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An Act for veſting certain Lands and Hereditaments in Truſtees, for further promoting the Service of His Majeſty's Ordnance at *Woolwich*.

[7th *April* 1803.]

WHEREAS by an Act, made in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, *An Act for veſting certain Lands and Hereditaments in Truſtees for promoting the Service of His Majeſty's Ordnance at* Woolwich, certain Lands and Hereditaments therein mentioned were veſted in the Right Honourable *Charles Abbot*, Sir *Edward Knatchbull* Baronet, and *Filmer Honywood* Eſquire, and their Heirs, in Truſt nevertheleſs for ſuch Perſon or Perſons as, at or immediately before the Time of making the ſaid Act, were the ſeveral and reſpective Owners thereof, according to their ſeveral Eſtates and Intereſts in Poſſeſſion, Reverſion, Remainder, or otherwiſe, until ſuch Eſtates and Intereſts ſhould be reſpectively adjudged and determined, and until the Purchaſe Monies for the ſame, that ſhould be agreed upon or aſſeſſed as the true Value thereof, 42 Geo. 3. c. 89.

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ſhould be paid; and that the ſaid Purchaſe Monies ſhould be paid and applied to ſuch and the ſame Uſes, Intents, and Purpoſes as the ſaid Eſtates and Intereſts ſo veſted in the above mentioned Truſtees, were limited and ſettled previous to the paſſing of the ſaid Act, ſo far as the Rules of Law would allow thereof; and that in the mean Time the Rents and Profits of the ſaid Lands and Hereditaments ſhould be paid and applied by the ſaid Truſtees to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as were entitled to the ſame, and in ſuch Proportions as the ſame were payable previous to the paſſing of the ſaid Act: And, for the better aſcertaining the ſeveral Owners and Proprietors of the ſaid Lands and Hereditaments, and their reſpective Titles, Intereſts, and Claims thereto, His Majeſty is by the ſaid Act empowered, by One or more Commiſſion or Commiſſions, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, to authorize and appoint any Number of Perſons to be Commiſſioners, to hear and determine all Titles and Claims which ſhould or might be made to the ſaid Lands and Hereditaments, or to any Part or Parcel thereof; and the ſaid Commiſſioners are thereby authorized and required to enquire into and to proceed, act upon, and determine all and all Manner of Rights, Eſtates, and Intereſts, and all Controverſies, Debates, and Queſtions, or any other Matter or Thing relating to the Premiſes; and alſo enquire into, proceed, act, and determine, touching and concerning the true and real Value of the ſaid Premiſes, in ſuch Manner, and are inveſted with ſuch Powers for theſe Purpoſes as are therein expreſſed; and it was by the ſaid Act alſo enacted, that immediately from and after the Time that Payment ſhould be made of the Sum and Sums of Money to be aſcertained, decreed, and adjudged, in Manner therein mentioned, to the Owners and Proprietors of the ſaid Lands and Hereditaments veſted by and to be purchaſed in purſuance of the ſaid Act, or to any or either of them, the Truſtees therein-before mentioned, and their Heirs, ſhould be deemed and adjudged to ſtand ſeiſed of ſuch Part and Parcel of the ſaid Premiſes as ſhould be ſo paid for to and for the Uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, for ever, freed and diſcharged of and from all and all Manner of Right, Title, Claim, and Demand whatſoever, that could or might be had, made, or ſet up by any Perſon or Perſons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, Eccleſiaſtical or Civil: And whereas it is found expedient for carrying the Purpoſes mentioned in the ſaid Act fully into Effect, to purchaſe the Lands and Hereditaments herein-after mentioned: And whereas the Purchaſes of the ſaid Lands and Hereditaments by the ſaid recited Act veſted in the ſaid Truſtees therein named, have not been proceeded in, nor hath any Commiſſion been yet granted by His Majeſty purſuant to the ſaid Act, it having been found eſſential and neceſſary for the Service of His Majeſty's Ordnance at *Woolwich*, ſtill further to extend and enlarge the Premiſes occupied and employed in the ſaid Service, and for that Purpoſe to purchaſe ſuch other Lands and Hereditaments for the Uſe of the ſaid Service, as hereinafter mentioned: And whereas the Lands, Rights, and Intereſts to be purchaſed in purſuance of this Act, are or may be veſted in or belonging to Infants, Femes Coverts, Truſtees, or other Perſons who by Law are diſabled to make any Contracts or Conveyances; in all which Caſes, as likewiſe when any Owners or other Perſons entitled to or intereſted in the ſame, deſigning to obſtruct the publick Service, or to make any unreaſonable Gain to themſelves, inſiſt on extravagant Rates, it will be neceſſary to have Recourſe to the ſame Methods as in the ſaid recited Act are directed

