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fixed at the Sum of One thousand Pounds *per Annum*: And whereas since the passing of the said Act Her present Majesty has been pleased (in pursuance of the Powers and Provisions of an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to provide for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in* England *and* Wales,) to grant a Charter of Incorporation to the said Township of *Manchester*, and the adjoining Townships of *Chorlton-upon-Medlock*, *Hulme*, *Ardwick*, *Cheetham*, and the extra-parochial District of *Beswick*, and also to grant a Charter of Incorporation to the said Township of *Salford*, and Part of the adjoining Township of *Broughton*, and has by such several Charters conferred upon the said incorporated Boroughs of *Manchester* and *Salford* respectively all the Powers and Provisions of the said last-mentioned Act: And whereas a separate Commission of the Peace has been granted to and for the Borough of *Manchester*, and a salaried Police Magistrate has been appointed for the same Borough; and by an Act passed in the Eighth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to alter and amend an Act of the Fifty-third Year of King* George *the Third, for the Appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate to act within the Townships of* Manchester *and* Salford, all the Powers and Provisions of the said recited Act of the Fifty-third Year of King *George* the Third, so far as they authorized, directed, or required the Payment by the said Township of *Manchester* of any Part of the Salary payable to the Police Magistrate thereunder appointed, or which authorized the making or levying of any Rate within the said Township of *Manchester* for the Purpose of raising such Salary or any Part thereof, and also any Provisions which directed, authorized, or required the Payment to the said Township of *Manchester*, or to any Person or Persons on behalf of such Township, of any Part or Portion of the Recognizances taken and estreated in the said County Palatine of *Lancaster*, have been repealed: And whereas the several Townships or Places of *Worsley*, *Barton-upon-Irwell*, *Clifton*, *Pendlebury*, *Pendleton*, *Flixton*, *Urmston*, *Blakely*, *Bradford*, *Broughton*, *Burnage*, *Chorlton-with-Hardy*, *Crumpsall*, *Didsbury*, *Failsworth*, *Gorton*, *Harpurhey*, *Lavenshulme*, *Moss-side*, *Moston*, *Newton*, *Openshaw*, *Reddish*, *Rusholme*, *Salford*, *Stretford*, *Withington*, *Great Heaton*, *Little Heaton*, *Prestwich*, and *Heaton Norris*, now compose the Division of *Manchester*, and have hitherto had the Benefit of the Services of the Justice appointed under the said herein-before first-recited Act; and it is desirable, for the due and uniform Administration of Justice within the said Division, which contains a Population of One hundred and fifty thousand or thereabouts, and for the Protection and Security of the Persons and Property of the Inhabitants thereof, that a fit and proper Person appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act should continue to execute the Office of a Justice of the Peace within the said Division, and to receive a competent Remuneration for his Trouble: And whereas it is just and expedient that the said Municipal Borough of *Salford* should contribute a definite Portion of the Salary payable to the said Justice, and that such Part of the said Townships of *Broughton* and *Heaton Norris* as are not included in either of the said Boroughs of *Salford* and *Stockport*, and all the said other Townships, Parts of Townships, or Places herein-before enumerated or mentioned, and

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now composing the Division of *Manchester* as aforesaid, should also contribute to the Payment of such Salary; and with that Intent it is necessary that the Provisions of the said first-recited Act should be amended, and that Provision should be made for the Appointment and Payment of Clerks to the said Justice, and that the said Act should be in other respects varied and altered: May it therefore please 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, That from and after the First Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and forty-five so much of the said recited Act of the Fifty-third Year of King *George* the Third as requires or directs that the Justice to be appointed as therein mentioned shall reside within One Mile of the Exchange in *Manchester* or of the *New Bailey* Court House in *Salford* aforesaid, and so much thereof as requires or directs that the said Justice shall attend daily (*Sundays* excepted) at the *New Bailey* Court House aforesaid, and also so much thereof as directs or authorizes the Payment of a Salary of One thousand Pounds *per Annum* to the said Justice, and the levying or raising the same by Rate or otherwise, shall be and the same is hereby repealed. Repeal of Parts of first-recited Act.

II. And be it enacted, That the Justice appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act as aforesaid may reside at any Place within either of the Municipal Boroughs of *Manchester* and *Salford*, or elsewhere within the said Division of *Manchester*. Residence of the Justice.

