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An Act for veſting certain Glebe Lands belonging to the Rectory of the Pariſh Church of *Saint Chriſtopher* in the City of *London*, in the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, and for making a Recompence to the Rector of the ſaid Pariſh and his Succeſſors in lieu thereof; and for obviating certain Doubts in an Act paſſed in the Thirty third Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty, for widening certain Streets, Lanes, and Paſſages, within the City of *London*.

WHEREAS the Glebe belonging to the Rectory of the Pariſh Church of Saint Chriſtopher, London, conſiſts of certain Sheds, lett to Tenants at Will at Ten Pounds Ten Shillings a Year, and of Four Houſes lett for a Term of Forty Years, at the Rent of Twenty four Pounds a Year, which has been uſually renewed every Fourteen Years, upon Payment of Sixty Pounds Fine; which Rents and Fine, together with all the Tithes, are computed upon an Average to produce Forty Pounds Fourteen Shillings a Year: And whereas the Parſonage Houſe, Garden, and Preamble.

Yard belonging to the said Rectory, together with certain small Acknowledgements paid by the Owners or Occupiers of adjacent Houses for Permission of Lights into the said Garden and Yard, is estimated at the yearly Value of Forty Pounds: And whereas all the aforesaid Premisses are contiguous to the Bank Edifice, and the vesting the same absolutely in the Governor and Company of the Bank of England will be of great publick Utility, by enabling the said Governor and Company to enlarge the Edifice called The Bank of *England*, and will more effectually preserve the same from the Danger of Fire; and will likewise enable the said Governor and Company to widen the Street called Threadneedle Street, so as to render the same more commodious for the Passage of Carriages: And whereas the Right Reverend Father in God Richard Lord Bishop of London is, in Right of his said See, seised of the perpetual Advowson of, and Right of Presentation to, the said Rectory of the said Parish Church of Saint Christopher; and Sherlock Willis, Clerk, is the present Rector of the said Parish Church: And whereas the Governor and Company of the Bank of England have proposed to pay to the said Sherlock Willis and his Successors, Rectors of the said Parish for the time being, the clear yearly Sum of Forty Pounds Fourteen Shillings for ever, in lieu of and in Exchange for the said Glebe and Tithes, and the further clear yearly Sum of Seven Pounds for ever, in lieu of and as a Satisfaction for all future Surplice Fees, and also the further clear yearly Sum of Forty Pounds, until they shall, at their own proper Costs and Charges provide a proper and suitable Parsonage House, to the Satisfaction of the Ordinary, Patron, and Rector for the time being, and settle and convey the same for that Purpose according to due Course of Law; such Payments to commence and grow due from the Time of vesting the Premisses in the said Governor and Company, and to be paid by Quarterly Payments, clear of all Deductions for or on account of Parliamentary or other Taxes, or otherwise howsoever; and the said Governor and Company have also proposed to pay unto the Lecturer of the said Parish for the time being the yearly Sum of Three Pounds Three Shillings for ever, in lieu of any Loss such Lecturer may probably sustain by reducing the Number of Houses in the said Parish: And whereas such Proposal is greatly for the Benefit and Advantage of the said Rectory; but forasmuch as the same cannot be effected and carried into Execution without the Aid and Assistance of an Act

of Parliament; therefore your Majesty's most dutiful Subject, the said Sherlock Willis, doth most humbly beseech your most Excellent 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 said Glebe, Sheds, Messuages, Tenements, and other the Premisses, with the Appurtenances belonging to the said Rectory, and also the said Parsonage House, Garden, and Yard, with the Appurtenances belonging to the said Rectory, and all Benefit and Advantage arising from the said Premisses, or from any Part thereof, together with the Tithes or yearly Sums of Money, or customary Payments in lieu of Tithes, charged upon the aforesaid Premisses, or on any Part thereof, shall, from and after the passing of this Act, be vested in, and the same are hereby from thenceforth vested in and to the Use of the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England, and their Successors and Assigns for ever, freed and discharged, and absolutely exempted and exonerated of, from, and against, all Titles, Claims, and Demands whatsoever, of them the said Right Reverend Father in God Richard Lord Bishop of London, and Sherlock Willis, and their respective Successors, the Patrons, or Ordinaries, and Rectors, for the time being, of the said Parish Church of Saint Christopher aforesaid, for ever.

