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An Act for discharging certain Arrears of Quit, Crown, and Composition Rents, which have been growing due in *Ireland*. [26th *June* 1811.]

WHEREAS several Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monastery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments in *Ireland*, chargeable with Quit Rents, Crown Rents, Composition Rents, or other Chief Rents, payable to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, have been for many Years past returned by the Collectors of His Majesty's Revenue in *Ireland* to whom such Rents have been given in charge as not to be found, and such Rents have been constantly returned in Arrear, by Means whereof such Arrears do now amount to considerable Sums of Money, and will be great Incumbrances on such Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, and Monastery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements and Hereditaments, in case the same should hereafter be discovered: And whereas it is apprehended that by giving an Encouragement to the present Holders of such Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monastery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments, to discover the same, so as that the growing Rents payable to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, may hereafter be punctually paid, will increase His Majesty's Revenue; 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 it shall and may be lawful for every Person and Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, at any Time before the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* which will be in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, to prefer his, her, or their Petition

On Application to the Exchequer in Manner described, Lands to be

discharged of Arrears of Quit and other Rents due to His Majesty incurred previous to Sept. 29, 1810.

Petition or Petitions, to His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in *Ireland*, thereby setting forth, that all or some of the Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monastery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in *Ireland*, whereof he, she, or they is or are seized, is or are subject or liable to some certain Quit Rent, Crown Rent, Composition, or other Chief Rent, payable to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, which hath not been paid for the Space of Twenty Years next immediately preceding the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ten, particularly describing in such Petition the Lands liable to the Payment thereof, as well by their present as former Names and Denominations, and thereby submitting to pay all such annual Quit Rent, Crown Rent, Composition Rent or other Chief Rent, which shall become due from and after such Time as the said Court of Exchequer shall think fit to order, and praying to have such Lands, Abbey, Priory, Monastery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments, discharged of and from all Arrears of such Rent incurred, due to and for such Time as the said Court shall think fit, which Petition shall be engrossed on Parchment and signed by the Party or Parties preferring the same, (except in case of a Minor or Lunatic, and in such case by the Guardian or Guardians, Committee or Committees of such Minor or Lunatic), and shall be filed on Record in the Second Remembrancer's Office, and that thereupon an Order shall be made by the said Court, that the Auditor General or his Deputy or Deputies shall search into the Rent Rolls, Books and Records in his Office, and shall certify to the said Court, by a certain Day to be appointed by the Court whether any such Rent or Rents as is or are mentioned in such Petition or Petitions hath or have been accounted for to His Majesty or his Predecessors, within the Space of Twenty Years next preceding the said Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred and ten, a Copy of which Order shall be served on the said Auditor General or his Deputy and on the Solicitor of His Majesty's Rents, Ten Days at the least before the Day appointed for his making such Certificate; and the said Auditor General or his Deputy is hereby required to make such Searches, and to certify to the said Court of Exchequer, whether it appears to him that such Rents have been paid or accounted for to His Majesty or His Predecessors within the Space of Twenty Years next before the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred and ten, and whether it appears to him that any and what Proceedings have been had by or on Behalf of His Majesty, for Recovery of such Rent within the said Period; for which Search the Sum of Two Shillings and Sixpence and no more; and for which Certificate the Sum of Six Shillings and Eight-pence and no more; and for Entry of Discharge of such Arrears out of the Rent Roll the Sum of Three Shillings and Four-pence, and no more, shall be paid to the said Auditor General; and if upon return of such Certificate, and upon examining into the Truth of the Allegations of such Petition by the said Court of Exchequer, in a summary Way, it shall appear to the said Court, that no Quit Rent, Crown Rent, Composition Rent, or other Chief Rent payable to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, hath been paid for and out of such Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monastery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or hath been accounted for by the Collectors of His Majesty's Revenue for the District wherein such Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monastery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments lie, within the Term of Twenty Years next before

