Intention to do so) to bring the same before the Court or Judge respectively at the Time of fiating Presentments, and if it shall appear to the said Court or Judge respectively that such Presentment or Presentments should have been made, the same shall be added to the Schedules sent by the Town Clerk, under the separate Heading "Quay Wall Tax" or "Bridge Tax" respectively, as the Case may be.

Application to be made to Court at Time of fiating Presentments.

VI. The Amount of such Sum and Sums as shall from Time to Time be so presented or fiated as aforesaid shall be applotted, raised, and levied by the Collector General of Rates in the same Manner as the Police Rate, and all the Provisions by the said Act called "The Act to provide for the Collection of Rates in the City of *Dublin*," provided for the applotting, assessing, raising, levying, lodging, accounting for, auditing, and paying over the Sums in the said Acts in that Behalf mentioned, shall extend and be applicable to the said Quay Wall Tax and Bridge Tax respectively, as fully as if the same had been specifically mentioned in the said Act, and been declared to be One of the Rates leviable thereunder: Provided, however, that the said Quay Wall Tax and Bridge Tax respectively shall be raised and levied on and out of all Houses and other Buildings erected within the said District of *Dublin* Metropolis as aforesaid; and the said Monies so levied shall be lodged in the Bank of *Ireland* to the Credit of an Account for the said Corporation for preserving and improving the Port of *Dublin*, to a separate Account to be called "The Quay Wall and Bridge Tax Accounts."

Sums to be applotted and raised same as the Police Rate.

VII. So much of the said Act called *An Act to make further Provisions and to amend the Acts relating to the Harbour of* Kingstown *and the Port and Harbour of* Dublin, or of every other Act respecting the Quay Walls, as is contradictory to or inconsistent with the Provisions of this Act, shall be and is hereby repealed.

So much of 1 & 2 Vict. c. 36. as inconsistent with this Act, &c. repealed.

VIII. So much of the several Acts as are herein-before recited, and as shall or may be found necessary for the Purposes of this Act, shall be considered, deemed, and taken to be incorporated herein.

Parts of Acts herein recited to be incorporated.

IX. This Act shall commence and take effect from the Tenth Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

Commencement of Act.

CAP. XXIII.

An Act for raising the Sum of Six Millions by Exchequer Bonds and Exchequer Bills. [16th *June* 1854.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, towards raising the necessary Supplies which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty, have resolved to give and grant unto Your Majesty the Sums herein-after mentioned; and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it 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, as follows;

Treasury may raise 2,000,000*l.* by Exchequer Bonds.

I. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* to issue Exchequer Bonds, bearing Interest from the Eighth Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four at Three Pounds Ten Shillings *per Centum per Annum*, to be paid off at Par on the Eighth Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, for any Sums not exceeding in the whole Two Millions, to any Person who may have subscribed for such Bonds at a Price not less than Ninety-eight Pounds Fifteen Shillings *per Centum*, to be paid at the Rate of One hundred Pounds One Shilling if in Money, or in Exchequer Bills at Par, for every One hundred Pounds so subscribed; and all Exchequer Bills so subscribed shall be delivered up to be cancelled; and all Payments in Money shall be placed to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*.

Instalments.

II. Such Parties, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, as have subscribed for any such Exchequer Bonds, and shall have made a Deposit of Ten Pounds *per Centum* on the Eighth, Ninth, or Tenth Days of *May* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and shall pay the further Instalments in completion of the Price at the following Times; viz.

Thirty Pounds *per Centum* on the Ninth Day of *June* next;
Twenty Pounds *per Centum* on the Eleventh Day of *July* next;
Twenty Pounds *per Centum* on the Eighth Day of *September* next;
And the remaining Twenty Pounds on the Seventeenth Day of *October* next;

shall on completing such Subscription be entitled to the Bonds for which they have severally subscribed; and Interest at the Rate of Three Pounds Ten Shillings *per Centum per Annum*, from the Day of Payment up to the respective Days on which the Instalments fall due, shall be paid to such Parties as shall pay the Instalments at an earlier Period; and unless such Parties so subscribing shall pay the whole of such Instalments, the Deposit and Instalments actually paid shall be forfeited, and no Bonds shall be issued on account of such Subscription.

Treasury may raise a further Amount of 4,000,000*l.* on Exchequer Bonds.

III. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to issue from Time to Time, but not later than the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, a further Amount of Exchequer Bonds for any Sums not exceeding in the whole Four Millions, at any Prices and on any Terms which may be determined upon by the said Commissioners, and such Bonds shall bear such Rates of Interest, not exceeding Four Pounds *per Centum per Annum*, as shall be fixed by the said Commissioners, and shall be paid off at Par at the Expiration of any Period or Periods not exceeding Six Years from the Day such Bonds shall bear Date, and also to authorize the Issue of Scrip Receipts in anticipation of the Preparation of such Bonds, and such Scrip Receipts shall be in such Form as the said Commissioners shall direct, and shall be exchanged at such Times and under such Regulations as the said Commissioners shall prescribe in that respect for Bonds of the like Amount and Value, which Scrip Receipts shall pass by Delivery to Bearer until after Seven Days Notice be given by the said Commissioners in the *London Gazette* that such Bonds are ready to be delivered in exchange for such Scrip Receipts.

Interest and Repayment of Principal Money.

IV. The Interest on all Exchequer Bonds issued under the Authority of this Act which shall bear Date on the Eighth Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four shall be payable half-yearly, on the Eighth Day of *May* and the Eighth Day of *November*, the first Payment thereon to be payable on the Eighth Day of *November* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and the Interest on all other Exchequer Bonds issued under the Authority of this Act shall be payable half yearly, on such Days as shall be appointed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and all such Interest, at whatever Days payable, shall be charged upon and issued out of the growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, and the Principal Monies secured by such Bonds shall be repaid out of such Monies as shall be provided by Parliament in that Behalf.

If full Amount of 4,000,000*l.* in Bonds is not issued, Exchequer Bills may be issued.

V. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from Time to Time, but not later than the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, to cause any Number of Exchequer Bills to be made out at the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster* for such Sum or Sums of Money as they shall direct, but the Amount of such Exchequer Bills taken together with the Amount of Exchequer Bonds issued from Time to Time under Section Three of this Act shall not exceed in the whole the Sum of Four Millions authorized to be raised by Exchequer Bonds as last herein-before mentioned, and all such Exchequer Bills shall be prepared and made out in like Manner as is prescribed in an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, intituled

48 G. 3. c. 1. *An Act for regulating the issuing and paying off of Exchequer Bills*, and in another Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of

4 & 5 W. 4. c. 15. His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to regulate the Office of the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer at* Westminster, and in another Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty,

5 & 6 Vict. c. 66. intituled *An Act for further regulating the Preparation and Issue of Exchequer Bills.*

VI. The

VI The whole Amount of Principal Money to be secured by the Exchequer Bonds and Exchequer Bills to be issued under the Authority of this Act shall not exceed the Sum of Six Millions. Limitation of Amount to 6,000,000*l.*

VII. All and every the Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities contained in the said Acts shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if the said several Clauses or Provisoes had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act. The Clauses, &c. in recited Acts extended to Bills made out under this Act.

VIII. The Principal Sum or Sums of Money to be contained in such Exchequer Bills shall be charged upon and shall be paid out of any Supplies to be granted in the next Session of Parliament. Bills how to be charged and paid.

IX. The Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act shall bear such Date as shall be directed in any Warrant or Warrants issued by the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and shall bear an Interest not exceeding the Rate of Threepence Halfpenny *per Centum per Diem* in respect of the whole of the Monies respectively contained therein, payable out of any Aids or Supplies in the Bank of *England* standing to the Credit of the Exchequer. Interest on Bills.

X. All the Exchequer Bills to be made out by virtue of this Act, or so many of them as shall from Time to Time remain undischarged and uncancelled, shall, after Twelve Calendar Months from their respective Dates, be taken and shall pass and be current to all the Receivers and Collectors in *Great Britain* of the Customs, Excise, or any Revenue, Supply, Aid, or Tax whatsoever already granted or payable, or which shall hereafter be granted or payable, to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and also at the Bank of *England* to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer, from the said Receivers or Collectors, or from any other Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, whatsoever, making any Payment there to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, upon any Account whatever. Bills to be current in Payment of Public Revenue after Twelve Calendar Months from their Dates.

XI. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from Time to Time, by Warrant under their Hands, to cause or direct the Exchequer Bonds to be issued under the Authority of this Act to be prepared for such Principal Sums, not less in any Case than One hundred Pounds, together with Receipts or Certificates specifying the Interest from Time to Time accruing thereon, to be made out at the Receipt of Her Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster*, in such Manner and Form and bearing such Date as shall be directed by the said Commissioners, which Exchequer Bonds and the Interest accruing thereon respectively shall be transferable by the Delivery of such Bonds, and of the Receipts or Certificates for such Interest thereon; and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to provide for the Delivery to the Persons and Corporations entitled thereto of such Exchequer Bonds as may be due to them under the Authority of this Act, or it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from Time to Time, to sell such Exchequer Bonds or any of them, and such Exchequer Bills, to be issued under the Authority of this Act, or any of them, and the several Sums of Money raised by the Issue or Sale of any such Exchequer Bonds or Exchequer Bills shall be paid to the Credit of Her Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of *England*. The Treasury may cause Exchequer Bonds to be issued.