rected to be had with reſpect to the Lands and Hereditaments therein mentioned; be it therefore 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 all that Piece or Parcel of Land containing by Admeaſurement Two Acres Two Roods and One Perch or thereabouts being Part and Parcel of a Cloſe or Field called *Wood's Piece* near the Barn; and alſo all that Piece or Parcel of Land called *Cottage Green*, containing by Admeaſurement Two Roods and Two Perches or thereabouts; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Land, being Part of a Cloſe or Field called *Chimney Field*, with the Weſtward Farm Yard thereto adjoining and belonging, containing by Admeaſurement Eight Acres Three Roods and Thirty-five Perches or thereabouts; and alſo all thoſe Three ſmall Cottages erected on the ſaid laſt mentioned Piece or Parcel of Land, and now in the ſeveral Occupations of *Thomas Penn*, *Jeremiah Miles*, and *John Price*; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Land called *Conduit Field*, containing by Admeaſurement Four Acres Two Roods and Thirty-ſeven Perches or thereabouts; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Land, containing by Admeaſurement Two Roods and Eighteen Perches or thereabouts, being Part and Parcel of a Cloſe or Field called *Little Heath Field*; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Land called *The Eaſtward Farm Yard*, with the Stables and Buildings thereon erected, containing by Admeaſurement One Rood and Eleven Perches or thereabouts; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Land called *The Stack Yard*, containing by Admeaſurement Two Roods and Nineteen Perches or thereabouts; and alſo all that ſmall Piece or Parcel of Garden Ground in the Occupation of *Thomas Penn*, containing by Admeaſurement Twenty-four Perches or thereabouts; and alſo all that other ſmall Piece or Parcel of Garden Ground in the Occupation of *Jeremiah Miles*, containing by Admeaſurement Seventeen Perches or thereabouts; all which ſaid ſeveral Pieces or Parcels of Land herein-before mentioned, are in the Tenure and Occupation of *Samuel Hardin*; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Garden Ground in the Tenure and Occupation of *Joſeph Wellard*, containing by Admeaſurement Two Roods and Thirty-ſeven Perches or thereabouts; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Garden and other Ground, with the Two Meſſuages or Tenements thereon erected and built, in the Tenure and Occupation of *Alexander Bryſon*, containing by Admeaſurement One Rood and Sixteen Perches or thereabouts; and alſo all that Triangular Piece or Parcel of Land, being Part and Parcel of a Cloſe or Field called *Mulgrave Place Field*, in the Tenure and Occupation of the ſaid *Joſeph Wellard*, and containing by Admeaſurement Three Roods and One Perch or thereabouts; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Land, being Part and Parcel of a Cloſe or Field called *Ruſh Grove*, with the Two Cottages thereon erected and built; and alſo a ſmall Quadrangular Piece or Parcel of Ground, ſituate at the South Eaſt Corner of the *Eaſtward Farm Yard* herein-before mentioned, in the Tenure and Occupation of *Henry Rideout*, containing by Admeaſurement Three Roods and Twenty Perches or thereabouts; all which ſaid ſeveral Pieces or Parcels of Land, Meſſuages or Tenements, Cottages, and Gardens herein-before mentioned, are the Property of *John Bowater* Eſquire, and are abutted and bounded as follows; (that is to ſay), on the South by Lands particularly mentioned and deſcribed in the ſaid Act, made in the laſt Seſſion

The Premiſes herein deſcribed veſted in Truſtees for the Owners, until their Intereſts therein ſhall be determined, and Purchaſe Money paid.