III. And be it enacted, That the said Justice shall daily (except on *Sundays*, *Christmas Day*, and *Good Friday*, and such other Days as herein-after excepted,) attend at the *New Bailey* Court House in *Salford* aforesaid for the Transaction and Disposal of Business and Matters within his Jurisdiction arising or happening elsewhere than within the Limits of the said Municipal Borough of *Salford*, and shall also Three Days in each Week attend and hold Sittings at the Town Hall in the Borough of *Salford* aforesaid for the Transaction and Disposal of such Business and Matters only as shall arise or happen within the Limits of the said Municipal Borough of *Salford* and not elsewhere. Sittings of the Justice in Salford.

IV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That from and after the said First Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and forty-five, and after proper Court Houses and other Accommodations shall have been provided for the Administration of Justice at the Cost of the Townships or Places next herein-after mentioned, the said Justice shall attend and hold a Sitting on One Day at least in every Fortnight at or within the said Townships of *Worsley* and *Barton-upon-Irwell*, or one of them, and also within the said Townships of *Heaton Norris* and *Stretford* respectively. Sittings in Worsley, &c.

V. Provided also, that as it is expedient and necessary that the Justices acting at *Worsley* and *Barton-upon-Irwell*, or one of them, and *Heaton Norris*, should hold more frequent Sittings at *Worsley* or *Barton-upon-Irwell*, or one of them, and at *Heaton Norris*, on account of the extensive Population of those Townships respectively, than In case of holding more frequent Sittings at Worsley, &c. the Justices may

appoint a separate Clerk for each of the Places.

than is herein provided for the sitting of the Stipendiary Justice, be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the County Justices acting at such Townships respectively to hold such more frequent Sittings; and in that Case the Justices acting in and for the said Division shall appoint a separate Clerk for each of the said Places, with Salaries not exceeding Fifty Pounds *per Annum* for each Clerk, to attend such Sittings as well as the Sitting in such Townships as are herein provided for; and all Fees taken and received at any such Sittings shall be brought into the Fee Fund, and paid over to the Treasurer thereof, as herein provided: Provided always, that the same Course of Proceeding for the Appointment of a Clerk for each of the said Places, or for his Removal, shall be observed as is herein directed with respect to the Appointment or Removal of the Clerk for Divisional Business.

Justices of Division may direct a Sitting to be periodically holden within any other of the Townships.

VI. Provided also, and be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Lancaster* acting in and for the said Division of *Manchester*, at any Meeting of such Justices holden for the Purpose, and of which Meeting and of the Object thereof Ten Days Notice at least, by Post or otherwise, shall have been given to every such Justice, if they shall think it expedient so to do, from Time to Time to fix and direct a Sitting or Sittings to be periodically holden by the Justice so appointed or to be appointed as aforesaid at or within any other or others of the said Townships or Places herein-before mentioned as now composing the said Division of *Manchester*, and the said Justice shall from Time to Time attend and hold his Sitting at or within the Township or Townships to be so fixed for that Purpose accordingly.

Providing for Attendance of Justice at Salford being supplied by any other Justice, and regulating Times of sitting in other Places than New Bailey Court House.

VII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the Attendance of the said Justice, either at the said *New Bailey* Court House or Town Hall in *Salford*, or elsewhere, as aforesaid, may be supplied by any other Justice of the Peace for the said County Palatine of *Lancaster*, and also as regards the Sittings at the Town Hall in *Salford* by any Justice of the Peace of or for the Borough of *Salford*: Provided also, that the said Justice shall not be required to attend at the *New Bailey* Court House or at the Town Hall in *Salford* aforesaid on any Day which shall be appointed for his sitting or Attendance elsewhere than at one of those Places: Provided nevertheless, that the Number of Days on which the said Justice shall attend or hold Sittings elsewhere than at the *New Bailey* Court House or the Town Hall in *Salford* aforesaid shall not exceed Three Days in a Week.

Justices of the Peace for Lancashire and for the Borough of Salford to have Jurisdiction within such Borough.

VIII. And be it enacted, That all Offences, Business, and Matters whatsoever committed or arising within the Limits of the said Municipal Borough of *Salford* shall be cognizable, not only by the Justice or Justices for the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, but also by the Justice or Justices of or for the said Municipal Borough; and all and every such Justice or Justices of or for the said Municipal Borough shall in and for the said Borough have all such and the like Powers and Jurisdiction whatsoever, as fully and effectually, in all respects whatsoever, as all and every the Justice or Justices of the said County Palatine of *Lancaster* acting in and for the said Division of *Manchester*

Manchester have or hath or shall or may have in and for the said Division.

