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An Act to amend an Act of the Tenth Year of Her present Majesty, for rendering valid certain Proceedings for the Relief of Distress in *Ireland* by Employment of the Labouring Poor, and to indemnify those who have acted in such Proceedings. [4th *September* 1848.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Tenth Year of Her Majesty, intituled *An Act to render valid certain Proceedings for the Relief of Distress in* Ireland *by Employment of the Labouring Poor, and to indemnify those who have acted in such Proceedings*, it is amongst other things enacted, that all Undertakings therein recited which had been or should be accepted and acted upon, and all Presentments for Works mentioned and referred to in such Undertakings respectively made at any Sessions called and held before the passing of the said Act, under the Provisions of the Act therein recited, in whatever Form or at whatever Time or Times such Undertakings respectively might have been or should be so given or accepted and acted upon, and in whatever Form or at whatever Time or Times such Presentments respectively might have been made, should be ratified and confirmed to all Intents and Purposes, and such Undertakings respectively should be valid and binding upon the Person or Persons

10 & 11 Vict. c. 10. s. 3.

respectively giving the same, and upon the Lands therein respectively specified; and the Money mentioned in any such Undertaking, or so much thereof as by an Award to be made by the said Commissioners of Public Works, or any Two of them, and which said Award the said Commissioners or any Two of them were authorized and required to make, should appear to have been expended upon any of the Lands specified in any such Undertaking, should be a Charge on the Lands specified in such Undertaking and Award; and the Money mentioned in any such Award, with Interest thereon at the Rate of Three Pounds Ten Shillings *per Centum per Annum*, should be charged upon, raised, and levied from and out of the Lands so specified in such Award, and should be payable at the Time or Times appointed in such Award by the Person or Persons who, under the Provisions of the Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Her Majesty therein mentioned, and of the several Acts for the Amendment thereof, would be liable for the Repayment of the same, provided the same had been expended and charged on the said Lands for Works of Drainage executed under the Provisions of the said last-mentioned Acts, and should be raised, levied, and recovered by such Persons as the Commissioners of the Treasury should from Time to Time appoint, in the same Manner, and by the like Remedies, and with the like Powers and Authorities, and subject to the like Provisions, as by the said last-mentioned Acts is provided for the Recovery of Money for Works of Drainage, in so far as the same might be applicable for the Purposes of the said Act: And whereas no Provision is made by the said recited Act for giving notice of such Awards to the Parties interested therein, or for the Registry of the same, and it is advisable that the said Act should be amended in that and other respects: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen'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,

Where Commissioners of Public Works have made any Award under recited Act a Copy shall be sent to the Persons whose Lands shall be the Subject of the same.

That in all Cases in which the said Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland* shall make or have already made any Award under the Provisions of the said Act of the Tenth Year of Her Majesty's Reign, the said Commissioners of Public Works shall cause a Copy of such Award to be transmitted by Post, or in such other Manner as they shall think fit, to the Proprietor or Proprietors, as in the said Act mentioned, of the Lands which shall be the Subject of such Award; and the said Commissioners shall execute a Copy or Duplicate of every such Award as and for a Memorial thereof for the Purposes of Registry, and forthwith cause such Award to be registered in the Office for the Registry of Deeds in the City of *Dublin;* and the Registrar of the said Registry Office, his Deputies and Assistants, and other Officers, shall and he and they are hereby required to register every such Award in the same Manner as any Deed or Instrument is registered in the said Office, and to file, retain, and enter such Duplicate or Memorial in the Abstract Books and Indexes of or relating to Deeds and Memorials registered and kept in the said Office; and no Fees whatsoever shall be payable for or in respect to such Registration, anything in any former Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Award to be registered.

Lands mentioned in the Award to

II. And be it enacted, That the Lands specified in that Behalf in every such Award shall, from and after the Registry thereof as aforesaid

said, become and the same are hereby charged with the Amount mentioned in such Award, with Interest thereon at the Rate of Three Pounds Ten Shillings *per Centum per Annum*, such Interest to be calculated from the Tenth Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, and to be payable by half-yearly Instalments on the Days and Times in such Award mentioned; and such Amount and Interest shall have Priority over all Charges affecting the same Lands; and every such Award in respect of the Lands therein specified shall be binding upon all Persons having any Estate or Interest in such Lands, or Lien or Incumbrance thereon; and every such Award shall be conclusive Evidence that all Requisites by the said last-mentioned Act and this Act with respect thereto have been fully complied with; and it shall not be lawful for any Person to question the Validity of such Award of the said Commissioners of Public Works in respect of anything whatsoever done or omitted to be done, or for any other Reason whatsoever. become chargeable, and Award to be conclusive.

III. And be it enacted, That no such Award, or Memorial thereof, shall be liable to any Stamp Duty whatever. Award free of Stamp Duty.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Proprietor for the Time being of the Lands specified in any such Award, at any Time within the Period fixed by such Award for Repayment, to pay off in One Sum the Amount of Principal and Interest charged upon the said Lands, and which may then be due and payable thereout. Any Proprietor may pay off Principal, &c. within the Period fixed for Repayment.

V. And be it enacted, That upon Payment of the Sum mentioned in such Award, or such Portion thereof as may from Time to Time be due on Foot thereof, together with the Interest due thereon, and also upon Payment of all Costs, Charges, and Expenses (if any) incurred in proceeding to recover the same, or in relation thereto, the Paymaster of Civil Services in *Ireland* for the Time being shall and he is hereby required, at the Request of the Party paying the same, to execute a Release of the Lands so charged as aforesaid, at the Cost and Expense of the Party to whom such Release shall be granted. Upon Payment of Amount due Lands to be released.

VI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in this present Session of Parliament. Act may be amended, &c.

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