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An Act for enabling *William Blackall Simonds* Esquire to sell or mortgage his Estate and Interest in the Impropriate Rectory of *Caversham*, in the County of *Oxford*, free from the Claims of the Crown.

[24th *July* 1820.]

William B. Simonds as Receiver General of the Land Tax, &c. is bound to His Majesty by Bonds of Record in the Court of Exchequer, with Sureties.

WHEREAS *William Blackall Simonds*, of *Reading*, in the County of *Berks*, Esquire, has executed the Office of Receiver-General of the Land-Tax, and of the Assessed Taxes, as well as the Property-Tax, for part of the said County of *Berks* for Twenty-nine Years last past, and has duly passed his Accounts and obtained his Quietus and the Cancellation of his Bonds as such Receiver-General, down to the Fifth Day of *April* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and seventeen; and the said *William Blackall Simonds*, together with his approved Sureties, are jointly and severally bound to His Majesty by Bonds of Record in the Court of Exchequer, for the due Execution of his said Office of Receiver-General for the Years One thousand eight hundred and eighteen and One thousand eight hundred and nineteen respectively; and he and his Sureties will shortly execute a like Bond for the Year One thousand eight hundred and twenty: And whereas at the Time of the passing of the Act for the Redemption of the Land-Tax, the said *William Blackall Simonds* held, by Lease of the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *Christ* in *Oxford*, the Rectory or Parsonage of *Caversham*, with the

Is possessed of an Estate in the impropriate Rectory of Caversham.

Glebe Lands, Rights, Members, and Appurtenances thereto belonging, in the County of *Oxford*, for the then Remainder of a Term of which Sixteen Years were unexpired, renewable every Seven Years, and which Leasehold Estate he purchased of Doctor *Loveday*, the original Lessee, for Nine thousand Pounds; and in the said Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, the said Dean and Chapter having contracted, under the Provisions of the Land-Tax Redemption Acts, for the Sale to the said *William Blackall Simonds* of the Fee Simple of the said Premises, (subject to the said Lease) for the Sum of Four thousand nine hundred and forty-nine Pounds Twelve Shillings, the same was conveyed to him by Indenture of Bargain and Sale, dated the Eleventh Day of *September* One thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, and made between the said Dean and Chapter of the First Part; the Right Honourable Lord *Auckland* and the Right Honourable *Silvester Douglas*, Two of the Commissioners under the Great Seal for approving and confirming Sales made by Bodies Corporate for the Purpose of redeeming Land-Tax, of the Second Part; and the said *William Blackall Simonds* of the Third Part; by which Conveyance the said Lease became merged: And whereas the Purchases so made by the said William *Blackall Simonds* as aforesaid were made by him as to One Moiety of the said Premises, with his own Money and for his own Benefit, and as to the other Moiety thereof, with the Money and for the Benefit of his uncle, *James Simonds* late of *Reading*, in the County of *Berks*, Esquire, since deceased; and the said *William Blackall Simonds* accordingly, by Indenture dated the Eighth Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred, executed a Declaration with and to the said *James Simonds*, explanatory of their equal Interests in the said Estate, and a Covenant by the said *William Blackall Simonds* to stand seised as to One Moiety thereof for the said *James Simonds*, his Heirs and Assigns: And whereas the said *James Simonds* died in the Month of *December* One thousand eight hundred and nineteen, having by his Will, bearing Date the Sixteenth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and eighteen, devised all his Freehold Estates to the said *William Blackall Simonds* and others as Trustees for Sale, with a Direction to allow the said *William Blackall Simonds* to purchase the said *James Simonds* Moiety in the said Estate for the Sum of Eight thousand Pounds: And whereas under the Provisions of an Act passed in the 13 Eliz. c. 4. Thirteenth Year of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, intituled *An Act to make the Lands, Tenements, Goods, and Chattels of Tellers, Receivers, &c. liable to the Payment of their Debts*, and under the Provisions of 25 G. 3. c. 35. an Act passed in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for the more easy and effectual Sale of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, of Crown Debtors, or of their Sureties*, all the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, of which the said *William Blackall Simonds* was seised on the Day on which he became an Officer or Accountant to the Crown, or has been seised at any Time since, are, and during such Time as he shall continue such Officer or Accountant, and until his ultimate Balance shall be paid into the Exchequer, and a Quietus obtained for the same, will be liable to be put in Execution and sold for the Payment of his Arrears in the Collection and Receipt of the said Taxes and Duties; and in consequence thereof