Seſſion of Parliament, and now called or known by the ſeveral Names of the *Old Barrack Field* and the *New Barrack Field*, and on the Weſt and North by other Lands of the ſaid *John Bowater*, from which the ſame have been lately ſeparated or marked off by Pickets, and terminating in a Point at the Eaſt End in *Love Lane*; and alſo all that other Piece or Parcel of Land, being Part of the Waſte or Common Lands of the Manor of *Charlton* called *Little Heath*, containing in Length from the Stile at the North Weſt Corner of *Little Heath Field*, and from thence proceeding in the Courſe of the preſent Foot Path there, to the publick Highway leading from *Charlton* to *Woolwich Common*, along the North Side of Lady *Wilſon*'s Park Wall, Four hundred and ſeventy Yards or thereabouts, and in Width Thirty Feet or thereabouts, and which ſaid Piece or Parcel of Land laſtly above deſcribed, it is intended to convert into a publick Carriage Road leading from *Woolwich* to *Charlton*; and alſo all that Piece of Waſte Land, containing by Eſtimation Eighty Acres or thereabouts, (be the ſame more or leſs) commonly called *Woolwich Common*, ſituate in the Pariſh of *Woolwich* in the ſaid County of *Kent*; and all the Eſtates, Rights, and Intereſts, Claims, and Demands whatſoever, of any Perſon or Perſons in, upon, over, or out of the ſame, (other than and except the Eſtate, Right, and Intereſt of His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, of, in, and to the ſame Piece of Waſte Land; and alſo except all Meſſuages, Tenements, Edifices, Buildings, Yards, Gardens, and Incloſures whatſoever, now erected, built, or made upon or from the ſame; and alſo except all ancient and accuſtomed Highways, Roads, Paths, and Paſſages, upon or over the ſame), all which ſaid Piece of Waſte Land called *Woolwich Common*, is Parcel of the Waſte Lands of the Manor of *Eltham*, which Manor is now held by Sir *John Gregory Shaw* Baronet, under a Leaſe from the Crown, for a Term of Years, which will expire in or about the Year One thouſand eight hundred and ten; and which ſaid Piece of Waſte Land, (except the ſaid Meſſuages, Tenements, Edifices, Buildings, Yards, Gardens, and Incloſures, and all Timber and other Trees; and alſo except all Common of Paſture and Turbary, and other Common Rights and Privileges thereon of and belonging to the ſaid Sir *John Shaw*, and the Freehold Tenants and other Perſons of or within the ſaid Manor of *Eltham*; and all ſuch Highways, Roads, Paths, and Paſſages as aforeſaid, and alſo except all Courts Leet and Baron Perquiſites, and Profits of Courts, Waifs, Eſtrays, Deodands, Goods, and Chattels of Felons, Fugitives, and Outlaws, Eſtrovers, and Commons of Eſtrovers, Free Warren, and all other the Manorial Rights, Juriſdictions, Franchiſes, Liberties, and Advantages whatſoever, belonging to the ſaid Sir *John Shaw*, as Lord of the ſaid Manor), was by Indenture of Leaſe, bearing Date the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and one, demiſed by the ſaid Sir *John Shaw* to the Principal Officers of His Majeſty's Ordnance, in Truſt for the Uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, from *Michaelmas* then laſt, for the Term of Seven Years, at and under the yearly Rent of Twenty-one Pounds, and under and ſubject to certain Covenants and Reſtrictions therein contained, ſhall be and the ſame are hereby veſted in the ſaid *Charles Abbott*, Sir *Edward Knatchbull*, and *Filmer Honeywood*, and their Heirs, in Truſt nevertheleſs for ſuch Perſon or Perſons as, at or immediately before the Time of making this Act, were the ſeveral and reſpective Owners thereof, or had any Rights or Intereſts therein, according

