premiſes; and the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices, reſpectively, if they think fit, ſhall and may, on the Application of either Party, likewiſe authoriſe the ſaid Jury to view the Place or Places, or Premiſes, in Queſtion, in ſuch Manner as they ſhall direct; and the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices, reſpectively, ſhall have Power to adjourn ſuch Meeting from Day to Day, as Occaſion ſhall require, and to command ſuch Jury, Witneſſes, and Parties, to attend, until all ſuch Affairs for which they were ſummoned ſhall be concluded; and the ſaid Jury upon their Oaths (which Oaths, as alſo the Oaths of ſuch Perſon or Perſons as ſhall be called upon to give Evidence, the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices, reſpectively, are hereby empowered and required to adminiſter) ſhall inquire of the Value of ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, and of the proportionable Value of the reſpective Eſtates and Intereſts of every Perſon or Perſons ſeiſed or poſſeſſed thereof, or intereſted therein, or of or in any Part thereof; and ſhall aſſeſs and award the Sum or Sums of Money to be paid to ſuch Perſon or Perſons, Party or Parties, reſpectively, for the Purchaſe of ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, and of ſuch reſpective Eſtates and Intereſts therein, and alſo for Good-will, Improvements, or any Injury or Damage whatſoever, that may affect any ſuch Perſon or Perſons, Party or Parties, either as Leaſeholder or Tenant at Will; and the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices, reſpectively, ſhall and may give Judgement for ſuch Sum or Sums of Money ſo to be aſſeſſed; which ſaid Verdict or Verdicts, and the ſaid Judgement and Judgements, Determination and Determinations thereupon, (Notice in Writing being given to the Perſon or Perſons intereſted, or claiming ſo to be, at leaſt Fourteen Days before the Time of the Meeting of the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices, as aforeſaid, reſpectively, and the Jury, by leaving ſuch Notice at the Dwelling Houſe of ſuch Perſon or Perſons, or at his, her, or their, uſual Place or Places of Abode, or with ſome Tenant or Occupier of ſome of the ſaid Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, intended to be valued or aſſeſſed), ſhall be binding and concluſive to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever, as well againſt the King's Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, as againſt all Bodies Politick, Corporate, and Collegiate, and all and every Perſon and Perſons claiming any Eſtate, Right, Title, Truſt, Uſe, or Intereſt, in, to, or out of, ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, and Premiſes, in Poſſeſſion, Reverſion, Remainder, or Expectancy, as well Infants and Iſſue unborn, Lunaticks, Idiots, and Femes Covert, and Perſons under any other legal Incapacity or Diſability, as all other *Ceſtuique* Truſts, his, her, and their Heirs, Succeſſors, Executors, and Adminiſtrators, and againſt all other Perſons whomſoever; and the ſaid Verdicts, Judgements, and Determinations, and all other Proceedings of the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, and Juſtices reſpectively, and Juries, ſo to be made, given, and pronounced, as aforeſaid, ſhall be fairly written

Jury may be challenged.

Jury to aſſeſs the Value on Oath.

Verdict of the Jury, &c. to be final.

Previous Notice to be given to Parties intereſted.

written on Parchment, and ſigned by the Town Clerk of the ſaid City, or the Clerk of the Peace of the ſaid County, or the High Bailiff of *Weſtminſter*, for the Time being, as the Caſe ſhall be: And in caſe it ſhall ſo happen, that the Sum or Sums of Money, ſo to be aſſeſſed and awarded, in conſequence of ſuch Refuſal to treat and agree as aforeſaid, as the Value of ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or as ſuch proportional Value as aforeſaid, and as the Recompence and Satisfaction to be made for the Injury or Damage ſuſtained, as before mentioned reſpectively, ſhall not exceed the Sum or Sums of Money, which the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, or any Perſon or Perſons authorized by them, ſhall have previouſly offered to pay, as and for ſuch Value, Recompence, and Satisfaction, then, and in every ſuch Caſe, all the reaſonable Coſts, Charges, and Expences, of cauſing and procuring ſuch Value and Recompence, to be aſſeſſed and awarded by a Jury as aforeſaid, and of ſo aſſeſſing and awarding the ſame, ſhall be borne and paid by the Bodies Politick, Corporate, or Collegiate, or other Perſon or Perſons ſo ſeiſed or poſſeſſed of, or intereſted in, ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, and ſo refuſing to treat and agree as before mentioned reſpectively; and the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, are hereby authorized and empowered to deduct and retain the ſaid Coſts, Charges, and Expences, out of the Sum or Sums of Money ſo to be aſſeſſed or awarded as aforeſaid, or out of any Part thereof.

Expences of Juries provided for.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That upon Payment of the Sum or Sums of Money ſo to be awarded and adjudged as aforeſaid, after ſuch Deduction as aforeſaid to the Perſon or Perſons to whom the ſame ſhall be ſo awarded, for the Purchaſe of the ſaid Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or for the Purchaſe of any Eſtate or Intereſt therein, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall make and execute, or procure to be made and executed, good, valid, and legal, Conveyances, Aſſignments, and Aſſurances, in the Law, to the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or any Perſon or Perſons in Truſt for them, of the ſaid Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or of ſuch Eſtate or Intereſt for which ſuch Sum or Sums of Money ſhall be ſo awarded, and ſhall procure all neceſſary Parties to execute ſuch Conveyances, Aſſignments, and Aſſurances, and ſhall do all Acts, Matters, and Things, neceſſary and requiſite to make and derive a good, clear, and perfect Title thereto, to the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens; and ſuch Conveyances, Aſſignments, and Aſſurances, ſhall contain all ſuch reaſonable and uſual Covenants as ſhall, on the Part of the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, be required; and in caſe the Perſon or Perſons, to whom ſuch Sum or Sums of Money ſhall be awarded as aforeſaid, ſhall not be able to evince and make out a good and ſufficient Title to the Premiſes, to the Satisfaction of the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, and to make, or procure to be made, good, valid, and legal Conveyances thereof to the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or any Perſon or Perſons in Truſt for them, or ſhall refuſe ſo to do, being thereto required, and ſuch Sum or Sums ſo aſſeſſed and awarded as aforeſaid, after ſuch Deduction as aforeſaid, being produced and tendered to be paid to him, her, or them, on their making ſuch Title, and executing, or procuring to be executed, ſuch Conveyances, Aſſignments, or Aſſurances, as aforeſaid, or ſhall refuſe to accept or receive

Upon Payment of the Value aſſeſſed the Premiſes to be conveyed to the City.

When a good Title cannot be made, or legal Conveyances executed;

receive the ſame, being tendered to be paid to him, her, or them; or in caſe any ſuch Perſon or Perſons, to whom any Sum or Sums of Money as aforeſaid ſhall be ſo awarded, cannot be found in the ſaid City of *London*, or in the County of *Middleſex*, or in caſe that, by reaſon of Diſputes depending in any Court of Law or Equity, or for Defect of Evidence, it ſhall not appear to the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, what Perſon or Perſons is or are entitled to the Premiſes in Queſtion; then, and in every ſuch Caſe, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen to order the ſaid Sum or Sums ſo aſſeſſed and awarded as the Value and Purchaſe Money for the ſaid Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, as aforeſaid, to be paid into the Bank of *England*, in the Name, and with the Privity, of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account, to the Credit of the Parties intereſted in the ſaid Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, (deſcribing them), ſubject to the Order, Controul, and Diſpoſition, of the ſaid Court of Chancery; which ſaid Court of Chancery, on the Application of any Perſon or Perſons making Claim to ſuch Sum or Sums, or any Part thereof, by Motion or Petition, ſhall be, and is hereby empowered, in a ſummary Way of Proceeding, or otherwiſe as to the ſame Court ſhall ſeem meet, to order Diſtribution thereof, according to the reſpective Eſtate or Eſtates, Title, or Intereſt, of the Perſon or Perſons making Claim thereunto, and to make ſuch other Order in the Premiſes as to the ſaid Court ſhall ſeem juſt and reaſonable; and the Caſhier or Caſhiers of the Bank of *England*, who ſhall receive ſuch Sum and Sums, is and are hereby required to give a Receipt or Receipts for ſuch Sum or Sums, mentioning and ſpecifying for what and for whoſe Uſe the ſame is or are received, to ſuch Perſons as ſhall pay any ſuch Sum or Sums into the Bank as aforeſaid.