The Glebe, Parsonage House, and Premisses, belonging to the Rectory of *St. Christopher*, vested in the Governor and Company of the Bank;

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That One yearly Rent or Sum of Forty seven Pounds Fourteen Shillings of lawful Money of Great Britain, in lieu of the said Glebe and Tithes, and also in lieu of and as a Satisfaction for the said Surplice Fees, shall, from and after the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and sixty five, be payable and paid by the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England, their Successors and Assigns, to the said Sherlock Willis and his Successors, Rectors for the time being of the said Parish of Saint Christopher, for ever; and One other yearly Rent or Sum of Forty Pounds of like lawful Money of Great Britain, shall, from and after the said Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and sixty five, be payable and paid by the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England, their Successors and Assigns, to the said Sherlock Willis and his Successors, Rectors for the time being of the said Parish Church of

in Consideration whereof, and in lieu of Surplice Fees, *&c.* they are to allow the Rector and his Successors certain annual Sums.

Saint Christopher aforesaid, for and during such Time and until they the said Governor and Company, their Successors or Assigns, shall at their own proper Costs and Charges find and provide a proper and suitable Parsonage House, to the reasonable Satisfaction of the Bishop of London, and of the Rector of the said Parish Church of Saint Christopher for the time being, and shall cause the same to be settled and conveyed for that Purpose in due Form of Law.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said several yearly Rents or Sums of Forty seven Pounds Fourteen Shillings, and Forty Pounds, shall be charged upon and be issuing out of the Ground lately purchased by the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England, on the West Side of a new Street intended to be made from Cornhill to Threadneedle-street, and out of all and every the Messuages and Tenements which shall be erected by the said Governor and Company thereon, and shall be payable and paid to the said Sherlock Willis and his Successors, the Rectors for the time being of the said Parish Church of Saint Christopher, in manner aforesaid, free from all Deductions for or in respect of any Taxes, Charges, or Assessments, Parliamentary or otherwise, or other Cause, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, that may charge or affect the Premises, or any Part thereof, out of which the said several Annuities or yearly Rent-charges are to issue; the said several annual Sums or yearly Rents to be paid at or in the Office of the Secretary to the said Governor and Company for the time being, on the Feasts of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, Saint Michael the Archangel, the Birth of our Lord Christ, and the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, in every Year, by equal Portions; the First Payment thereof to begin and be made at or upon the Feast of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and sixty three.

which are to be paid Quarterly, free of all Deductions and Charges;

the First Payment to be made on 24 June, 1763

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if the said several yearly Rents of Forty seven Pounds Fourteen Shillings, and Forty Pounds, payable as aforesaid, or any of them, or any Part thereof, shall be behind and unpaid by the Space of Twenty eight Days next after any of the Feasts or Days herein before limited or appointed for the Payment thereof (being first lawfully demanded at the Place aforesaid, within the usual Time of Attendance there) then and so often it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Sher-

and the said Rents may be levied by Distress, in case of Nonpayment for 28 Days;

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lock Willis, his Successors, Rectors for the time being of the said Parish Church of Saint Christopher, to enter into and distrain upon the Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments hereby charged with the same, and the Distress and Distresses then and there found to take, carry away, and impound, and otherwise dispose of, according to Law, until the said several yearly Rents, and all Arrears thereof, and all Costs and Charges attending such Entry and Distress, shall be fully paid, satisfied, and discharged; and also, that if the said several yearly Rents of Forty seven Pounds Fourteen Shillings, and Forty Pounds, or any of them, or any Part thereof, shall be behind and unpaid for the Space of Forty Days next after the Feasts or Days of Payment hereby in that Behalf appointed for Payment thereof (the same being first lawfully demanded as aforesaid) then and so often it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Sherlock Willis and his Successors, Rectors for the time being of the said Parish Church of Saint Christopher, to enter into and upon all, and every, or any Part or Parts of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, hereby charged with the said several yearly Rents, and to hold and enjoy the same Premisses, and to take and receive the Rents, Issues, and Profits thereof, to and for his and their own Use and Benefit, until thereby, or otherwise, all Arrears of the said several Annuities or yearly Rents then grown due, and that during such Possession shall grow due, and all Costs, Charges, and Expences, attending such Entry upon, and Perception of the Rents and Profits of the said Premisses, shall be fully satisfied and paid.

and on Default of Payment for 40 Days, then the Premisses may be entered upon,

and the Rents and Issues thereof received.

