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An Act to amend an Act of the Fifty-firſt Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, for diſcharging certain Arrears of Quit, Crown, and Compoſition Rents in *Ireland.* [22d *June* 1816.]

WHEREAS in and by an Act paſſed in the Fifty-firſt Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled *An Act for diſcharging* 51 G.3.c.91. *certain Arrears of Quit, Crown, and Compoſition Rents, which have been growing due in* Ireland; it is amongſt other Things enacted, 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 One thouſand eight hundred and twenty-one, to prefer his, her, or their 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, Tythes, 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 One thouſand eight hundred and ten, in ſuch Manner and Form, and containing ſuch Particulars, as in and by the ſaid recited Act is and are preſcribed, directed, and appointed; and that if by Examinations in a ſummary Way it ſhall appear to the Court of Exchequer that no Quit, Crown, or Compoſition Rents, or other Rents as aforeſaid, hath been paid or accounted for by the Collector of His Majeſty's Revenue out of ſuch Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tythes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments, within the Term of Twenty Years next 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, the ſaid Court is by the ſaid recited Act authorized

and empowered to make an Order that the ſaid Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tythes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments mentioned in ſuch Petition, and the Perſons who from Time to Time reſpectively held and enjoyed the ſame, ſhould be abſolutely freed and diſcharged of and from all ſuch Rent and Arrears due or in Arrear at any Time before the ſaid Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and ten; but where Proceedings ſhall have been had for Recovery of ſuch Arrears within the Space of Twenty Years as aforeſaid, and before any ſuch Petition ſhall be preferred, that then ſuch Lands, Rectory, Abbey, Priory, Monaſtery Lands, Tythes, Fairs, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and the Perſons who from Time to Time held and enjoyed the ſame, ſhall be diſcharged of and from all Arrears of ſuch Rents to the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand eight hundred and four: And whereas it is expedient to amend the ſaid Act, 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 from and after the paſſing of this Act, in addition to the Order which the ſaid Court of Exchequer is in and by the ſaid recited Act authorized and empowered to make, upon any Petition or Petitions filed under the Proviſions of the ſaid recited Act, ſuch Court ſhall and is hereby required to order and direct that the Auditor General or his Deputy ſhall enquire and certify to the ſaid Court, by a certain Day to be appointed by the ſaid Court, whether any and what Proceedings had been taken by or on Behalf of His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, for Recovery of ſuch Rents, at any Time before ſuch Petition or Petitions ſhall have been preferred as aforeſaid, and whether any and what Coſts and Expences had been incurred by or on Behalf of His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, for the Recovery of ſuch Rents, a Copy of which Order ſhall be ſerved on the Solicitor of the King's Rents Ten Days at the leaſt before the Day appointed for the making of ſuch Certificate, and upon the Return of ſuch Certificate the ſaid Court of Exchequer is hereby authorized and required to make an Order on ſuch Petition or Petitions; and that ſuch Perſon or Perſons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, ſo preferring his or their Petition or Petitions as aforeſaid, after ſuch Proceedings ſhall have been had or taken on Behalf of His Majeſty, His Heirs or Succeſſors as aforeſaid, ſhall in all ſuch Caſes pay to the Solicitor for His Majeſty's Rents all ſuch Coſts and Expences as ſhall on ſuch Certificate appear to have been incurred on ſuch Proceedings, the ſame being duly aſcertained and taxed by the proper Officers; and ſuch Perſon or Perſons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, ſhall pay ſuch Coſts and Expences accordingly, before the ſaid Court of Exchequer ſhall make any Order on ſuch Petition or Petitions to diſcharge ſuch Arrears of Quit, Crown, or Compoſition Rents, or other Chief Rents as aforeſaid; any Thing in the ſaid recited Act to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Court of Chancery, in addition to the Order to be made under recited Act, to direct the Auditor General to enquire whether any Proceedings had been taken for Recovery of Rents, and what Coſts had been incurred, &c.

Coſts to be paid by Petitioners.

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