Or the Parties are not to be found, &c.

Court to order the Purchaſe Money to be paid into the Bank, &c.;

ſubject to the Order of the Court of Chancery, on Motion or Petition.

XX. And be it further enacted, That all ſuch Verdicts, Judgements, Sentences, Determinations, Orders, and other Proceedings, of the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices reſpectively, and Juries, as relate to or concern any of the Caſes before mentioned, and all Receipts, which the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers of the Bank ſhall give, for any Sum or Sums of Money paid into the Bank in conſequence of any ſuch Verdict and Judgement, ſhall be entered among the Records of the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or General Quarter Seſſions of the Peace for the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, as the Caſe ſhall happen to be; and the ſaid Verdicts, Judgements, Sentences, Decrees, and Orders, and other Proceedings, ſhall be deemed and taken to be Records to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever; and the ſame, or true Copies thereof, ſhall be deemed and taken to be good and effectual Evidence and Proof in any Court or Courts of Law or Equity whatſoever; and all Perſons ſhall and may have Recourſe to the ſame *gratis*, and to take Copies thereof, paying for every Copy not exceeding Two hundred Words Sixpence, and ſo proportionably for any greater Number of Words: And immediately after ſuch Verdicts, Judgements, Sentences, Decrees, Orders, and other Proceedings, of the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices, as aforeſaid, reſpectively, and Juries, and Payment into the Bank as aforeſaid, and after ſuch Receipt or Receipts of the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers ſhall be given as before mentioned, all the Eſtate, Right, Title, Intereſt, Uſe, Truſt, Property, Claim, and Demand, in Law and Equity, of the Perſon or Perſons

Verdicts and Judgements to be entered among the Records.

Immediately after Verdicts and Payments, &c. Premiſes to veſt in the City.

to

to whose Credit such Money shall be paid, in, to, and out of, the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises, to be purchased as aforesaid, shall vest in the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, and they shall be deemed in Law to be in the actual Seisin or Possession thereof to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as fully and effectually as if every Person having any Estate in the Premises had actually conveyed the same by Lease and Release, Bargain and Sale inrolled, Feoffment with Livery of Seisin, Fine, Common Recovery, or any other Conveyance or Assurance whatsoever; and such Payment shall not only bar all Right, Title, Interest, Claim, and Demand, of the Person or Persons to whose Credit such Payment shall have been made, but also shall extend to, and be deemed and construed to bar, the Dower and Dowers of the Wife and Wives of such Person and Persons, and all Estates Tail, and other Estates in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, or Expectancy, and the Issue and Issues of such Person and Persons, and every Person claiming under them, as effectually as Fines or Common Recoveries would do, if levied or suffered by the proper Parties in due Form of Law.

Court of Mayor and Aldermen on Petition, may invest the Money in the Publick Funds.

XXI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen, after such Payment into the Bank, and Entry of the Receipt as aforesaid, and before any Application in respect thereof to the said Court of Chancery, at the Petition of any Person or Persons claiming to be interested in such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to place out or invest, or cause to be placed out or invested, such Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, in some of the Publick Funds, or on Government Security, at Interest, in the Name or Names of any Person or Persons authorized and appointed by the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen for that Purpose, in Trust, to transfer and assign the same to the Person or Persons to whom the Premises shall belong, on their executing proper Conveyances thereof; and, in the mean Time, in Trust, to pay the Interest and Dividends arising therefrom to the Person or Persons who was or were in Possession of the said Premises at the Time of the said Payment into the Bank, such Tenant in Possession not being a Tenant at Will; and the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen are hereby empowered to make such Order as aforesaid on the Bank, for the Payment of such Sum or Sums of Money, or any Part thereof, as shall be necessary, in order to the same being so invested in Publick Securities; and the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or other Person or Persons, to whom the said Premises, for which such Money shall have been so paid as aforesaid, shall, by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, be ordered or appointed to be conveyed as before mentioned, shall be quieted in the Seisin and Possession of the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, for which such Money shall be so paid as aforesaid, and shall not be answerable or accountable in any Court of Law or Equity, for the Money so deposited and placed out as aforesaid, any otherwise than according to the true Meaning of this Act.

Purchase Money of Premises held in Trust to be invested in other Pur-

XXII. And be it further enacted, That the Principal Money arising from the Sale of any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall be purchased for the Purposes expressed in this Act, of any Body Corporate or Collegiate, Corporation Aggregate or

Sole, Feoffees in Truſt, Guardians, Committees, or other Truſtees, or from any Feme Covert, exceeding the Sum of Twenty Pounds, ſhall be paid to ſuch Perſons as they ſhall reſpectively nominate to receive the ſame in Truſt, with all convenient Speed then afterwards to be re-inveſted in the Purchaſe of other Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be conveyed and ſettled to and upon, and ſubject to the like Uſes, Truſts, Limitations, Remainders, and Contingencies, as the Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, which ſhall be purchaſed of them reſpectively, by the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, as aforeſaid, were reſpectively ſettled, limited, or aſſured, at the Time of ſuch Purchaſe, or ſo many thereof, as at the Time of making ſuch Conveyances and Settlements ſhall be exiſting and capable of taking Effect; and any ſuch Body, Corporation, or other Perſon, as aforeſaid, ſhall or may be at Liberty to add any Money, not exceeding One hundred Pounds; and the Money ariſing from ſuch Sale as aforeſaid to be reinveſted as aforeſaid.

Purchaſes to the ſame Uſes.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That the Conveyance of any ſuch Eſtate or Intereſt of any Feme Covert, to the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or any Perſon or Perſons in Truſt for them, by Indenture or Indentures of Bargain and Sale, ſealed and delivered by ſuch Feme Covert, in the Preſence of, and atteſted by, Two credible Witneſſes, and duly acknowledged, and to be inrolled in the Court of Huſtings of the City of *London*, in caſe the Premiſes in Queſtion lie within ſuch City or the Liberties thereof, and if in the County of *Middleſex*, then to be inrolled in the High Court of Chancery within Six Calendar Months after the making thereof, ſhall as effectually and abſolutely convey the Eſtate and Intereſt of ſuch Feme Covert in the Premiſes, as any Fine or Fines, Recovery or Recoveries, would or could do, if levied or ſuffered thereof in due Form of Law; and further, that all Bargains and Sales whatſoever, to be made of any ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, as ſhall be purchaſed by the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens by virtue of and for the Purpoſe of this Act, and inrolled as aforeſaid, ſhall have the like Force, Effect, and Operation, in Law, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as any Fine or Fines, Recovery or Recoveries whatſoever, would have had, if levied or ſuffered by the Bargainer or Bargainers, or any Perſon or Perſons ſeiſed of any Eſtate in the Premiſes in Truſt, for ſuch Bargainer or Bargainers, in any legal Manner or Form whatſoever.

