ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO QUINTO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. CXIX.

An Act to enable the Truſtees of Turnpike Roads to abate the Tolls on Carriages, and to allow of their carrying extra Weights in certain Caſes.

[28th *June* 1815.]

WHEREAS it might tend greatly to the Preſervation of the ſeveral Turnpike Roads within that Part of the United Kingdom called *England*, if the Truſtees acting in Execution of the ſeveral Acts for the maintaining and repairing thereof, were enabled to grant certain Privileges and Abatements of Tolls to all Waggons, Carts, or other ſuch Carriages, having the Axletrees thereof horizontal, and the Wheels thereof ſtanding perpendicular on the Ground, with flat and level Fellies, and of particular Breadths: 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 it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the reſpective Truſtees, or any Seven or more of them, acting in Execution of any Act or Acts of Parliament for maintaining and repairing any Turnpike Road or Roads in that Part of the United Kingdom called *England*, at any of their reſpective Meetings to be holden in purſuance of ſuch Act or Acts, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, by Order to be made at any ſuch Meetings (in caſe they ſhall think it proper and expedient), to exempt from the Payment of all or any Part of the additional Tolls for every One hundred Weight of One hundred

Truſtees of Roads empowered to exempt Carriages having Wheels of the Deſcription herein mentioned from Tolls impoſed for Overweight.

hundred and twelve Pounds to the Hundred, which any Waggon, Cart, or other such Carriage, together with the Loading thereof, shall weigh at any Weighing Engine erected or to be erected, over and above the Weights allowed to each of them respectively, by an Act made in the Thirteenth
13 G. 3. c. 78. Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to explain, amend, and reduce into One Act of Parliament, the general Laws now in being for regulating the Turnpike Roads in that Part of* Great Britain *called* England, *and for other Purposes*, imposed and granted by an Act, made
14 G. 3. c. 82. in the Fourteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for explaining and altering an Act made in the Thirteenth Year of His present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to explain, amend, and reduce into One Act of Parliament, the general Laws now in being for regulating the Turnpike Roads in that Part of* Great Britain *called* England, *and for other Purposes';* so far as the same relates to the Payment of additional Tolls at Weighing Engines, and the Number of Horses to be used in Carriages drawn on Turnpike Roads, and for allowing certain Exemptions with respect to Weights and Payment of Toll in particular Cases; provided such Waggon, Cart, or other such Carriage, shall have the Soles or Bottoms of the Fellies of all the Wheels thereof of the Breadth of Six Inches, or of Nine Inches, or of Sixteen Inches or upwards, and be cylindrical, that is to say, of the same Diameter on the Inside next the Carriage as on the Outside, so that when such Wheels shall be rolling on a flat or level Surface, the whole Breadth thereof shall bear equally on such flat or level Surface; and provided that the opposite Ends of the Axletrees of such Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage, so far as the same shall be inserted in the respective Naves of the Wheels thereof, shall be horizontal and in the continuance of one straight Line, without forming any Angle with each other; and so that in each Pair of Wheels belonging to such Carriage, the lower Parts, when resting on the Ground, shall be at the same Distance from each other as the upper Parts of such Pair of Wheels: Provided always, that no such Exemption from such additional Tolls or Penalties for Overweight, or from any Part or Parts thereof, shall be allowed or granted for or in respect of any such Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage having the Fellies of the Wheels thereof of Six Inches and upwards in Breadth, and less than Nine Inches in Breadth, notwithstanding the Wheels and Fellies thereof shall be so made, and the Axletrees thereof so formed and fixed as aforesaid, in case such Overweight shall exceed Eight hundred Weight; nor shall any such Exemption be allowed or granted for or in respect of any Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage, having the Fellies of the Wheels thereof of Nine Inches and upwards in Breadth, and less than Sixteen Inches in Breadth, notwithstanding the Wheels and Fellies thereof shall be so made, and the Axletrees thereof so formed and fixed as aforesaid, in case such Overweight shall exceed Six hundred Weight; nor shall any such Exemption be allowed or granted for or in respect of any such Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage, having the Fellies of the Wheels thereof of Sixteen Inches and upwards in Breadth, notwithstanding the Wheels and Fellies thereof shall be so made, and the Axletrees thereof so formed and fixed as aforesaid, in case such Overweight shall exceed Thirty hundred Weight.

Cases where Exemption shall not be allowed.

Trustees may reduce other Tolls.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the respective Trustees, or any Seven or more of them, acting in Execution

Execution of any Act or Acts of Parliament for maintaining and repairing any Turnpike Road or Roads in that Part of the United Kingdom called *England*, at any of their respective Meetings to be holden in pursuance of such Act or Acts, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, in case they shall think it proper and expedient, to reduce any Part or Parts of the Toll or Tolls payable by virtue of such Act or Acts, for or in respect of each and every Waggon, Cart, or other such Carriages, or the Horse or Horses, Beast or Beasts, or other Cattle drawing such Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage, having the Wheels and Fellies so made, and the Axle-trees thereof so formed and fixed as aforesaid: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to enable such Trustees to reduce such Toll or Tolls more than One-fourth of the Toll or Tolls that might otherwise be demanded and taken for or in respect of each and every such Waggon, Cart, or other such Carriage, or the Horse or Horses, Beast or Beasts, or other Cattle drawing the same.

Tolls not to be reduced without Consent of Lessee.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to enable the said Trustees, or any Seven or more of them, to reduce any such Toll or Tolls, or any of such Penalties for Overweight, during the Continuance or Existence of any Lease or Leases thereof, without the Consent in Writing of the Lessee or Lessees first had and obtained for that Purpose.

LONDON: Printed by George Eyre and Andrew Strahan, Printers to the King's most Excellent Majesty. 1815.