Authorizing the Suspension of Sittings directed by Justices elsewhere than at New Bailey Court House.

IX. And be it enacted, That the Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Lancaster* acting in and for the Divison of *Manchester* aforesaid shall have the Power, at any Meeting of such Justices, of which Meeting and of the Object thereof Ten Days Notice shall have been previously sent or given to every such Justice, by Post or otherwise, to direct that any Sitting or Sittings of the said Justice for the Time being appointed under the said first-recited Act, previously directed to be held elsewhere than at the *New Bailey* Court House or Town Hall in *Salford*, or within the said Townships of *Worsley* and *Barton-upon-Irwell*, or one of them, or within the Townships of *Heaton Norris* and *Stretford* aforesaid, as herein-before authorized, shall be suspended or discontinued, and the same shall be thereupon suspended or discontinued accordingly.

For Appointment of Divisional Clerk to the Justices, and their Removal.

X. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Justices acting in and for the Division of *Manchester* aforesaid, and they are hereby required, at any Meeting to be holden for the Purpose, and of which Meeting and of the Object thereof Ten Days previous Notice shall have been sent or given to every such Justice, by Post or otherwise, to appoint One fit Person, and that it shall be lawful for the Justices in and for the Municipal Borough of *Salford* and the Stipendiary Justice to be appointed as aforesaid, and they are hereby required, to appoint another fit Person, to be respectively Clerks to the said Justice for the Time being appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act as aforesaid, and so from Time to Time as often as there shall be a Vacancy in the Office of either of such Clerks, by Death, Resignation, Removal, or otherwise, the said Justices respectively re-appointing upon all Vacancies to the Office of the Clerks originally appointed by such Justices respectively as aforesaid: Provided always, that the said Clerks respectively may be removed from their said Office, the one appointed by the said Justices at the Pleasure of the said Justices acting in and for the said Division of *Manchester*, signified by any Resolution or Order of such Justices at a Meeting, whereof and of the Object thereof Ten Days previous Notice shall have been sent or given to every such Justice as aforesaid, and the other of such Clerks at the Pleasure of the Justices of and for the Municipal Borough of *Salford* aforesaid and the Stipendiary Justice aforesaid: Provided also, that the Clerk to be appointed by the said Justices acting in and for the Division as aforesaid shall be attendant upon the said Justice appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act as aforesaid, for the Transaction and Disposal of all Business and Matters arising or happening within the said Division of *Manchester* elsewhere than within the Limits of the said Municipal Borough of *Salford*, and shall be called the Clerk for Divisional Business, but he shall not be required to attend any Sittings at or within the Townships of *Worsley* or *Barton-upon-Irwell* or *Heaton Norris*; and that the Clerk to be appointed by the Justices of and for the Municipal Borough of *Salford* as aforesaid and the Stipendiary Justice as aforesaid shall be attendant upon the said Justice for the Transaction and Disposal of

all Business and Matters arising or happening within the Limits of the said Municipal Borough of *Salford*, and shall be called the Clerk for Borough Business.

Authorizing the Payment of Stipend to the Justice and to the Clerk.

XI. And be it enacted, That so long as the said Justice for the Time being appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act, and the said Clerk to such Justice for Divisional Business, shall respectively continue to discharge the Duties of their said respective Offices, there shall be paid out of the Funds or Monies by this Act directed and authorized to be raised or provided for that Purpose, to the said Justice the yearly Sum of Eight hundred Pounds, and to the said Clerk to such Justice for Divisional Business a yearly Sum not exceeding Five hundred Pounds, which said last-mentioned yearly Sum shall be paid to and received by the said Clerk in lieu of all Fees and Monies which he may legally demand or receive by virtue or in respect of his said Office or Employment, and which are herein-after directed to be paid over by him to the Credit of the General Fee Fund herein-after mentioned, and shall include as well the Remuneration for the Services of such Clerk as the Payments he may be required to make for all necessary Assistants, the said several Sums to be paid by Four equal quarterly Payments, and so *pro rata* a Proportion of such quarterly Payments up to the Time of the Death of the said Officers respectively, or their respectively ceasing to act.

300*l.* per Annum to be paid out of the Salford Borough Fund towards the Justice's Salary.