XII. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from Time to Time, subject to the Provisions herein contained, by Warrant under their Hands to prescribe and regulate the Manner and Form in which Exchequer Bonds to be made out and issued under this Act shall be made out and issued, and how and by what Officer or Officers such Exchequer Bonds shall be signed or otherwise authenticated, and to provide for the Manner of Payment of the Interest accruing thereon, and for the Issue, if they think fit, of Receipts or Certificates for such Interest annexed to such Bonds or otherwise, and also to provide for the Issue of new Bonds in lieu of any such Bonds worn or defaced which may be delivered up to be cancelled, and for the Issue of New Bonds in lieu of such Exchequer Bonds as may be lost, at such Times, upon such Securities and under such Conditions and Precautions as they may think fit, and generally to make such Regulations for the Safety and Convenience of the Holders of such Bonds, and the Payment of Interest upon the Production or Delivery Treasury to regulate the Issue of Exchequer Bonds.

of such Receipts or Certificates, or otherwise, as they may think fit; and it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, by such Regulations as aforesaid, to provide, if they shall see fit, for the Registration of any such Bonds as may be delivered up by the Holders thereof for that Purpose, and for the Delivery of Certificates of such Registration in lieu thereof, which shall be transferable by Entries in a Register which may be provided for that Purpose in such Manner and subject to such Conditions and Restrictions as the said Commissioners may see fit, and every such Warrant shall from Time to Time be published in the *London Gazette*.

Treasury empowered to direct Comptroller General to deliver such Amount of Exchequer Bonds or Bills from Time to Time to such Persons as they think fit.

XIII. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to direct the Comptroller General of the Exchequer from Time to Time to deliver such Amount of Exchequer Bonds or Exchequer Bills, prepared in pursuance of this Act, as the said Commissioners shall from Time to Time think fit, to such Person or Officer as may be named in any Warrant to be issued by the said Commissioners for such Purpose, and such Person or Officer shall thereafter become chargeable and be charged with such Amount of Exchequer Bonds or Exchequer Bills as may be delivered to him, subject to such Directions as may be issued to him by the said Commissioners for the Sale and Application of the Proceeds of such Exchequer Bonds or Exchequer Bills, or for delivering such Bonds in exchange for Scrip Receipts as herein-before provided for, and such Person or Officer shall be discharged from all Account in respect of such Exchequer Bonds and Exchequer Bills on proving to the Satisfaction of the Commissioners for auditing the public Accounts that he has duly obeyed the Directions of the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury: Provided always, that the said Commissioners shall not be authorized to direct the Issue of such Exchequer Bonds or Exchequer Bills to such Person or Officer, except for the Purpose of raising Money, to be paid to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of *England*, or to be exchanged for Scrip Receipts to be cancelled.

Appropriation.

XIV. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from Time to Time, by Warrant under their Hands, to direct the Issue and Application of any Monies paid into the Bank of *England* to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer under the Authority of this Act to any Services which shall have been or shall be voted by the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in the present Session of Parliament, or to the purchasing of any Exchequer Bonds issued under the Authority of the Acts passed in the Session holden in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Years of Her present Majesty, Chapters Twenty-three and One hundred and thirty-two, or of any Exchequer Bills charged on the Aids or Supplies of the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four: Provided always, that if such Exchequer Bonds or Exchequer Bills so purchased shall be re-issued, the Monies arising from such Re-issue shall be paid to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of *England:* Provided also, that an Account of the Application of any such Monies by Warrant of the said Commissioners shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within Six Weeks after the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

Bank of England may advance 4,000,000*l.* on the Credit of Bonds or Bills, and Commissioners of National Debt may invest Money in hand on account of Savings Banks in the Purchase of Bonds.

XV. It shall be lawful for the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* to advance or lend to Her Majesty, upon the Credit of the Exchequer Bonds and Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Four Millions; anything in an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of King *William* and Queen *Mary*, intituled *An Act for granting to Their Majesties several Rates and Duties upon the Tonnage of Ships and Vessels, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, and for securing certain Recompenses and Advantages in the said Act mentioned to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds towards carrying on the War against* France, or in any subsequent Act, to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding; and also for the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to invest in the Purchase of Exchequer Bonds issued under the Authority of this Act any Monies in their Hands on account of Savings Banks.