cording to their ſeveral Eſtates, Rights, and Intereſts in Poſſeſſion, Reverſion, Remainder, or otherwiſe, until ſuch Eſtates, Rights, and Intereſts ſhall be reſpectively adjudged or determined, and until the Purchaſe Monies for the ſame that ſhall be agreed upon or aſſeſſed as the true Value thereof ſhall be paid; and that the ſaid Purchaſe Monies ſhall be paid and applied to ſuch and the ſame Uſes, Intents, and Purpoſes as the ſaid Eſtates, Rights, and Intereſts ſo veſted in the above mentioned Truſtees, were limited and ſettled previous to the paſſing of this Act, ſo far as the Rules of Law will allow thereof; and that in the mean Time the Rents and Profits of the ſaid Lands and Hereditaments ſhall be paid and applied by the ſaid Truſtees to, and all ſuch Rights and Intereſts as aforeſaid ſhall be held and enjoyed by, ſuch Perſon or Perſons as were entitled to have, receive, hold, and enjoy the ſame reſpectively, and in ſuch Proportions, Manner, and Form as the ſame were payable, and were held and enjoyed, previous to the paſſing of this Act.

On Payment of the Purchaſe Money agreed for or aſſeſſed, Premiſes ſhall veſt in the Truſtees for the Uſe of His Majeſty.

II. And be it further enacted, That, immediately from and after the Time that Payment ſhall be made of the Sum and Sums of Money to be agreed for or aſſeſſed, and which ſhall be decreed and adjudged to the Owners and Proprietors of, and Perſons intereſted in the Lands and Hereditaments veſted by, and to be purchaſed in purſuance of this Act, or any of them, the Truſtees herein-before mentioned, and their Heirs, ſhall be deemed and adjudged to ſtand ſeiſed of the ſaid Premiſes reſpectively, to and for the Uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, for ever, freed and diſcharged of and from all and all Manner of Eſtates, Leaſes, Rights, Titles, Intereſts, Claims, and Demands whatſoever, which can or may be had, made, or ſet up, into, out of, or upon, or in reſpect of the ſame Lands and Hereditaments by any Bodies Politick or Corporate, Eccleſiaſtical or Civil, or any Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, on any Account whatever.

Ancient Roads not to be ſtopped up.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no ancient and accuſtomed Highways, Roads, Paths, or Paſſages, in, over, or upon the ſaid Lands veſted by, and to be purchaſed in purſuance of this Act, ſhall be ſtopped up, altered, or diveſted, other than and except in ſuch Manner as the ſame reſpectively might by Law have been ſtopped up, altered, and diveſted in caſe this Act had not been paſſed.

Commiſſioners appointed under recited Act may determine all Titles and Rights to Premiſes, *etc.*

IV. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for His Majeſty, in and by any Commiſſion or Commiſſions which ſhall or may be granted by His Majeſty in purſuance of the ſaid recited Act, to authorize and direct that the Commiſſioners to be therein named, or any Five or more of them, ſhall and may hear and determine all Titles, Rights, Claims, and Intereſts which ſhall or may be made to, upon, over, or out of, as well the Lands and Hereditaments intended to be purchaſed by virtue of this Act, or any Part or Parcel thereof, as thoſe which ſhall or may be purchaſed by virtue of the ſaid recited Act; and the ſaid Commiſſioners ſo to be appointed as aforeſaid, or any Five or more of them, ſhall and may in all Things act in the Execution of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents, Conſtructions, and Purpoſes,

as they can or may act in the Execution of the ſaid recited Act; and all and every the Powers, Proviſions, Regulations, and Clauſes in the ſaid recited Act contained, ſhall, in the Execution of this Act, be uſed and applied, extended and conſtrued, in like Manner, in all Reſpects, as if the ſame reſpectively had been repeated and ſpecially enacted in this Act.

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