XII. And be it enacted, That so long as the said Justice appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act as aforesaid shall continue to discharge the Duties of his said Office as aforesaid the yearly Sum of Three hundred Pounds shall be paid out of the Borough Fund of the said Municipal Borough of *Salford*, as the Contribution or Quota of the said Municipal Borough towards the said yearly Salary herein-before directed to be paid to the said Justice as aforesaid, and for that Purpose the Treasurer of the said Municipal Borough for the Time being shall out of the Borough Fund pay the said yearly Sum of Three hundred Pounds, by Four equal quarterly Payments in every Year, to the Treasurer for the Time being of the General Fee Fund herein-after mentioned and directed to be formed, or if there shall be no such Treasurer, to the said Clerk to the said Justice for Divisional Business, who shall carry the same to the Credit of the said General Fee Fund, to be applied as Part thereof; and such Payments shall discharge the said Municipal Borough of *Salford* from all further Liability whatsoever, in respect of the Period or Periods on account of which such Payments shall have been made, to contribute to the Salary herein-before directed to be paid to the said Justice as aforesaid, or to the said General Fee Fund, on any other Account whatsoever, nor shall the said Municipal Borough of *Salford* or any Officer thereof be in any way responsible for the Application of the said General Fee Fund or any Part thereof.

Town Council of Salford may order a Sum not exceeding 400*l.* to be paid

XIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Council of the said Borough of *Salford* at any Time or Times to order and direct the Payment out of the Borough Fund of the said Municipal Borough to the said Clerk to the said Justice for Borough Business, for the Services of himself and any Assistant or Assistants in that Office,

Office, of such yearly or other Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the whole the yearly Sum of Four hundred Pounds, and at such Times and in such Manner as the said Council shall think reasonable and proper in that Behalf; and the Treasurer of the said Borough shall thereupon pay such Sum or Sums of Money accordingly out of the said Borough Fund, the same to be received by such Clerk in lieu of all Fees and Monies which he may legally demand or receive by virtue or in respect of his said Office or Employment, and which he is herein-after directed to pay over to the Treasurer of the said Borough in aid of the Borough Fund. to the Clerk out of the Borough Fund.

XIV. And be it enacted, That from and after the First Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and forty-five no Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Lancaster* acting in and for the said Division of *Manchester*, nor any Clerk of any such Justice, nor any Person on behalf of any such Justice or Clerk, shall directly or indirectly, upon any Pretence whatever, take or receive any Fee, Reward, Gratuity, or Recompence for any Act or Business by any such Justice or Clerk done or to be done in the Execution of his said Office or Employment within the said Division elsewhere than at the said *New Bailey* Court House or the said Town Hall in *Salford* aforesaid, or at *Worsley* or *Barton-upon-Irwell* or at *Heaton Norris*, or such other Place or Places as is, are, or shall be appointed under the Authority of this Act for the Sitting or Sittings of the said Justice for the Time being appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act as aforesaid, upon pain of forfeiting the Sum of One hundred Pounds for every such Offence, one Moiety thereof to the said Clerk for Divisional Business of the said Justice so appointed or to be appointed as aforesaid, to be by him carried to the Account of the Fee Fund herein-after mentioned, and to be considered Part of and applicable to the same Purposes as the said Fund, and the other Moiety thereof, with full Costs of Suit, to the Person who shall sue for the same in any of Her Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*; and that any Summons or other Process which shall after the said First Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and forty-five be issued by any Justice of the Peace of the County of *Lancaster*, requiring any Person residing within the said Division of *Manchester* to appear at any Place without the said Division to answer any Information or Complaint touching any Matter arising within the said Division, shall be utterly void and of none effect, any Law, Custom, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding; provided that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to any Fees taken, payable, or demandable at any General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace. No Fees to be taken but at the public Places of Sitting. Process returnable at any Place without the Division void.

XV. And be it enacted, That the said Clerk of the said Justice appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act for Borough Business as aforesaid, or some Person to be appointed for that Purpose by the Council of the said Borough, shall receive all Fees and Monies chargeable and to be received for and in respect of any Act, Business, or Matter to be done or transacted by any Justice or Justices, or any Clerk or Clerks of any Justice or Justices, in the Execution or by virtue of his or their Office or Employment as Justice Clerk to the Justice for Borough Business to receive all Fees, and keep an Account thereof, and pay them to the Trea-

surer of the Borough.