Bargains and Sales to have the Force of Fines and Recoveries.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That all and every Perſon and Perſons whomſoever, having or claiming any Right, Title, Intereſt, Uſe, Property, Claim, or Demand whatſoever, whether in Poſſeſſion, Reverſion, Remainder, or Expectancy, in, to, or out of, any Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which, by virtue and for the Purpoſes of this Act, ſhall be purchaſed by, and conveyed or mentioned, or intended to be conveyed, to the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or any Perſon or Perſons in Truſt for them, by any ſuch Bargain and Sale as aforeſaid, ſhall, within the Space of Five Years, to be computed from the Date of the Inrolment of ſuch Bargain and Sale enter a Memorial of ſuch their Right, Title, Intereſt, Uſe, Property, Claim, and Demand, in a Book to be for that Purpoſe prepared and kept by the Town Clerk of the ſaid City of *London*, or the Clerk of the Peace of the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, for the Time being

Perſons having any Right, &c. to enter their Claims within a limited Time, or be barred.

being respectively; which Book the said Town Clerk and Clerk of the Peace respectively are hereby required to prepare and keep accordingly, and for which Entry they shall be entitled to such Fee, and no other, as the Register of the County of *Middlesex* is by Law entitled to, for the Registry of a Memorial containing the same Number of Words; and all and every Person and Persons whosoever, not entering such Right, Claim, and Demand, within such Time, and in such Manner as aforesaid, or having so entered the same, and not prosecuting such their Right, Claim, or Demand, with Effect, within the Space of Five Years, to be computed from the Time of such Entry, shall be for ever barred of all Right, Title, Use, Equity, Property, Claim, and Demand whatsoever, whether in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, or Expectancy, in, to, upon, or out of, the said Premises, and every Part thereof; and the said Mayor, and Commonalty, and Citizens, and those claiming by, from, or under them, shall be quieted in the Possession of all such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises; any Law, Statute, Usage, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, to the contrary notwithstanding.

But may recover the Purchase Money, &c. from Persons receiving the same.

XXV. Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That any Person or Persons barred of any Right, Title, Estate, Interest, Claim, or Demand, whatsoever, in, to, or out of, the said Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, by virtue of this Act, shall be at Liberty to bring any Action or Actions of Debt, or for Money had and received to his, her, or their Use, against any Person or Persons, or the legal Representatives of any Person or Persons who shall have received all or any Part of the Purchase Money arising from such Sale of the said Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises, aforesaid; and that, in every such Case, the respective Plaintiffs, on Proof of such Title as would have enabled them to recover such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Part thereof, or any Estate or Interest in the same, shall recover the said Purchase Money, or so much thereof as shall be equivalent to their Interest in the said Premises, together with such Interest as shall be equivalent to the Mesne Profits of the Premises which they would have been entitled to recover in case this Act had not been made.

Tenants at Will, &c. to deliver Possession on Six Months Notice.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That every Tenant at Will, or Lessee for a Year, or any other Person or Persons in Possession of any such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises, or any Part thereof, which shall be purchased by virtue of and for the Purposes of this Act, and who shall have no greater Interest in the Premises than as Tenant at Will, or as Lessee for a Year, or from Year to Year, shall deliver up the Possession of such Premises to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or to such Person or Persons as the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, shall appoint to take Possession of the same; upon having Six Calendar Months Notice to quit such Possession from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, or the Person or Persons so authorized by them; and such Person or Persons in Possession shall, at the End of the said Six Calendar Months, or so soon after as he or they shall be required, peaceably and quietly, deliver up the Possession of the said Premises, to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or the Person or Persons authorized by the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council

Council aſſembled, to take Poſſeſſion thereof; and that, in caſe any ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo in Poſſeſſion as aforeſaid, ſhall refuſe to give ſuch Poſſeſſion as aforeſaid, then it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen to iſſue their Precept or Precepts to the Sheriffs of the ſaid City of *London*, or the Sheriff of the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, as the Caſe ſhall require, to deliver Poſſeſſion of the Premiſes to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as ſhall in ſuch Precept or Precepts be nominated to receive the ſame; and the ſaid Sheriffs or Sheriff are hereby required to deliver ſuch Poſſeſſion accordingly of the ſaid Premiſes, and to levy ſuch Coſts as ſhall accrue from the Iſſuing and Execution of ſuch Precept or Precepts on the Perſon or Perſons ſo refuſing to give Poſſeſſion as aforeſaid, by Diſtreſs and Sale of his, her, or their Goods.

Mortgagees, on Tender of Principal and Intereſt, to convey.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Perſon and Perſons, who ſhall have any Mortgage or Mortgages, on ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, not being in Poſſeſſion thereof by virtue of ſuch Mortgage or Mortgages, ſhall, on the Tender of the Principal Money and Intereſt due thereon, together with the Amount of Six Calendar Months Intereſt on the ſaid Principal Money, by the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, or by ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint, immediately convey, aſſign, and transfer, ſuch Mortgage or Mortgages, to the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall appoint; or, in caſe ſuch Mortgagee or Mortgagees ſhall have Notice in Writing, from the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, or ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint, that they will pay off and diſcharge the Principal Money and Intereſt which ſhall be due on the ſaid Mortgage or Mortgages, at the End or Expiration of Six Calendar Months, to be computed from the Day of giving ſuch Notice, that then, at the End of the ſaid Six Calendar Months, on Payment of the Principal and Intereſt ſo due, ſuch Mortgagee or Mortgagees ſhall convey, aſſign, and transfer, his, her, or their Intereſt in the Premiſes to the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty, and Citizens, or ſuch Perſon or Perſons as ſhall be appointed in Truſt for them; and in caſe ſuch Mortgagee or Mortgagees ſhall refuſe to convey and aſſign as aforeſaid, on ſuch Tender or Payment, that then all Intereſt on every ſuch Mortgage ſhall from thenceforth ceaſe and determine.

On Refuſal, Intereſt to ceaſe.

Upon Payment of Principal and Intereſt into the Bank,

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That upon Payment of the Principal Money and Intereſt due on any Mortgage as aforeſaid into the Bank, at the End of Six Calendar Months from the Day of giving ſuch Notice as aforeſaid, for the Uſe of the Mortgagee or Mortgagees, the Caſhier or Caſhiers of the Bank ſhall give a Receipt or Receipts for the ſaid Money, in like Manner as is herein-before directed in Caſes of other Payments into the Bank; and thereupon all the Eſtate, Right, Title, Intereſt, Uſe, Truſt, Property, Claim, and Demand, of the ſaid Mortgagee or Mortgagees, and of all and every Perſon and Perſons in Truſt for him, her, or them, ſhall veſt in the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, and they ſhall be deemed to be in the actual Poſſeſſion of the Premiſes compriſed in ſuch Mortgage or Mortgages to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever.

Premiſes to veſt in the City.

XXIX. And

Monies to be paid or tendered before any Uſe made of the Premiſes.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That all Sums of Money, or other Conſideration, Recompence, or Satisfaction, to be paid or made purſuant to any ſuch Agreement or Verdict as aforeſaid, or in Diſcharge of any ſuch Mortgage, ſhall be paid or tendered to the Party or Parties entitled to the ſame, or paid into the Bank of *England* as aforeſaid, before the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, or any Perſon or Perſons authorized by them, ſhall proceed to pull down any Houſe or Houſes, or other Erections or Buildings, compriſed in or affected by ſuch Agreement, Verdict, or Mortgage, reſpectively, or to uſe the Ground for any of the Purpoſes of this Act.

