Anno ſeptimo

Georgii III. Regis.

An Act to enlarge the Term and Powers of Two Acts paſſed in the Thirteenth Year of King *George* the Firſt, and the Seventeenth of His late Majeſty, for repairing the Road from *Cranford Bridge*, in the County of *Middleſex*, to that End of *Maidenhead Bridge* which lies in the County of *Bucks*; and for amending the Road from *Slough*, to a certain Place in *Eton*, and from *Langley Broom*, to *Datchet Bridge*, in the County of *Buckingham*.

WHEREAS an Act was made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of King George the Firſt, intituled, An Act for repairing the Road from *Cranford Bridge*, in the County of *Middleſex*, to that End of *Maidenhead Bridge* which lies in the County of *Bucks*, which was to continue in Force for Twenty one Years: And whereas an Act was made in the Seventeenth Year of the Reign of his late Majeſty King George the Second, for continuing and enlarging the Term and Powers of the ſaid former Act, whereby the ſame was further continued for the Term of Twenty one Years, and to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament: And whereas great Sums of Money have been expended in repairing the ſaid Road, a conſiderable Part of which is now due and owing, but cannot be Preamble.

repaid, and the said Road kept in good Repair for the future, unless the Terms of the said Acts are further continued: And whereas it would be an Advantage to the said Road, if some Alteration was made in the Powers of the said Acts: And whereas the Road from the Town of Slough, in the County of Buckingham, to the House now inhabited by Roger Cutler, in the Town of Eton, in the said County, except the Bridges called Long Bridge and Barnes Pool Bridge; and also the Road from Billing's Well Lane at Langley Broom, to Datchet Bridge, in the Road to Windsor in the said County, are much out of Repair, and narrow in some Parts, and cannot be effectually amended and kept in Repair by the ordinary Course of Law; May it therefore please Your Majesty, that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said recited Acts made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of King George the First, and in the Seventeenth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, except so far as the same are hereby altered, shall be, and the same are hereby further continued from the Expiration thereof, and also of the additional Term granted by an Act made in the Twenty eighth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act to amend an Act made in the Twenty sixth Year of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the Amendment and Preservation of the Publick Highways and Turnpike Roads of this Kingdom, and for the more effectual Execution of the Laws relating thereto*, for and during the further Term of Twenty one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; which said additional Term hereby granted, shall be subject to the Payment of all Sums of Money now due and owing upon the Credit of the said former Acts, or either of them, and of such other Sum and Sums of Money as shall be borrowed for the Purposes of the said former Acts, or either of them, or of this Act, and the Interest due and to grow due on the same; and the said Acts shall from and after the passing of this Act extend to, and be executed as well for the Intents and Purposes in the said former Acts mentioned, as for amending, widening, and keeping in Repair, the said additional Roads herein before mentioned and described, in as full and ample a Manner, as if the said Acts were herein again repeated and re-enacted.

The recited Acts further continued for 21 Years.

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And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Right Honourable Charles Spencer, commonly called Lord Charles Spencer; Sir John Gibbons Baronet, Knight of the moſt Honourable Order of the Bath; Edward Wills, William Bowyer, Thomas Pattle, Henry Plant, Stephen Popham, William Laſcelles, Francis Pierpoint Burton, Henry Corker, Eſquires; the Reverend Maſter John Lightfoot, ſhall, from and immediately after the paſſing of this Act, be added to, and joined with, the Truſtees appointed or to be appointed to put the ſaid former Acts in Execution; and that the Truſtees hereby appointed, and the Survivors of them, together with the Truſtees appointed by or in purſuance of the ſaid former Acts, or either of them, ſhall, and they are hereby authorized and impowered to put the ſaid former Acts, and this preſent Act, in Execution. Additional Truſtees Names.