Justice of Peace or Clerk as aforesaid at the said Town Hall in *Salford* aforesaid, and shall keep a full, true, and particular Account in Writing of all such Fees and Monies, and shall once in every Quarter of a Year, or oftener if required, render such Account to the Council of the said Municipal Borough of *Salford* (the said Account to be verified by the Declaration of the said Clerk for Borough Business before some Justice of the Peace acting in and for the said Division of *Manchester* or Borough of *Salford*, which Declaration every or any such Justice is hereby empowered to receive), and shall, at such Time and in such Manner as the said Council shall direct, pay all such Fees and Monies as he shall so from Time to Time receive unto the Treasurer for the Time being of the said Borough of *Salford*, who shall carry the same to the Account and Credit of the Borough Fund of the same Borough, to be applied as Part thereof.

Clerk to Justice for Divisional Business to receive Fees, and render an Account thereof;

XVI. And be it enacted, That the said Clerk to the said Justice appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act for Divisional Business as aforesaid shall receive all Fees and Monies chargeable and to be received in respect of any Act or Business to be done or transacted by any Justice or Justices, or the Clerk or Clerks of any Justice or Justices, in the Execution or by virtue of his or their Office or Employment as Justice of Peace or Clerk as aforesaid at the said *New Bailey* Court House in *Salford* aforesaid, or at any other Place or Places (other than and except the said Town Hall in *Salford* aforesaid, and other than and except *Worsley* or *Barton-upon-Irwell* and *Heaton Norris* aforesaid,) appointed or to be from Time to Time appointed for the sitting of the said Stipendiary Justice, as herein-before provided, and shall keep a full, true, and particular Account in Writing of all such Fees and Monies, and shall once in every Quarter of a Year, or oftener if required, render to the said Justices acting in and for the said Division of *Manchester* a true Account, verified by the Declaration of the said Clerk before some Justice acting in and for the said Division (which Declaration every or any such Justice is hereby empowered and authorized to receive), of all Fees and Monies received by him, and of all Payments made thereout, under the Authority of this Act, during the Period of such Account, in such Form and with such Particulars as the said Justices acting for the Division aforesaid shall from Time to Time require;

as also the Clerks for Worsley, &c.

and the same Duties shall be performed in like Manner by the said Clerks respectively to be appointed for *Worsley* or *Barton-upon-Irwell* and *Heaton Norris* aforesaid, as fully as if the same were herein repeated with respect to them respsctively.

Fees received by Clerk for Divisional Business and by the Clerks for Worsley, &c. to be carried to Account of a General Fund.

XVII. And be it enacted, That all Fees and Monies which the said Clerk for Divisional Business or the Clerk for *Worsley* or *Barton-upon-Irwell* and *Heaton Norris* respectively shall so receive as aforesaid shall be carried to the Account of a General Fund, to be called "The Fee Fund of the Justices for the Division of *Manchester*," and which Fund, or so much thereof as shall not be from Time to Time required or applied for the Purposes herein-after mentioned, shall be placed and remain in such Bank within the Town of *Manchester* or *Salford* as the Justices acting for the said Division shall from Time to Time direct: Provided always, that it shall be lawful

for the said Justices, at any Meeting holden and previously notified as herein-before mentioned, if they shall think it necessary or expedient so to do, from Time to Time to appoint any fit Person to be Treasurer of the said Fee Fund, with such yearly or other Salary or Allowance, not exceeding the yearly Sum of Eighty Pounds, to be paid out of the same Fund, as the said Justices shall think fit, and to take such Security, in such Form and Manner as may be deemed requisite or advisable for the due Performance of his Office, such Treasurer to be removable from his said Office at the Pleasure of the said Justices; and the said Justices shall have Power from Time to Time to make all such Orders and Regulations for securing the same Fund, and for keeping the Accounts relative thereto, as to such Justices shall seem expedient; and the said Fund shall be from Time to Time applied in or towards the Payment of the respective Salaries, Printing, Stationery, and other Charges and Expences by this Act directed or authorized to be paid thereout, and the Expences consequent upon any Sittings which may be held elsewhere than at the *New Bailey* Court House or at the Town Hall in *Salford* aforesaid, in pursuance of this Act.