Court of Aldermen may fine Sheriffs, Jurors, or Witneſſes, for not attending, &c.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, and the ſaid Juſtices reſpectively, ſhall have Power, from Time to Time, to impoſe any reaſonable Fine, not exceeding the Sum of Ten Pounds, on ſuch Sheriffs or Sheriff, or High Bailiff of *Weſtminſter*, or their or his Deputy or Deputies, Bailiffs, or Agents reſpectively, making Default in the Premiſes, and on any of the Perſons who ſhall be ſummoned and returned on any ſuch Jury or Juries as ſhall not appear, or as ſhall refuſe to be ſworn on the ſaid Jury or Juries, or being ſo ſworn, ſhall not give his or their Verdict, and alſo on any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be ſummoned to give Evidence touching any of the Matters aforeſaid, and ſhall not attend, or ſhall refuſe to be ſworn, or to affirm, or who ſhall refuſe to give his, her, or their Evidence, and on any other Perſon or Perſons who ſhall in any other Manner wilfully neglect his, her, or their Duty, in the Premiſes, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, and from Time to Time to levy ſuch Fine or Fines by Order of the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Juſtices reſpectively, by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Offender's Goods, together with the reaſonable Charges of every ſuch Diſtreſs and Sale, returning the Overplus (if any) to the Owner or Owners; and that a Copy of the Order of the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, ſigned by the Town Clerk of the ſaid City for the Time being, or a Copy of the Order of the ſaid Juſtices, ſigned by the Clerk of the Peace of the ſaid County of *Middleſex* for the Time being, ſhall reſpectively be ſufficient Authority to the Perſon or Perſons therein to be appointed, and to every other Perſon acting or aiding and aſſiſting therein, to make ſuch Diſtreſs and Sale; and all ſuch Fines ſhall be paid to the Chamberlain of the ſaid City for the Time being, to be applied to the Purpoſes of this Act.

Common Council empowered to let, ſell, &c. any Ground not neceſſary for the Purpoſes of this Act,

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, to let, ſell, or diſpoſe of, or cauſe to be let, ſold, or diſpoſed of, all or any of the Houſes and Buildings to be erected and built as before mentioned, and their Appurtenances, (except the ſaid Pariſh Church and Church Yard), and alſo all or any Part or Parts of ſuch Land or Ground ſo to be purchaſed as aforeſaid, as may not be neceſſary to be laid into any of the ſaid intended Streets, Ways, or Paſſages, to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as ſhall be willing to contract, agree for, rent, or purchaſe, the ſame.

and to uſe or ſell old Materials;

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall and may uſe, or cauſe to be uſed, ſuch of the Materials of the ſaid Pariſh Church,

or of any Part thereof, as ſhall not be applied in rebuilding the ſame, and alſo all or any Part of the old Materials of Houſes and other Buildings to be taken down, removed, or altered reſpectively, purſuant to this Act, in or about the making and finiſhing of the aforeſaid new Buildings and other Improvements, or any of them; or the ſame Materials, or any Part thereof, ſhall and may ſell, or cauſe to be ſold, as they ſhall think fit.

and to grant Licences for building on Part of the Streets, *etc.*

XXXIII. And whereas, for the greater Regularity or Beauty of the ſaid intended Streets, Ways, or Paſſages, to be made in purſuance of this Act, it may be proper to build Houſes, or Parts of Houſes, on ſome Parts of the preſent Streets, Ways, or Paſſages, intended to be altered or ſtopped up by virtue of this Act; be it therefore further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, for and in Conſideration of ſuch Sum or Sums of Money, or Yearly Rent or Rents, as they ſhall think reaſonable, to grant unto the Owner or Owners of the Freehold and Inheritance of the Houſe or Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, next adjoining in Front to the ſaid Ground to be purchaſed, Licence or Licences, under the Common Seal of the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the ſaid City of *London*, to build upon, and incloſe ſo much of the Ground and Soil, in the Front of the ſaid reſpective Houſe or Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as they ſhall judge fit and proper to be built upon for the Purpoſes of this Act; and the Ground and Soil, ſo built upon in purſuance of ſuch Licence or Licences, ſhall for ever, or for or during the Time or Term to be expreſſed in ſuch Licence or Licences, and ſubject to the Conditions therein to be contained, be annexed to the adjoining Freehold; any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Monies ariſing by Sales or Licences to be appropriated to the Purpoſes of the Act.

XXXIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That all Rents, and other Sum and Sums of Money, to ariſe by the Sale or Letting of the Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, ſo to be let or ſold, or by Sale of ſuch of the Materials of the ſaid Pariſh Church as ſhall not be uſed in rebuilding the ſame, or by Sale of the Materials of Houſes and Buildings to be purchaſed and pulled down, and all Monies to ariſe from ſuch Licences as aforeſaid, ſhall be applied, and the ſame are hereby appropriated, to the Purpoſes of this Act, and to no other Uſe, Intent, or Purpoſe whatſoever.

For ſecuring the Tithes, *etc.* of Premiſes taken down.

XXXV. And whereas, by pulling down ſuch Houſes and Buildings, and Parts of Houſes and Buildings, as may be neceſſary for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, and laying the Ground or Soil thereof into the ſaid improved Streets, Ways, or Paſſages, the Number of Houſeholders and of Inhabitants of the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes* may be diminiſhed, and thereby the Income of the Rector of the ſaid Pariſh Church for the Time being may be leſſened, unleſs ſome Proviſion for indemnifying him ſhall be made by this Act; and the Rector and Vicar of the Pariſh Church of *Saint Sepulchre* aforeſaid may be deprived of his or their Remedy for recovering the Tithes, or Yearly Sums of Money or Cuſtomary Payments in Lieu of Tithes, now charged on ſuch Houſes or Buildings in the ſame Pariſh, as may be neceſſary to be ſo pulled down, unleſs ſome Proviſion be made by this Act for the future Payment of the ſame; be it therefore enacted, That, for indem-

nifying the Rector of the ſaid Pariſh Church of *Saint Clement Danes*, and his Succeſſors, againſt ſuch Loſs as aforeſaid, a perpetual Annual Sum of Fifteen Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*; ſhall be charged upon and iſſuing out of ſuch Ground, in the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes*, as by the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall be let or ſold to be built upon in purſuance of this Act, and upon and out of ſuch Houſes, Buildings, and Tenements, as ſhall be built or ſtanding thereon, or the ſame Annual Sum of Fifteen Pounds ſhall be charged upon and iſſuing out of ſuch Parcel or Parcels only of the ſame Ground, Houſes, Buildings, and Tenements, and in ſuch Shares and Proportions, or according to ſuch Apportionment, among ſuch reſpective Parcels as the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall at the Time or Times of letting or ſelling ſuch Parcels of Ground reſpectively, think fit and direct; and as the ſame ſhall be accordingly charged upon ſuch Parcels of Ground, Houſes, Buildings, and Tenements, reſpectively, by any Deed or Deeds, Writing or Writings, under the Common Seal of the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the ſaid City of *London*; and the ſame Annual Sum, ſo to be apportioned and charged as aforeſaid, ſhall from Time to Time thenafter be payable to the Rector of the ſame Pariſh Church of *Saint Clement Danes*, and his Succeſſors for the Time being, for ever, in ſuch Manner, and the ſame, or the reſpective Proportions thereof, ſhall commence from ſuch Time or reſpective Times, as are herein-after mentioned, and to be paid clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatſoever: And, for ſecuring to the Rector and Vicar of the ſaid Pariſh Church of *Saint Sepulchre* the Payment of ſuch Tithes, or Yearly Sums of Money or Cuſtomary Payments in Lieu of Tithes, as aforeſaid, now charged on ſuch Houſes and Buildings in that Pariſh as ſhall be pulled down in purſuance of this Act; be it alſo enacted, That the Tithes, or Yearly Sums of Money, or Cuſtomary Payments in Lieu of Tithes, charged reſpectively on ſuch Meſſuages, Buildings, or Tenements, and ſuch Part or Parts of Meſſuages, Buildings, or Tenements, in the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Sepulchre*, as ſhall be pulled down under the Authority of this Act, and all Arrears and growing Payments thereof, or Annual Sum or Annual Sums of Money, equal to the Loſs which the Rector and Vicar of the ſaid Pariſh Church of *Saint Sepulchre* may ſuſtain by the Execution of this Act, ſhall be charged upon and iſſuing out of ſuch Ground in that Pariſh, as by the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall be let or ſold, to be built upon, in purſuance of this Act, and upon and out of ſuch Houſes, Buildings, and Tenements, as ſhall be built or ſtanding thereon; or the ſame Tithes, or Cuſtomary Payments or Annual Sum or Sums in Lieu of Tithes, ſhall be charged upon, and iſſuing out of ſuch Parts or Parcels only of the ſame Ground, Houſes, Buildings, and Tenements, and in ſuch Shares or Proportions, or according to ſuch Apportionment, among ſuch reſpective Parcels, as the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall, at the Time or Times of letting or ſelling ſuch Parcels of Ground, reſpectively direct, and as the ſame ſhall be accordingly charged upon ſuch Parcels of Ground, Houſes, Buildings, and Tenements, reſpectively, by any Deed or Deeds, Writing or Writings, under the Common Seal of the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the ſaid City of *London*; and the ſame Annual Sum, ſo to be apportioned and charged as aforeſaid, ſhall from Time to Time thenafter be payable to the Rector and Vicar of the ſame laſt-