Provided always, That when and so soon as the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England shall, at their own proper Costs and Charges, have found and provided a proper and suitable Parsonage House, to the Satisfaction of the Ordinary, Patron, and Rector, for the time being of the said Parish Church of Saint Christopher, to be signified in Writing under their respective Hands and Seals, and to be registered in the Consistorial Court of the Bishop of London, and shall have caused the same to be settled and conveyed for that Purpose according to due Form of Law, that then, and from thenceforth, the said Annuity or yearly Rent of Forty Pounds shall cease, determine, and be absolutely void, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, and the Premisses herein before charged therewith shall from thenceforth stand freed and discharged therefrom;

When the Bank shall have provided a proper and suitable Parsonage House, the Annuity payable in respect thereof is to cease.

any thing herein before contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

A certain Sum is also to be paid annually to the Lecturer,

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a clear Annuity or yearly Sum of Three Pounds Three Shillings of lawful Money of Great Britain, shall, from and after the said Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and sixty five, be paid by the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England, their Successors and Assigns, to the Lecturer of the said Parish of Saint Christopher for the time being, when and so long as there shall be a Lecturer of the said Parish, in lieu of any Loss such Lecturer may probably sustain by the Diminution of the Contribution for supporting of such Lecturer within the said Parish of Saint Christopher; the said Annuity or clear yearly Sum of Three Pounds Three Shillings to be paid at or in the Office of the Secretary to the said Governor and Company for the time being, on the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel, and the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, in every Year, by equal Payments; the First Payment thereof to begin and be made on the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and sixty five.

Half-yearly;

the First Payment to be made on 29 *Sept.* 1765;

and the same may be recovered by Action of Debt, in case of Nonpayment.

And in case the same shall not be paid, when and as the same shall grow due as aforesaid, it is hereby enacted and declared, That the same shall and may be recovered in and by an Action of Debt, to be brought by the said Lecturer for the time being, his Executors or Administrators, against the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England, as if the same were a Debt upon Specialty; in which Action it shall be sufficient for the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs to declare, that the said Governor and Company are indebted to him or them in the Sum for which such Action shall be brought.

Recital of Clause in Act 33 *Geo.* II.

And whereas in and by an Act of Parliament made and passed in the Thirty third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for widening certain Streets, Lanes, and Passages, within the City of *London* and Liberties thereof, and for opening certain new Streets and Ways within the same, and for other Purposes therein mentioned; the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the City of London, in Common Council assembled, or any Person or Persons by them in that Behalf authorized or appointed, were, or were intended to be, impowered, among other Things, to treat and agree with the Owners and Occupiers of, and all other Persons interested in, the

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House at the West End of the Building situate between Cornhill and Threadneedle Street, and opposite to the South End of Princes Street; and also the Houses on the South Side of Threadneedle Street, extending from the House before mentioned Eastward, till it reaches to that Part of the Street which is opposite to the Bank Gates, and to pull down the said first mentioned House, and lay the Ground into the Street, and to pull down the said other Houses, and to enlarge the Passage there to Thirty five Feet in Width: And in case of the Refusal or Disability of the Persons seised, possessed of, or interested in, such Houses; the Court of Mayor and Aldermen were impowered to direct the Sheriffs of the said City to impanel a Jury to enquire of the Value of the said Houses and Buildings in Manner therein mentioned; and upon Payment of such Value in Money in Manner in the said Act directed, the Person or Persons to whom the same should be awarded, were to make and execute, or procure to be made and executed, to the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or to such Person and Persons as the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, in Common Council assembled, should appoint, with further Provisions in case such Person or Persons should refuse to convey, or should not be able to evince their Title to the Premisses: But whereas divers Doubts have arisen whether the Schedules annexed to the said recited Act are well and sufficiently referred to in and by the Body of the said Act, and whether all the Houses aforesaid are sufficiently and properly described in the Second Schedule annexed to the same Act, inasmuch only as it hath been alledged that One or more of the said Houses are in some other Ward than that under which the same are in the said Schedule described, and also in what Manner the said Thirty five Feet in Breadth are to be computed? And whereas the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, have agreed with the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, to take upon themselves the Expence of carrying the said recited Act into Execution, so far as relates to the Premisses herein before mentioned; and to advance the Purchase-money directed by the said recited Act, together with the necessary Expences of carrying the same into Execution in that Behalf; and in Consideration thereof, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the said City, in Common Council assembled, have agreed that all the said several Houses shall be conveyed to the said Governor and Company for the Purposes in the said recited Act mentioned: But forasmuch as the

said Agreement hath not been yet carried into Execution, although the same would be of great publick Utility, but the carrying the same into Execution hath been prevented by the said Doubts; for obviating and removing all the said Doubts, be it enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the said several Houses quite through to Cornhill, were meant and intended, and are hereby declared to be included within the Powers of the said recited Act.