Clerks disqualified from acting as Attornies in certain Cases.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That no Clerk appointed under this Act, except as herein-after provided, shall during the Continuance of his Office, or within Six Calendar Months after he shall have resigned or shall have been removed from such Office, be concerned, either by himself or any Partner, or in any Manner, directly or indirectly, as an Attorney or Agent in any Matter brought or to be brought before the Justices whose Clerk he is, or in any Prosecution at any Court of Sessions of the Peace, or of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, arising out of or consequent upon any Proceeding before the Justices whose Clerk he is; and any Clerk who shall offend against this Enactment shall forfeit the Sum of Fifty Pounds, to be recovered, by any Person who will sue for the same, by Action of Debt or Information, to be commenced within Six Calendar Months next after the Commission of the Offence; but nothing herein contained shall subject any such Clerk to any Penalty for any Act done by him in the Discharge of his official Duty: Provided also, that the said Clerk for Borough Business, being paid by a fixed Salary in lieu of Fees and other Emoluments as aforesaid, both for his Services as Clerk to the said Justices and for conducting Prosecutions, may continue to conduct any Prosecutions at the General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, or any adjourned Sessions thereof, or at the Assizes, for any Offence committed within the Municipal Borough of *Salford*, provided that such Clerk account for and pay over all Fees and Emoluments arising from such Prosecutions or received by him to the Treasurer of the said Borough, in aid of the Borough Fund.

Justices may make Rates for Payment of Expences under this Act.

XIX. And be it enacted, That for better providing for and securing the Payment of the several Salaries, Charges, and Expences payable under this Act, it shall be lawful for the Justices of the Peace acting in and for the said County of *Lancaster*, at any General Quarter Sessions of the Peace holden by Adjournment within the Hundred of *Salford* aforesaid, and they are hereby required, from Time to Time to make a Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments (not exceeding the Amount herein-after limited) on all the rateable

Property within the Limits of the said several Townships, Parts of Townships, or Places not included within the Limits of the said Municipal Boroughs of *Salford* and *Stockport*, and which, together with the said Municipal Borough of *Salford*, are within the said Division of *Manchester* as aforesaid, for the Purpose of raising so much Money as, together with the Fee Fund herein-before mentioned (the Amount or probable Amount of which shall from Time to Time be ascertained or estimated by the said Justices as correctly as may be), shall be sufficient for the Payment of the said several Salaries, Charges, and Expences herein mentioned; such Rate or Rates, Assessment or Assessments, to be made in the same Manner as is now by Law directed, authorized, or practised for making County Rates.

Mode of ascertaining Value of rateable Property.

XX. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the annual Value of the rateable Property within the Limits of the said several Townships, Parts of Townships, or Places rateable under this Act as aforesaid, as such Value shall have been or from Time to Time may be ascertained and determined for the Purpose of assessing the County Rate upon or within the same Townships, Parts of Townships, or Places respectively, shall or may be from Time to Time adopted and taken by the said Justices as the Basis of any Assessment and Rating to be made by them for the Purposes of this Act as aforesaid, without any separate or other Valuation of such Property or any Part thereof being made or required.

Powers of County Rate Acts applied to this Act.

XXI. And be it enacted, That all and every the Powers, Authorities, Provisions, Clauses, and Regulations given or contained by or in any Act or Acts of Parliament now subsisting and in force for or relating to the making, assessing, collecting, levying, paying, or enforcing of County Rates in *England*, shall, so far as the Nature of the Case will admit, and except as is herein otherwise specially provided, be deemed and taken to apply to the said Rate or Rates so by this Act directed or authorized to be made as aforesaid, as if the same Powers, Authorities, Provisions, Clauses, and Regulations were here severally repeated and re-enacted with reference to such Rate or Rates, and in the same Manner, and as fully and effectually, in all respects, as if such Rate or Rates respectively were a County Rate assessed or to be assessed upon the said several Townships, Parts of Townships, or Places intended to be hereby made liable to the Payment thereof as aforesaid: Provided always, that the Sum to be raised by a Rate or Rates under the Authority of this Act as aforesaid shall not in any One Year exceed the Sum of One Penny in the Pound upon the annual Value of the rateable Property in the several Townships, Parts of Townships, or Places aforesaid.

Overseers of the Poor to levy the Rates.