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mentioned Parish Church, and his and their Successors for the Time being, for ever, in such Manner, and the same or the respective Proportions thereof shall commence from such Time or respective Times as are herein-after mentioned; all which said Annual Sums in lieu of Loss, as aforesaid, to the said Rector of *Saint Clement*, or Tithes to the said Rector and Vicar of *Saint Sepulchre*, shall be paid and payable, clear of all Taxes and Deductions, at the Four most usual Quarterly Feasts or Days of Payment in every Year, that is to say, the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, the Nativity of Saint *John* the Baptist, Saint *Michael* the Archangel, and the Nativity of our Blessed Saviour, by equal Payments in every Year; the First Payment thereof respectively to be made on such of the said Feast Days as shall first and next happen after the pulling down of any such Houses, Buildings, or Tenements, or any Part or Parts thereof, in the said Parishes of *Saint Clement* and *Saint Sepulchre* respectively, for the Purposes aforesaid, together with all Arrears.

Power of Recovery of Annual Sums in Lieu of Tithes, &c.

XXXVI. And be it further enacted, That as well the Rector of the said Parish Church of *Saint Clement Danes* and his Successors, as the Rector and Vicar of the said Parish Church of *Saint Sepulchre*, and his and their Successor and Successors, shall for ever have and enjoy such and the like Powers, Authorities, and Remedies, for recovering and receiving the said Annual Sums hereby provided for them respectively, of and from the respective Owners or Occupiers of the Houses, Buildings, or Tenements, which shall be so charged therewith, or with certain Parts or Proportions thereof, according to the true Meaning of this Act, as the Rector and Vicar of the said Parish Church of *Saint Sepulchre*, or either of them, now have or hath, for recovering and receiving the Tithes, or Yearly Sums or Customary Payments in Lieu of Tithes, charged on, or payable in respect of, Houses, Buildings, and other Hereditaments, in that Parish: Provided nevertheless, that nothing in this Act shall be construed to extend to vary or alter the Rights of the said Rector of the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes*, or the said Rector and Vicar of the said Parish of *Saint Sepulchre*, within the same Parishes respectively, or to subject the Inhabitants thereof to any other Claims or Demands of the said Rector, or Rector and Vicar, than they respectively were heretofore lawfully subjected unto.

Annual Sums in Lieu of Tithes how to be paid.

XXXVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That, in the mean Time, after the said Annual Sums in Lieu of Tithes shall respectively commence and become payable, and until the Houses, Buildings and Tenements, to be charged therewith, shall be inhabited or actually occupied respectively, the same Annual Sums shall be duly paid and discharged from and out of the Money to be raised by virtue of this Act.

Compensation for Loss of Taxes and Rates.

XXXVIII. And whereas, by reason of pulling down the Houses, and making the Alterations, in pursuance of this Act, there may be Deficiencies in the Produce of the Land Tax, and Paving, Cleansing, Lighting, and Poors Rates, within the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes*, and the said Parish of *Saint Sepulchre*, in the City of *London*; be it further enacted, That the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall, from and after the passing of this Act, for and during the Term of Ten Years, or such other shorter Time within which the said several Works and Improvements shall or may be completed and finished, be subject and liable to make good to the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes*, within the City and Liberty of

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Weſtminſter, and to the Liberty of the Duchy of *Lancaſter*, and to the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Sepulchre*, reſpectively, all ſuch Sum or Sums of Money, which, during ſuch Term, ſhall be deficient, in reſpect of the Produce of the Aſſeſſments for Land Tax, and Paving, Cleanſing, and Lighting, and Poors Rates, within the ſaid ſeveral Pariſhes reſpectively, by Reaſon or Means of the Alterations ariſing from carrying this Act into Execution, within the ſaid reſpective Diſtricts, according to the Produce of ſuch ſeveral Rates and Aſſeſſments reſpectively, in ſuch reſpective Diſtricts, from *Lady-day* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-four, to *Lady-day* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-five, and ſhall pay the ſame accordingly to the ſeveral Collectors of the ſaid Tax and Rates: Provided always, that when and ſo ſoon as after this Act ſhall be carried into Execution, the Produce or Payments, for and in reſpect of the ſeveral Aſſeſſments for Land Tax, and Paving, Cleanſing, and Lighting, and Poors Rates, or any of them, of and for all the new or other Houſes and Buildings, and other Tenements and Hereditaments, whatſoever, which ſhall then reſpectively abut or adjoin upon, or have Communication by a private Paſſage with either the North Side of the ſaid intended new Street, Way, or Paſſage, from the North-eaſt Corner of *Wych Street* to *Temple Bar*, or the Weſt End of *Saint Clement's* Church Yard from *Wych Street* to the *Strand*, or the South Side of the *Strand* from *Arundel Street* to *Temple Bar*, or the ſaid intended New Street or Paſſage from the Bottom of *Holborn Hill* to the Eaſt End of *Snow Hill*, and of and for all and ſingular ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments whatſoever, as ſhall then be ſtanding upon, or Part of the Land and other Hereditaments in the ſaid Pariſhes of *Saint Clement Danes* and *Saint Sepulchre* reſpectively, which ſhall be purchaſed in Execution of this Act, ſhall raiſe a larger Sum of Money at the ſame Rate *per* Pound than the Sum raiſed by the Aſſeſſments from *Lady-day* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-four to *Lady-day* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-five, of and for the ſeveral Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, now reſpectively abutting or adjoining upon, or having Communication by a private Paſſage with, *Butcher Row*, the Street called *The Back of Saint Clement's*, *Saint Clement's* Church Yard, and the North and South Sides of ſo much of the *Strand* as extends between *Arundel Street* and *Temple Bar*, and of and for all and ſingular ſuch Houſes, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, whatſoever, now ſituate in the ſaid Pariſhes of *Saint Clement Danes* and *Saint Sepulchre* reſpectively, as ſhall be purchaſed in Execution of this Act; that then the Surplus ſhall, in the Firſt Place, be applied and paid to the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, towards re-imburſing them what they ſhall have paid for or in reſpect of the aforeſaid Deficiencies in the Aſſeſſments for Land Tax, and Paving, Cleanſing, and Lighting, and Poors Rates, reſpectively; and ſo, from Time to Time, when and as often as there ſhall be any Surplus, until the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall be wholly re-imburſed and repaid all Monies which they ſhall have diſburſed to make good ſuch Deficiencies.