no good Title can at present be made to the Entirety of any of the said Estates so purchased as aforesaid, nor to the undivided Moiety of the said *William Blackall Simonds* therein: And whereas since the said *William Blackall Simonds* entered on his said Office in the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, he has withdrawn from the Trade of a Brewer in which he was then engaged, and has very considerably increased the Value of his Property, which at that Time consisted principally of a Freehold Estate producing Five hundred Pounds *per Annum*, or thereabouts, but which now, exclusively of the said Moiety of the said Rectory of *Caversham*, consists of Freehold Estates producing One thousand Pounds *per Annum*, or thereabouts, besides leasehold Estates and personal Property on different Securities of considerable Value; and inasmuch as the said *William Blackall Simonds* has duly paid up all his Balances, and passed his Accounts as such Receiver-General as aforesaid, down to the Year One thousand eight hundred and seventeen inclusive; and inasmuch as all Arrears for the Years One thousand eight hundred and eighteen and One thousand eight hundred and nineteen, together with the Duties to become payable for the Year One thousand eight hundred and twenty, will be sufficiently and effectually secured by the other Property of the said *William Blackall Simonds*, (independently of his said Moiety of the said Rectory,) by virtue of his Bond, and also by the Bonds of his Sureties; and inasmuch as the said *William Blackall Simonds*'s Sureties are satisfied that the other Property of the said *William Blackall Simonds*, independently of the said Moiety of the said Rectory, forms an ample Protection to them from any Claim that may be made against them under their Bonds, or any Bonds they may hereafter execute as Sureties for the said *William Blackall Simonds*, it is reasonable that the said *William Blackall Simonds* should be enabled to join with the other Trustees of the Will of the said *James Simonds* in the Sale of the Entirety of the said Rectory, or of any Part thereof, or to sell or mortgage his own undivided Moiety thereof, discharged from the Claims of the Crown: To the End, therefore, that a good Title may be made to the Moiety, or other Share, Estate, and Interest of the said *William Blackall Simonds*, in the said Rectory of *Caversham*, to any Purchaser or Mortgagee, May it please Your Excellent Majesty, (At the humble Petition of the said *William Blackall Simonds*,) 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 for the said *William Blackall Simonds*, or his Heirs, at any Time or Times after the passing of this Act, to join and concur with the other Trustees or Trustee, for the Time being, of the said Will of the said *James Simonds*, deceased, or other the Person or Persons who for the Time being shall be seized of or entitled to the undivided Moiety, or other Share, Estate, and Interest late of the said *James Simonds*, in the said Rectory or Parsonage of *Caversham*, with the Glebe Lands, Rights, Members, and Appurtenances thereto belonging, or of or to any Part or Parts thereof, in selling and disposing of for a valuable Consideration in Money to any Purchaser or Purchasers the Entirety of the said Rectory, Glebe Lands, and Premises, or of any Part

Arrears to the Crown effectually secured, and Sureties protected.

William B. Simonds authorised to join in the Sale of the Rectory of Caversham exonerated from all Claims of the Crown.

Part or Parts thereof, or to sell and dispose of for a valuable Consideration in Money, to any Purchaser or Purchasers; or to convey, grant or demise, to any Person or Persons, by Way of Mortgage, and as a Security for the Re-payment of any Sum or Sums of Money to be advanced by any such Person or Persons to the said *William Blackall Simonds*, or his Heirs, with lawful Interest for the same, the undivided Moiety or other Share, Estate, and Interest, to which the said *William Blackall Simonds* is beneficially intitled, in the said Rectory, Glebe Lands, and Premises, or in any Part or Parts thereof; and that from and after any such Sale as aforesaid shall have been made of the Entirety of the said Rectory, Glebe Lands, and Premises, or of any Part thereof, or from and after any such Sale, or any such Mortgage as aforesaid, shall have been made of the Moiety, Estate, and Interest of the said *William Blackall Simonds*, in the said Rectory, Glebe Lands, and Premises, or in any Part thereof, the Purchaser or Purchasers, and his, her, and their Heirs and Assigns, or other Person or Persons, claiming by, from, through, or under him, her, or them, in respect of such Purchase or Purchases; and the Person or Persons to whom any such Mortgage or Mortgages shall be so made as aforesaid, and his, her, and their respective Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, or other Person or Persons claiming by, from, through, or under him, her, or them respectively, in respect of such Mortgage or Mortgages, shall have, hold, and enjoy the Premises so sold or mortgaged as aforesaid, acquitted and absolutely discharged of and from the Arrears and Debts which have become due to His late Majesty, or His present Majesty, or which may accrue or shall become due to His present Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, by or from the said *William Blackall Simonds*, on Account of or in respect to any of the said Offices so held by the said *William Blackall Simonds* as aforesaid, or any Matter, Cause, or Thing, in any wise relating thereto, and of and from all Bonds and Obligations made by the said *William Blackall Simonds* to His late Majesty, or to be made by the said *William Blackall Simonds* to His present Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, during such Time as he the said *William Blackall Simonds* shall be or remain an Accountant to His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, and all Actions, Suits, Claims, and Demands whatsoever, which His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors might have, or be entitled unto, if this Act had not been made, on Account, or in respect of the same, or any of them, and of and from all Right, Title, Interest, Property, Claim, and Demand whatsoever of His said Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, unto, from, out of, or upon the same undivided Moiety, or other Share, Estate, or Interest of the said *William Blackall Simonds*, in the said Rectory, Glebe Lands, and Premises, that shall be so sold or mortgaged as aforesaid, or any Part thereof; any Thing in the said Act of Parliament, passed in the Reign of Her said Majesty Queen *Elizabeth*, or in any other Act of Parliament relating to Accountants to the Crown, to the contrary notwithstanding.

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