XXII. Provided also, and be it enacted, That the Overseer or Overseers of the Poor of the said several Townships or Places liable to the Payment of the Rate to be made under the Authority of this Act as aforesaid, and as regards such Portions of the said Townships of *Heaton Norris* and *Broughton* respectively as are not included in the said several Municipal Boroughs of *Stockport* and *Salford* respectively, the respective Overseers of the Poor of the same Townships,

ships, or other the Person or Persons whose Duty it shall be to collect and levy the said Rate, shall, within the Time to be limited or expressed for that Purpose in or by the Order of the said Justices making such Rate as aforesaid, which Order shall of itself, and without any other Precept or Warrant whatsoever, be a sufficient Authority for the levying of the said Rate by such Overseer or Overseers, or other Person or Persons whose Duty it shall be to levy the same as aforesaid, levy and collect such Rate, and pay the Amount thereof into the Hands of the said Treasurer of the said Fee Fund, or, if there be no such Treasurer, into the Hands of the said Clerk for Divisional Business, who shall carry the same to the Account of the said Fee Fund herein-before directed to be formed as aforesaid, and the same, together with the said Fees or other Monies to be from Time to Time received by the said Treasurer or Clerk for Divisional Business as aforesaid, shall constitute One aggregate Fund applicable for the Payment of the said several Salaries and other Charges and Payments by this Act directed or authorized to be paid thereout; and in case any such Overseer or Overseers of the Poor, or other Person or Persons whose Duty it shall be to collect or levy such Rate as aforesaid, shall neglect, make default, or refuse to pay the same within the Time to be limited or specified for that Purpose as aforesaid, to the said Treasurer or Clerk hereby appointed and authorized to receive the same as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for any Justice of the Peace of the said County of *Lancaster*, upon Complaint thereof made by such Treasurer or Clerk as aforesaid, to levy the same by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods.

Application of Penalties.

XXIII. Provided also, and be it enacted, That all or any Forfeitures or Penalties to be inflicted or recoverable under or by virtue of any of the statutable Powers or Provisions hereby extended or made applicable to the said Rate hereby directed to be made and levied as aforesaid, in respect of such Rate, or any Proceeding relating thereunto, shall, when recovered, be paid to the said Treasurer of the said Fee Fund or to the said Clerk for Divisional Business as aforesaid, and shall be by him carried to the Account of the said General Fee Fund, and be applied as Part thereof.

Application of Monies received for Recognizances estreated.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Chancellor and Council of the Duchy of *Lancaster* for the Time being, and they are hereby required, from Time to Time to make Orders upon the Receiver General of the said Duchy to pay over the Amount of Monies (not exceeding the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds in any One Year) which shall or may be hereafter levied or received to Her Majesty's Use upon or by reason of Recognizances taken and estreated in the said County Palatine of *Lancaster*, to the said Treasurer of the Fee Fund aforesaid, or to the said Clerk for Divisional Business, the same to be by such Treasurer or Clerk carried to the Account and to be applied in aid and as Part of the said General Fee Fund hereby directed to be raised or provided as aforesaid, any thing in an Act passed in the Tenth Year of Her late Majesty Queen *Anne*, intituled *An Act for the better Support of Her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown*, or any other Law or Statute

Statute to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall control or abridge the Powers of the said Chancellor and Council to relieve and mitigate estreated Recognizances and Levies made therein in certain Cases of Hardship and Distress, as they are used to do.

Certain Powers of first-recited Act to remain in force.

XXV. And be it declared and enacted, That all and every the Powers, Authorities, Provisions, and Enactments given by or contained in the said herein-before first-recited Act, except as the same or any of them are expressly repealed or altered by or shall be inconsistent with the Provisions of this Act, shall remain in full force and virtue as if this Act had not been passed.

For Payment of Expences of Act.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That one Moiety of the Costs, Charges, and Expences of or incident to the soliciting, obtaining, and passing this Act, or which have been incurred with reference to the Object thereof, shall be paid out of the Borough Fund of the said Borough of *Salford*, and the Treasurer of the same Borough is hereby directed and required to pay the same accordingly; and the other Moiety thereof shall be paid out of the said General Fee Fund to be raised under the Authority and for the Purposes of this Act, as aforesaid.

Interpretation of Words.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That the several Words used in this Act shall bear the following Interpretation, unless there shall be something in the Subject Matter or Context repugnant thereto; that is to say,

Words importing the Singular Number shall include the Plural Number, and Words importing the Plural Number shall include the Singular:

Words importing the Masculine Gender only shall include Females:

Public Act.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of such.

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