Compenſation to Rector of *St. Clement Danes* and other Officers of the ſaid Church.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That, until the ſaid Pariſh Church of *Saint Clement Danes* ſhall be rebuilt, and rendered completely fit for the Performance of Divine Service therein, the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall pay and allow, out of the Fund to be raiſed by virtue of this Act, and make Recompence to the Rector, Clerk, Sexton, and Organiſt, attending the ſaid

Church, all such Deficiency as they can make appear to the Committee, to be appointed by the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, they have sustained in the Receipt of Pew Rent, Dues, and Fees, yearly and every Year, from the Time of taking down the said Church until the same shall so be rebuilt as aforesaid; the Computation of such Deficiency to be made upon the Average for the Seven Years preceding the taking down the said Church.

For apportioning the Land Tax between the *Westminster* and Duchy Liberties.

XL. And whereas the whole of the North Side of the Streets, or Places, called *The Strand*, *Butcher Row*, and *The Back of Saint Clement's*, from *Temple Bar* to the East End of *Wych Street*, lie within that Part of the Parish of *Saint Clement Danes* which is within the City of *Westminster* and the Liberties thereof; and whereas the South Side of the said Street, or Place, called *The Butcher Row* and *Back of Saint Clement's* to *Holywell Street*, lie within that Part of the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes* which is within the Liberty of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, in the *Strand*, in the County of *Middlesex*: And whereas it may happen, according to the proposed Line of Building, that a Part of the North Side of the new intended Street may be built on that Part of the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes* which lies within the said Liberty of the Duchy of *Lancaster*; be it therefore enacted, That so many of the Houses, or other Buildings, as shall, according to such Line, be built and front on that Part of the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes* in the Liberty of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, as also the back Part thereof lying within the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes* within the Liberty of *Westminster*, shall be deemed to be within the said Liberty of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, for all and every the Purposes of future Assessments or Payments to the Land Tax, or in any Manner relating thereto: Provided always, that, out of the Sum or Sums of Money so to be assessed for Houses or other Buildings within the said intended new Street, by reason of the Fronts of the same being brought within the said Liberty of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, the Collector of the Land Tax for the said Liberty do and shall, out of the Monies to be raised by such Assessments yearly, pay, or cause to be paid, to the Collector or Collectors of the Land Tax for the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes*, in the City and Liberty of *Westminster*, such Sum or Sums of Money as the Houses or other Buildings, now situate on the North Side of the said *Butcher Row*, (which may, by such Alteration of the Line of Building, become the Back or Part of any such intended House, or other Building), were subject and liable to pay, and did pay, to the said Parish of *Saint Clement Danes*, in the Liberty of *Westminster*, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, according to a Four Shilling Aid for the Land Tax, and so in Proportion, yearly, according to any other Aid or Assessment which shall in future be made for Land Tax.

For preserving the Marks of the Boundary Line of the Duchy Liberty.

XLI. And be it further enacted, That, in all Cases where the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall erect, build, or cause to be erected or built, any House or Building upon the Boundary Line of the said Liberty of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall cause to be made, and preserved, Marks of the Boundary Line of the said Liberty, and shall notify the said Marks, in Writing, to the Steward of the said Liberty, to be inrolled in the Court Books of the said Liberty.

Common Council empowered to appoint Committees.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, from Time to Time, to appoint One or more Committee or Committees, to manage and transact all or any of the Matters or Purposes which they the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, are hereby authorized and required to do, execute, or perform; which Committee or Committees, so to be appointed, shall have such or so much of the Powers and Authorities by this Act given to the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, as the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall think fit or proper to delegate to such Committee or Committees.

Persons interested not eligible on such Committees.

XLIII. Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That if any Person, being a Member of any such Committee, shall be directly or indirectly interested, or concerned, in any Contract which shall be made or entered into by or on Behalf of such Committee, for or concerning any of the Works to be performed or done in pursuance of this Act, or for or concerning any Materials to be used or employed therein, every such Contract shall be void; and the Person, who, being a Member of such Committee, shall be so interested or concerned, shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds to any Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, to be recovered in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, to be commenced within Six Calendar Months next after the Offence committed; in which Action or Suit respectively, no Protection, Essoin, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed.

Persons not free of the City may be employed by Committees.

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That the Committee or Committees so to be appointed shall and may, and they are hereby authorised and empowered, from Time to Time, to employ any fit Person or Persons, whether free of the said City or not, in or about any of the Works, Matters, or Things, which they shall cause to be performed or done by virtue or in pursuance of this Act; and to contract for the Doing and Performance of such Works, Matters, and Things, or any of them, with any Person or Persons, in such Manner as the said Committee or Committees shall think fit; and that no Person or Persons, who shall be so employed or contracted with, in, about, or for, any of the Purposes of this Act, nor any Person or Persons to be set to work by or under them, or any of them, shall, for any Act done, or to be done, in or about the Premises, be subject or liable to any Action, Indictment, or Information, upon the Statute made in the Fifth Year of Her late Majesty Queen *Elizabeth*, intituled, *An Act containing divers Orders for Artificers, Labourers, Servants of Husbandry, and Apprentices*, or be liable to be sued for any Breach of the Custom of *London*, or for any Penalty inflicted by any Bye-Law of the said City.

Directions for giving Notice of Contracts.

XLV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That, previous to the making of any such Contract, Notice shall be given, in some of the Daily Newspapers, that such Committee intend to make such Contract; and that all Persons willing to engage therein may make Proposals to the said Committee at a certain Time and Place in every such Notice to be specified; and all Contracts, made or to be made in consequence of such Notice, shall specify the several Works to be done, and the Price or Prices to be paid for the same, and the Time or Times when the said Works are to be completed, together with the Penalties to be incurred

in caſe of the Non-performance thereof; and the ſame ſhall be ſigned by the Clerk for the Time being of ſuch Committee, as alſo by the Perſon or Perſons contracting to perform ſuch Works reſpectively, and ſhall be entered in a Book or Books, to be kept for that Purpoſe by ſuch Committee.

Recital of an Act 5 and 6 *William* and *Mary*, for raiſing the Orphans Fund.

XLVI. And whereas an Act was made in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of King *William* and Queen *Mary*, intituled, *An Act for Relief of the Orphans and other Creditors of the City of* London, whereby a Fund was eſtabliſhed for the Purpoſes therein mentioned, which ſaid Fund, and the Receipts and Diſburſements thereof, are under the Management and Direction of the Court of Mayor and Aldermen of the ſaid City of *London*: And whereas, by ſeveral Acts, made in the Twenty-firſt and Twenty-ninth Years of King *George* the Second, and in the Seventh and Eighteenth Years of His preſent Majeſty, or by ſome of them, the ſeveral Proviſions for ſupporting the ſaid Fund have been continued and augmented, and further Sums of Money charged thereon, for defraying the Expences of ſeveral publick Works: And whereas the Income of the ſaid Fund has for ſeveral Years paſt ſo much increaſed as to afford a reaſonable Probability that, if the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, were enabled to raiſe the Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds to be applied for the Purpoſes of this Act, upon the Credit of the Surpluſſes to ariſe from the ſaid Fund, ſuch Surpluſſes will be ſufficient to pay off ſuch further Charge as well as the Whole of the Debt and Sums of Money already charged thereon, within the Time for which the ſaid Fund is continued by the Act of the Seventh Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, without the future Aid of the ſaid Annual Sum of Two thouſand Pounds, raiſed upon the Perſonal Eſtates of the ſeveral Inhabitants of the ſaid City and Liberties in purſuance of the ſaid Acts: Be it therefore further enacted, That the Payment of the ſaid Annual Sum of Two thouſand Pounds, annually raiſed upon the Perſonal Eſtates of the ſeveral Inhabitants of the ſaid City of *London* and the Liberties thereof, towards the ſaid Fund called *The Orphans Fund*, and all Powers, Authorities, and Remedies, for recovering and receiving the ſame, ſhall, from and after the Twenty-fourth Day of *June* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-ſix, ceaſe and determine; and ſuch Annual Sum, or any Part thereof, ſhall no longer be paid or payable; and the Reſidue or Surplus only of the ſaid Fund ſhall from thenceforth be deemed and called *The Orphans Fund*; any Thing in the ſaid Acts, herein before mentioned or referred to, or any of them, or in this preſent Act contained, to the contrary in anywiſe notwithſtanding: And that it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, and they are hereby authoriſed and empowered, at any Time or Times from and after the paſſing of this Act, to borrow and raiſe, by Annuities or otherwiſe, the Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds upon the Credit of the ſaid Fund, (over and above the ſeveral Sums of Money heretofore charged, and now remaining due thereon), the ſaid Monies to be paid into the Receipt of the Chamber of the ſaid City of *London* by ſuch Inſtalments, in ſuch Proportions, and at ſuch Times, as the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall direct; and the Perſons who ſhall contract to advance or contribute any Part of the ſaid Monies ſhall, in reſpect of the Sums which they ſhall ſo reſpectively advance, be entitled to Annuities, at ſuch Rates of Intereſt as the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled,