Relief in case Exchequer

XVI. In case Proof shall be made, on the Oath or Oaths of One or more Witness or Witnesses, before the Lord Chief Baron and other the Barons of the Coif of Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer, or any of them, that any Exchequer Bond issued under this Act, and

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not paid off, shall by Casualty or Mischance have been burnt or otherwise destroyed, and if by such Oath or Oaths the Numbers and Sums of such Bond or Bonds shall be ascertained, and the said Chief Baron and other Barons, or any of them, before whom such Oath or Oaths shall be made, shall certify that he or they is or are satisfied with such Proof, then and in every such Case the Commissioners of the Treasury are hereby authorized to cause another Bond or other Bonds of equal Amount to be issued, in lieu of such Bond or Bonds so burnt or destroyed; provided the Person or Persons so receiving such new Bond or Bonds do give Security to the Queen, to the Satisfaction of the Commissioners of the Treasury, to deliver up to the Exchequer to be cancelled the Bond or Bonds so certified to be burnt or destroyed, if the same shall be thereafter found or produced, and to pay into the Receipt of the Exchequer, to the Use of the Public, all such Monies as shall have been paid out of the Exchequer as Principal or Interest on the new Bond or Bonds which may have been issued under this Provision.

Bonds should be accidentally destroyed.

XVII. If any Person shall forge or alter, or shall offer, utter, dispose of, or put off, knowing the same to be forged or altered, any Exchequer Bond, or any Receipt or Certificate for Interest accruing thereon, issued under this Act, such Person shall be guilty of Felony, and upon Conviction thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for Life, or for any Term not less than Fourteen Years, or to be kept in Penal Servitude for Life or for any Term not less than Two Years.

Persons forging Exchequer Bonds, &c. guilty of Felony.

XVIII. Every Person who shall make, or cause or procure to be made, or shall aid or assist in making, or shall knowingly have in his Possession, not being legally authorized by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue or Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and without lawful Excuse, (the Proof whereof shall lie on the Person accused,) any Instrument having therein any Words, Letters, Figures, Marks, Lines, or Devices peculiar to and appearing in the Substance of any Paper provided or to be provided or used for Exchequer Bonds, or any Machinery for working any Threads into the Substance of any Paper, or any such Thread, and intended to imitate such Words, Letters, Figures, Marks, Lines, Threads, or Devices, or any Plate peculiarly employed for printing Exchequer Bonds, or any Die peculiarly used for preparing any such Plate, or for sealing such Exchequer Bonds, or any Plate or Die intended to imitate such Plates or Dies respectively; and also every Person, except as before excepted, who shall make, or cause or procure to be made, or aid or assist in making, any Paper in the Substance of which shall appear any Words, Letters, Figures, Marks, Lines, Threads, or other Devices peculiar to and appearing in the Substance of any Paper provided or to be provided or used for Exchequer Bonds, or any Part of such Words, Letters, Figures, Marks, Lines, Threads, or other Devices, and intended to imitate the same; and also every Person, except as before excepted, who shall knowingly have in his Possession without lawful Excuse (the Proof whereof shall lie on the Person accused) any Paper whatever in the Substance whereof shall appear any such Words, Letters, Figures, Marks, Lines, Threads, or Devices as aforesaid, or any Part of such Words, Letters, Figures, Marks, Lines, Threads, or Devices, and intended to imitate the same, and also every Person, except as before excepted, who shall cause or assist in causing any such Words, Letters, Figures, Marks, Lines, Threads, or Devices as aforesaid, or any Part of such Words, Letters, Figures, Marks, Lines, Threads, or other Devices, and intended to imitate the same, to appear in the Substance of any Paper whatever, or who shall take or assist in taking any Impression of any such Plate or Die as aforesaid, shall be guilty of Felony.

Punishing Persons manufacturing or using Paper, Plates, or Dies intended to imitate those used for Exchequer Bonds.

XIX. Every Person not lawfully authorized and without lawful Excuse (the Proof whereof shall lie on the Person accused) who shall purchase or receive or take and have in his Custody any Paper manufactured and provided by or under the Directions of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue or Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Purpose of being used as Exchequer Bonds before such Paper shall have been duly stamped, signed, and issued for public Use, or any such Plate or Die as aforesaid, shall for every such Offence be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and being convicted thereof shall, at the Discretion of the Court before whom he shall be tried, be imprisoned for any Period not more than Three Years nor less than Six Calendar Months.

Persons unlawfully having in possession Paper, Plates, or Dies to be used for Exchequer Bonds guilty of a Misdemeanor.