The several Houses and Premises before described, declared to be included within the Powers of the recited Act.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That to prevent Annoyances and Inconveniencies to Carriages and Passengers passing and repassing to and from the Royal Exchange, and also to prevent any Obstruction in carrying the Intentions of this Act into Execution; no Coachman or Driver shall, from and after the passing of this Act, stand or ply for Hire, with any Coach or other Carriage whatsoever, in Threadneedle Street, nor in that Part of Cornhill, which is between Freeman's Court and the West End of Cornhill, nor shall any such Coachman or Driver leave any empty Coach or Carriage in any of those Places; and that no Carman, Carter, Drayman, or Driver of any Carriage whatsoever for Hire, shall wilfully remain with any Cart, Carr, Dray, Waggon, or other Carriage whatsoever, in any of those Places longer than shall be necessary for going through the same, and taking in and delivering out his Loading, or taking up or setting down his Fare, nor leave any empty Cart, Dray, or other Carriage, in any of the said Places; and that no Person shall put any Filth, Dung, Ashes, or Rubbish, in any of the said Places, nor do any Act which may be any Annoyance there; and if any Coachman, Carman, Carter, Drayman, Waggoner, or Driver, shall offend herein, or any Person shall annoy any Part of the said Places, by putting or leaving any Filth, Dung, Ashes, or Rubbish, there, or otherwise, it shall and may be lawful for any Person or Persons to apprehend and take, or cause to be apprehended and taken, every such Person or Persons so offending, before the Mayor of the City of London, or some other Justice of the Peace for the said City; and every such Offender, being of any of the said Offences convicted by the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, before the Mayor or any other such Justice, or by his or her Confession, shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay a Sum not exceeding Twenty Shillings, nor less than Ten Shillings, to go to and be applied between the Parties informing against and apprehending every such Offender and Offenders, as the

Power given to apprehend and carry before the Mayor, or some other Justice, all Hackney Coachmen, Draymen, Carters, and others, occasioning any Obstruction and Annoyance in *Threadneedle Street*, or between *Freeman's Court* and the West End of *Cornhill*;

who are liable to forfeit, on Conviction, not exceeding 20*s.* nor less than 10*s.*

the Mayor or Justice, before whom the Party or Parties offending shall be convicted, shall direct; and in Default of immediate Payment thereof, the Offender or Offenders shall be committed by the Mayor or Justice, before whom he, she, or they were convicted, to the London Workhouse, or such other House of Correction, as the said Mayor or Justice shall in his Discretion think fit, there to be kept to hard Labour for any Time not exceeding One Month, as the Mayor or such Justice shall think fit to order, or until he, she, or they, shall have paid the Money directed by the Mayor or such Justice to be paid; and that from and after the said Street called Threadneedle Street shall be enlarged pursuant to the Directions in this present Act, and in the said recited Act mentioned, it shall and may be lawful for all Carriages to pass through Threadneeedle Street from the West End of the said Street on the North Side thereof; any thing contained in a certain Act of Parliament made and passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act to enable the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* to purchase Houses and Ground for Opening a Passage from *Cornhill* to the Bank; and making more commodious several other Passages leading thereto; and for enlarging the Buildings of the said Bank, and making the same more commodious, notwithstanding.

and on Non-payment, may be committed to hard Labour for 1 Month.

After *Threadneedle Street* is enlarged, Carriages are to have a free Passage through.

Saving always to the King's most Excellent Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, and to all and every other Person and Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, and his, her, and their Heirs and Successors, Executors, and Administrators, respectively (other than the said Right Reverend Father in God Richard Lord Bishop of London, and the said Sherlock Willis, and their several Successors, the Ordinaries, Patrons, and Rectors, for the time being, of the said Parish Church of Saint Christopher) all such Estate, Right, Title, and Interest, as they, every, or any of them, had and enjoyed, of, in, to, or out of, the said Rectory, Tithes, and Premisses, in the said Parish of Saint Christopher, before the making of this Act, or could or might have had or enjoyed, in case this Act had never been made.

Reservation of Rights.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act shall be deemed a Publick Act; and shall be taken Notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and all other Persons whatsoever, without specially pleading the same.

Publick Act.

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