The Annual Sum of 2000*l.* raiſed on Perſonal Eſtates of the Inhabitants of *London* to ceaſe.

Common Council empowered to raiſe a further Sum upon the Credit of the Orphans Fund.

Contributors to be entitled to redeemable Annuities.

bled, shall think reasonable, to commence from such Time or Times as shall be agreed upon, to be payable half-yearly, and to continue until Redemption thereof by Payments of each respective Principal Sum; and that no Part of the Monies so to be lent or advanced, nor any of the said Annuities so to take place in respect thereof, shall be rated or assessed to any Tax or Assessment whatsoever.

Common Council to give Bonds for such Annuities, assignable by Indorsement.

XLVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, shall cause a Bond or Note, or other Security in Writing, under the Common Seal of the said City, to be delivered to every Person advancing any Part of the said Monies, for the Payment of such Annuities, in respect thereof, until redeemed as is herein-after mentioned; which Bonds, Notes, or other Securities, shall be assignable by Indorsement.

The Orphans Fund charged with such Annuities.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Fund called *The Orphans Fund* shall be, and the same is hereby charged and made chargeable with the Annuities which shall be payable in respect of the said Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds to be borrowed and raised under or by virtue of this Act, subject nevertheless, and without Prejudice, to the Payment of the Interest on the Principal Debts remaining due to the Orphans and other Creditors of the said City; and also the several Annuities which are or shall be payable in respect of the several Principal Sums borrowed and raised upon the Credit of the said Fund by the several Acts of Parliament herein-before mentioned or referred to.

Surplusses of the said Fund how to be applied.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That, out of the future Surplusses of the said Fund, so created, continued, and augmented as aforesaid (after) reserving so much Money as shall be sufficient to satisfy the Interest due, and which shall at any Time be due, to the Orphans and other Creditors of the said City, as also to satisfy the Interest due, and which shall at any Time be due, on the several other Principal Sums borrowed and raised by or under the said several Acts of Parliament herein-before mentioned or referred to), the said Annuites, in respect of the said Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds to be borrowed and raised under and by virtue of this Act, shall be paid from Time to Time as the same shall grow due, before any Part of such Surplusses shall be otherwise applied, as by the said Act of the Seventh Year of His present Majesty is directed; and that the Residue of such Surplusses, after such Payments as by the said several Acts are directed to be made out of the same shall be paid and satisfied, shall, from Time to Time, by Order of the Court of Mayor and Aldermen of the said City of *London*, (which Order the said Court are hereby authorized and directed to make), be, by the Chamberlain of the said City for the Time being, applied towards the Redemption of all and singular the Annuities to be payable in respect of the said Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds, in such Order as the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen shall think fit.

Upon Notice of Redemption and Tender of the Money, Annuities to cease;

L. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Court of Mayor and Aldermen shall give, or cause to be given, Six Calendar Months Notice of their Intention to pay off such Annuities, to be granted in respect of the said Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds, to the Person or Persons to whom the same shall respectively belong; at the End of which Six Calendar Months, upon Payment or Tender of the respective Sums for which such Annuities shall have been granted,

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to or for the Perſon or Perſons then entitled thereto, at the Office of the Chamberlain of the ſaid City for the Time being, in the *Guildhall* of the ſame City, the Annuity and Annuities payable to ſuch Perſon or Perſons reſpectively, ſhall ceaſe and determine; nevertheleſs the Monies ſo tendered ſhall be paid to ſuch Perſon or Perſons, upon his, her, or their Demand, and giving a Diſcharge for the ſame. but the Principal to be ſtill payable.

LI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if the Surpluſſes of the ſaid Fund, charged with the Annuities which ſhall be payable in reſpect of the ſaid Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, ſhall at any Time or Times hereafter prove inſufficient to pay off and diſcharge the ſame, then, and in every ſuch Caſe, and ſo often as the ſame ſhall happen, the Sum, which ſhall be wanting to complete the Payment and Diſcharge of ſuch Annuities, ſhall be advanced and paid out of the Chamber of the ſaid City, and be made good and ſupplied out of the future Surpluſſes of the ſaid Fund. Deficiencies to be paid out of the Chamber of *London*.

LII. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, ſo to be raiſed and borrowed as aforeſaid, ſhall be applied for or towards the Purpoſes of this Act; and that no Part thereof ſhall be applicable, or applied, to or for any other Uſe, Intent, or Purpoſe whatſoever; and, if any Surplus ſhall remain of the ſaid Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds over and above what ſhall be applied to the Purpoſes aforeſaid, ſuch Surplus ſhall be applied and appropriated for or towards the Increaſe of the ſaid Orphans Fund. The Money borrowed to be applied only for the Purpoſes of this Act; and if any Surplus, to be applied to increaſe the Fund.

LIII. And be it further enacted, That the Chamberlain of the ſaid City for the Time being ſhall enter in a Book, or Books, to be kept for that Purpoſe, all Securities for Monies borrowed, or Annuities granted, in purſuance of this Act, and all Aſſignments and Tranſfers thereof, expreſſing in Words at length the Names, Surnames, Additions, Places of Abode, and other Deſcriptions, of all ſuch Perſons as ſhall from Time to Time be entitled to ſuch Securities, and the Sums received upon ſuch Securities, and the Days whereon the ſaid Annuities reſpectively ſhall be payable; to which Book and Books all and every Perſon and Perſons entitled to or intereſted in ſuch Annuities, ſhall at all ſeaſonable Times, in the Day-time, have Acceſs, with free Liberty to inſpect the ſame, without Fee or Reward. Securities to be entered in Books.

LIV. And be it further enacted, That, from Time to Time, there ſhall alſo be provided and kept, by the Chamberlain of the ſaid City for the Time being, One or more Book or Books, in which all the Monies which, by virtue of this Act, ſhall be raiſed or borrowed upon the Credit of the ſaid Fund, ſhall from Time to Time, as the ſame ſhall be received, be entered and ſet down, and wherein alſo all the Monies to be paid and diſburſed out of the Monies to be received ſhall from Time to Time be entered and ſet down; and ſuch Entry ſhall expreſs the Time when, the Occaſions for which, and the Names of the Perſons to whom, the ſame ſhall be ſo paid. Chamberlain to keep Accounts of Receipts and Diſburſements.