before the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and ten, and that no Proceedings have been had by or on Behalf of His Majeſty, for Recovery of ſuch Rent within the ſaid Twenty Years, then and in ſuch Caſe the ſaid Court of Exchequer is hereby authorized and empowered to make an Order, that the ſaid Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments mentioned in ſuch Petition, and the Perſons who from Time to Time reſpectively held and enjoyed the ſame, ſhall be abſolutely freed and diſcharged of and from all ſuch Rents and Arrears due or in Arrear at any Time before the ſaid Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and ten; and ſhall order the ſaid Auditor General to give in charge to the Collector of the Diſtrict where ſuch Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, or Hereditaments lie, ſuch growing Rents as the ſaid Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, or Hereditaments, ſhall appear to be chargeable with, which ſhall become due from and after the ſaid Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and ten, to the Intent that the ſame be duly collected for the future, and that ſuch Order ſhall be an effectual Diſcharge againſt His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, as to ſuch Arrears; and if it ſhall appear to the ſaid Court of Exchequer in Manner aforeſaid, that no Quit Rent, Crown Rent, Compoſition Rent, or other Chief Rent payable to His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, hath been paid for out of ſuch Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or hath been accounted for to the Collector of His Majeſty's Revenue, for the Diſtrict wherein ſuch Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments lie, within the Term of Twenty Years next before the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and ten, but that Proceedings have been had by or on Behalf of His Majeſty for Recovery of ſuch Rent within the ſaid Twenty Years, and before the Time when any ſuch Petition ſhall be preferred as aforeſaid; then and in ſuch Caſe the ſaid Court of Exchequer is hereby authorized and empowered to make an Order on ſuch Petition, that the ſaid Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, or Hereditaments mentioned in ſuch Petition, and the Perſons who from Time to Time reſpectively held and enjoyed the ſame, ſhall be abſolutely freed and diſcharged of and from all ſuch Rents and Arrears due and in arrear at any Time before the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and four; and ſhall order the ſaid Auditor General to give in charge to the Collector or Collectors of the Diſtrict where ſuch Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, or Hereditaments, do lie, ſuch growing Rents as the ſaid Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, or Hereditaments, ſhall appear to be charged or chargeable with, which ſhall become due from and after the ſaid Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and four, to the Intent that the ſame may be duly collected for the future, and that ſuch Order ſhall be an effectual Diſcharge againſt His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, as to ſuch Arrears.

Auditor General to give in Charge to the Collector of the Diſtrict the Rents that ſhall accrue after Sept. 29, 1810:

But where Proceedings ſhall have been had within 20 Years, Lands to be diſcharged only of the Arrears incurred previous to Sept. 29, 1804.

II. And whereas it may tend to the Diſcovery of ſuch Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as have been returned by the ſaid Collectors as not to be found as

Perſons, not ſubject to ſuch Rents, making Diſcovery of

Rents in Arrear, entitled to a Majority of the Sum recovered if it do not exceed 20l.

as aforeſaid, if Perſons who ſhall diſcover the ſame ſo as to enable His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, to recover the Rents payable thereout, and Arrears thereof, ſhall be entitled to a Reward for ſo doing; wherefore, be it enacted, That any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall effectually diſcover any Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tithes, Fairs, Tenements, or Hereditaments, ſo in Arrear of the Quit Rent, Crown Rent, Compoſition Rent, or other Chief Rent payable thereout to His Majeſty as aforeſaid, and which has been returned by the ſaid Collectors as not to be found as aforeſaid, other than the Proprietor or Proprietors, or other Perſon or Perſons, ſubject to the Payment of ſuch Rent, ſo as that ſuch Rent or Rents in Arrear be recovered, ſuch Perſon or Perſons making ſuch Diſcovery ſhall be entitled to One Moiety of ſuch Arrear as ſhall be recovered; provided that ſuch Moiety ſhall not exceed the Sum of Twenty Pounds.

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