Provided nevertheleſs, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no Perſon ſhall be capable of acting as a Truſtee in the Execution of the ſaid former Acts, or either of them, or of this Act, unleſs he ſhall be in his own Right, or in Right of his Wife, in the actual Poſſeſſion, or Receipt of the Rents and Profits, of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, of the clear yearly Value of Fifty Pounds above Reprizes; or poſſeſſed of a Perſonal Eſtate of the Value of One thouſand Pounds; or ſhall be Heir Apparent of a Perſon poſſeſſed of an Eſtate in Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, of the clear yearly Value of One hundred Pounds: And if any Perſon, not being ſo qualified, ſhall preſume to act in the Truſts aforeſaid, or either of them, every ſuch Perſon ſhall, for every ſuch Offence, forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds to any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall ſue for the ſame; to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of his Majeſty's Courts of Record at Weſtminſter, wherein no Eſſoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, ſhall be allowed; and the Perſon ſo proſecuted ſhall prove that he is qualified as aforeſaid, or otherwiſe ſhall pay the ſaid Penalty without any other Proof or Evidence on the Part of the Proſecutor, than that ſuch Perſon hath acted as a Truſtee in the Execution of the ſaid Acts, or One of them, or of this Act. Qualification of Truſtees.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, ſhall cauſe the ſaid Road from Slough to the Houſe now inhabited by Roger Cutler in the Town of Eton, except the Bridges called Long Bridge and Barnes Pool Bridge, *Eton* Road to be firſt repaired.

to be well and compleatly amended in the firſt Place; and that the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, provided the Truſt ſhall be able, may then proceed to the Amendment of the ſaid Road from Billing's Well Lane at Langley Broom to Datchet Bridge.

Proviſion repealed.

And whereas by the ſaid recited Act made in the Thirteenth Year of His Majeſty King George the Firſt, it is provided, that no Perſon or Perſons having Occaſion to paſs the Place or Places where the Toll or Duty is taken, and ſhall return the ſame Day before Ten of the Clock at Night, between the Twenty fifth Day of March and the Twenty ninth Day of September, and before Nine of the Clock at Night during the other Part of the Year, with the ſame Horſe, Aſs, Mule, Cattle, Coach, Berlin, Chariot, Chaiſe, Chair, Waggon, Car, Cart, or other Carriage, ſhall be liable or compelled the ſame Day to pay the ſaid Toll or Duty a ſecond Time; be it therefore further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Proviſion ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby, repealed.

Tolls to be paid but Once a Day.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no Perſon ſhall be liable to pay Toll more than Once for paſſing and repaſſing at any Time or Times in any One Day, to be computed from Twelve of the Clock in One Night to Twelve of the Clock in the ſucceeding Night, with the ſame Cattle and Carriage through any Gate or Turnpike erected, or to be erected, by virtue of the ſaid former Acts, or either of them, or of this Act.

Treaſurer to give Security.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Truſtees ſhall and they are hereby required to take ſuch Security from their Treaſurer or Treaſurers, as to the ſaid Truſtees, or any Five or more of them, ſhall appear reaſonable.

No Victualler, &c. to hold any Place of Profit.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no Victualler, or Retailer of Ale, Beer, or Spirituous Liquors, ſhall be capable of holding any Place of Profit under the ſaid former Acts, or either of them, or this Act.

Charges of this Act how to be paid.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Charges and Expences of obtaining and paſſing this Act, ſhall be paid out of the Money raiſed, or to be raiſed, by virtue of the ſaid former Acts, or this Act.

Limitation of Actions.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Action or Suit ſhall be commenced againſt any Perſon or Perſons for any Thing done in purſuance of this Act, the ſame ſhall be commenced within

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Six Calendar Months next after the Fact committed, and not afterwards; and ſhall be laid or brought in the ſaid Counties of Middleſex or Bucks, as the Caſe may be, and not elſewhere; and the Defendant or Defendants in ſuch Action or Suit ſhall and may plead the General Iſſue, and give this Act and the Special Matter in Evidence at any Trial to be had thereupon, and that the ſame was done in purſuance and by the Authority of this Act: And if it ſhall appear ſo to be done, or that ſuch Action or Suit was commenced after the Time before limited for bringing the ſame, or ſhall be brought in any other County or Place, that then the Jury ſhall find for the Defendant or Defendants; and upon a Verdict for the Defendant or Defendants, or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs ſhall be nonſuited, or diſcontinue his, her, or their Action or Suit, after the Defendant or Defendants ſhall have appeared; or if upon Demurrer Judgement ſhall be given againſt the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, the Defendant or Defendants ſhall and may recover Treble Coſts, and have the like Remedy for the ſame as any Defendant or Defendants hath or have in other Caſes by Law. General Iſſue. Treble Coſts.

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

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