LV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, or ſuch Committee or Committees as ſhall or may be appointed as herein-before is directed, and they are hereby authorized and empowered reſpectively, from Time to Time, to nominate Common Council empowered to appoint Officers,

nominate and appoint ſuch and ſo many Clerks and other Officers under them, as ſhall be neceſſary to be employed in or about the Execution of all or any of the Purpoſes aforeſaid; and out of the ſaid Monies to be raiſed by virtue and in purſuance of this Act, to make ſuch Allowances to the ſaid Clerks and Officers reſpectively, for their Care and Pains in the Execution of their reſpective Offices, as they ſhall think reaſonable; any Thing herein-before contained to the contrary thereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

and allow them Salaries.

Officers concerned in the Receipt of Money to give Security.

LVI. And be it further enacted, That all and every Officer and Officers, or other Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, concerned or to be concerned in the Receipt of the Money by this Act appropriated to the Purpoſes aforeſaid, before he or they ſhall be permitted to take upon him or them the Execution of any of the ſaid Offices, ſhall be bound with ſufficient Sureties to the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, for the juſt and faithful Execution of ſuch Office or Employment, in ſuch reaſonable Sum or Sums as by the Court of Mayor and Aldermen of the ſaid City ſhall be thought fitting, having Regard to the Truſt repoſed or to be repoſed in ſuch Officer or Officers.

Penalty on Officers miſapplying any of the ſaid Monies.

LVII. And be it further enacted, That if any Chamberlain of the ſaid City of *London*, or other Officer or Perſon aforeſaid, ſhall, after Receipt of any of the Monies aforeſaid, divert or miſapply the ſame, or any Part thereof, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, then ſuch Chamberlain, or other Officer or Perſon aforeſaid, ſo diverting or miſapplying the ſaid Money, ſhall forfeit Treble the Sum ſo miſapplied, with full Coſts of Suit; which ſaid Forfeitures ſhall be recovered by any of the Creditors of the ſaid City claiming under or by virtue of any of the ſaid Acts herein-before mentioned, or by the Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns, of any of them, who ſhall ſue for the ſame, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record, wherein no Eſſoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, ſhall be allowed.

City anſwerable in caſe of any Miſapplication.

LVIII. And be it further enacted, That if the ſaid Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, or any Part thereof, ſhall happen to be miſapplied or converted to any other Uſe than as aforeſaid, by the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, by the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of *London*, for the Time being, or any of their Officers, or any other Perſon or Perſons, acting under Colour of any Warrant, Power, or Authority, by, from, or under them reſpectively, then, and in ſuch Caſe, the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens ſhall be anſwerable for the ſame out of the Revenue of the ſaid Corporation, in any Action to be brought by any of the ſaid Creditors, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns; which ſaid Sum and Sums ſo recovered, ſhall be applied to the ſame Uſes as the ſame Sums (if not miſapplied) ſhould or might have been, except that the Coſts of Suit ſhall be deducted and retained thereout in the Firſt Place, for the Benefit of him, her, or them, ſo ſuing.

Diſburſements to be included in the Chamberlain's Annual Accounts.

LIX. And be it further enacted, That in the Annual Account, in and by the ſaid Act of the Seventh Year of His preſent Majeſty, directed to be by the Chamberlain of the ſaid City of *London*, for the Time being, laid before each Houſe of Parliament, as by the laſt mentioned Act is

directed, ſhall be included an Account of the Diſburſements of the ſaid Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, or of ſo much thereof as ſhall then have been raiſed and borrowed.

This Act not to affect any of the City's preſent Creditors.

LX. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained ſhall extend to leſſen or affect the Security of any of the preſent Creditors of the ſaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, further or otherwiſe than is herein expreſsly directed and enacted.

Improvements to be carried into Effect within Ten Years.

LXI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if the ſaid Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council aſſembled, ſhall not, within the Space of Ten Years next after paſſing this Act, carry into Effect, do, and complete, the ſeveral Objects and Purpoſes of this Act, within the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes*, which they are authorized to do by virtue of this Act within the ſame Pariſh, that then and in ſuch Caſe this Act, and all the Powers and Authority thereby given ſhall from thenceforth ceaſe and determine, ſo far as reſpects the ſaid Pariſh of *Saint Clement Danes*.

Expences of this Act how to be paid.

LXII. And be it further enacted, That the Expences of obtaining and paſſing this Act, ſhall and may be paid out of the Monies to be raiſed and received under or by virtue of this Act.

Penalties and Forfeitures how to be recovered and applied.

LXIII. And it is hereby further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures by this Act impoſed, (the Manner of recovering and levying whereof is not hereby otherwiſe particularly directed), ſhall be recovered and levied by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Offenders Goods and Chattels, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, of One or more Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, of the County, City, or Place, where the Offence ſhall be committed, or the Offender found; which Warrant ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices are hereby empowered and required to grant, upon the Confeſſion of the Party or Parties, or upon Information of One or more credible Witneſs or Witneſſes upon Oath, (which Oath ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices is and are hereby empowered to adminiſter), and ſuch Penalties and Forfeitures when recovered, after rendering the Overplus (if any be) upon Demand to the Party or Parties whoſe Goods and Chattels ſhall be diſtrained and ſold, (the Charges of ſuch Diſtreſs and Sale being firſt deducted), ſhall be paid to the Chamberlain of the ſaid City for the Time being, and be applied, One Half to the Informer, and the other Half towards the Purpoſes of this Act; and in caſe ſufficient Diſtreſs ſhall not be found, then it ſhall and may be lawful to and for any ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices to commit ſuch Offender to the Houſe of Correction, without Bail or Mainprize, for any Space of Time not exceeding Sixty Days.

Diſtreſs not to be deemed unlawful for Want of Form.

LXIV. And be it further enacted, That where any Diſtreſs 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, Default, or Want of Form, in any Proceeding relating thereto; nor ſhall the Party or Parties be deemed a Treſpaſſer or Treſpaſſers *ab initio*, 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 ſpecial Damage by Action on the Caſe.

LXV. And

Proceedings not to be quashed for Want of Form.

LXV. And be it further enacted, That no 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 or removeable by *Certiorari*, or any other Writ or Process whatsoever, into any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster* (except as herein-before mentioned); any Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

Act of 24 *Geo.* II. for rendering Justices of the Peace more safe in the Execution of their Office extended to this Act.

LXVI. And be it further enacted, That the Statute made in the Twenty-fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for the rendering Justices of the Peace more safe in the Execution of their Office, and for indemnifying Constables and others acting in Obedience to their Warrants*, so far as the said Act relates to rendering Justices of the Peace more safe in the Execution of their Office, shall extend, and be construed to extend, to the said Mayor, Aldermen and Justices, respectively, acting under the Authority of this Act; and

Limitation of Actions.

no Action or Suit shall be commenced against any Person or Persons for any Thing done in pursuance or under Colour of this Act, until Fourteen Days Notice shall be thereof given in Writing to, or after sufficient Satisfaction or Tender thereof hath been made to the Party or Parties aggrieved, or after Six Calendar Months next after the Fact committed, for which such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall be so brought; and every such Action shall be brought, laid, and tried, in the City or County where the Cause of Action shall arise, and not elsewhere; and that the Defendant or Defendants in such Actions or Suits, and every

General Issue.

of them, may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the special Matter in Evidence, at any Trial or Trials which shall be had thereupon, and that the Matter or Thing, for which such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall be so brought, was done in pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if the said Matter or Thing shall appear to have been so done, or if it shall appear that such Action or Suit was brought before Fourteen Days Notice given as aforesaid, and that a 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 the Jury or Juries shall find for the Defendant or Defendants therein; and if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, in such Action or Actions, Suit or Suits, shall become nonsuited, or suffer a Discontinuance thereof, or if Judgement shall be given for the Defendant or Defendants therein, then, and in any of the Cases aforesaid, such Defendant or Defendants

Treble Costs.

shall have Treble Costs, and shall have such Remedy for recovering the same, as any Defendant or Defendants hath or have for Costs in other Cases by Law.

Publick Act.

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

FINIS.