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GEORGI II. REGIS.

Cap. 87.

An Act to amend an Act, passed in the Fifty-first Year of His present Majesty, for erecting a Bridge over the River *Thames*, from the City of *London* to the opposite Bank in the Parish of *Saint Saviour*, in the County of *Surrey*. [21st May 1813.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for erecting a Bridge over the River Thames, from or near the Three Cranes, in the Parishes of Saint James Garlick Hythe and Saint Martin Vintry, in the City of London, to the opposite Bank of the said River, in the Parish of Saint Saviour, in the County of Surrey, and for making proper Streets and Avenues to communicate therewith*, it is, amongst other Things, enacted, that nothing in the said Act contained should extend, or be construed to extend, to authorize and empower the Company of Proprietors, incorporated for the Purposes of the said Act, to take any Lands, Grounds, Houses, Tenements, or Premises, for the Purposes of the said Act, or to proceed with the Works therein authorized to be made, until a sufficient Number of Subscribers should have been obtained who would undertake to raise the Sum of Three Hundred Thousand Pounds, such Subscription to be obtained within the Space of Eighteen Calendar Months from the passing of the said Act, to be proved to the Satisfaction of the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of the City of *London*, or to the Justices of the Peace for the County of *Surrey*, assembled at any General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the said County, and to be subject to all the Provisoos and Enactments therein contained, in respect of any or such Sum or Sums of Money mentioned in the said Act: And whereas many Persons have subscribed to the said Undertaking since the passing of the said Act, but, owing to the peculiar Exigencies of the Times, a sufficient Number of Subscribers have not yet been obtained who will undertake to

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Period for obtaining Subscriptions enlarged.

raise the said Sum of Three hundred thousand Pounds, and the said Period of Eighteen Months expired on the Fifteenth Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and twelve: And whereas the said Company of Proprietors conceive that they shall be enabled to obtain a sufficient Number of Subscribers who will undertake to raise the said Sum of Three hundred thousand Pounds, on being allowed further Time for that Purpose, and it is expedient to amend the said recited Act: May it therefore please Your Majesty 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 the Time for obtaining Subscriptions for raising the said Sum of Three hundred thousand Pounds shall be extended Eighteen Calendar Months from the Day of passing this Act, and that the said recited Act shall operate and be construed, and that all Clauses, Conditions, Powers, Provisoos, and Directions, therein contained, shall be, and continue in full Force and Effect for such extended Period in such and the same or the like Way and Manner, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said extended Period had been inserted in the said recited Act, instead of the said Space of Eighteen Calendar Months from the passing thereof.

How the Piers and Abutments shall be made.

II. And be it further enacted, That the Piers and Abutments of the said intended Bridge shall be constructed and made in a substantial and workman-like Manner, according to the Principles of a Specification hereinafter mentioned, (that is to say), the Ground on which the said Piers and Abutments shall be erected, shall be secured by driving Piles of sufficient Strength, Length, and Number, with Two or more Courses of Timber, (each Course being at least One Foot in Thickness), placed on the Tops of such Piles; and that the said Piles and Courses of Timber for securing the said Piers, shall extend not less than Five Feet in Length, and Five Feet in Breadth at every Part thereof beyond the Shaft and salient Angles of the said intended Piers, so as to cover a Space of Ground nearly Twice the Size of the same Pier at High Water Height; and that the Piles and Courses of Timber for securing the said Abutments, shall be sufficient to render the said Abutments perfectly secure, and to prevent the Possibility of their sinking or giving way; and that the same Piers and Abutments shall be constructed of solid Masonry, the Outside to be cased for at least Two Feet and One-half in Thickness, with *Dundee* Craigheith, or *Derbyshire* Stone, or other Stone of equal good Quality, and the Inside with *Whitby* or other Stone of a Quality equally good, without any Rubble-work either in the said Piers or in the solid Part of the said Abutments, but such Rubble-work may be used in the Wings or Land Arches, or the Abutments of the Wings or dry Arches.

The Piers to be erected One by One before the Abutments, then the Surrey and afterwards the London Abutments.

III. And be it further enacted, That One Pier of the said intended Bridge shall be constructed and finished up to the Springing of the intended Arches, before the other Pier shall be begun, or any Preparation made in the River for that Purpose; and that when the said Pier is completed, the other shall be completed as aforesaid, so that only One of the said Piers shall be constructed at one and the same Time, and that in like Manner the Abutments of the said intended Bridge, on the *Surrey* Side thereof, shall be constructed and completed up to the Springing of the Arch before that on the *London* Side is begun, and when and after the said last-mentioned Abutment

Abutment shall be completed, but not before, the Abutment of the said intended Bridge on the *London* Side thereof shall be constructed and built.

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Company of Proprietors shall not proceed to place or fix, or cause to be placed or fixed, any of the Iron Work on the said intended Piers and Abutments of the said intended Bridge, unless and until the said Piers and Abutments shall have been certified to be well and satisfactorily finished and completed according to the Specification herein-before contained, by *John Rennie*, Civil Engineer, or in case of his Death or Refusal to certify the same, by some Two Engineers, One of them to be appointed for that Purpose by the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of *London*, in Common Council assembled, at the Request of the said Company of Proprietors, and the other by the said Company; and in case such Two Engineers shall not agree as to the making such Certificate, then by such Third Engineer, as shall be appointed by the Two first chosen.

The Piers and Abutments to be certified to have been properly executed before any of the Iron Works are placed on any of the Piers or Abutments.

V. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That so soon as the Monies to be subscribed and raised for the Purposes of the said recited Act, and of this Act, shall amount to the Sum of Two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds, the same Sum of Two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds shall, after setting aside the Sum of Thirty thousand Pounds, Part thereof, be invested in the Three Pounds *per Centum* Consolidated Bank Annuities, in the Names of *Sir Charles Price* and *Sir William Curtis*, Baronets; and of *George Holme Sumner*, *Samuel Thornton*, and *William Mellish*, Esquires, as by the said recited Act is directed, be appropriated and set apart for the Construction and Erection of the said intended Bridge, and no Part thereof shall be applied for improving, widening, or making any Streets, Ways, or Approaches, or any other the Purposes of this Act, until the said intended Bridge shall be in every respect finished and completed: Provided nevertheless, that any Money subscribed and raised after the said Sum of Two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds shall have been appropriated as aforesaid, may be applied for any of the Purposes of the said recited Act, or this Act, in such a Manner as the said Company of Proprietors shall think proper.

Money to be applied to Construction of Bridge.

VI. And be it further enacted, That in case at any Time hereafter the Iron Arches of the said intended Bridge, or any of them, shall fall or give way, so as to obstruct or endanger the Navigation of the said River, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the said City of *London*, in Common Council assembled, or their Agents, Servants or Workmen, to take away the said Iron Work, and other Materials which shall have fallen or given way as aforesaid, and sell the same for their own Benefit, towards defraying the Expences of moving the same, and the Damages occasioned by, or by Means of such Failure as aforesaid, unless the said Company of Proprietors shall forthwith, and with all due Diligence, take away the Iron Work and Materials which shall have so fallen or given way as aforesaid.

If any Arch gives way, Corporation authorized to remove and sell the Iron and Materials which have given way.

VII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the said Company of Proprietors, or Court of Directors, or their Treasurer or Treasurers for the Time being, shall, and they are hereby authorized and required, by and out of the Monies to arise and be received by virtue of the said Act, to pay to the Collectors or Receivers of the Assessments for

Compensation to be made for Loss of Rates and Taxes in the Parish of Saint Mar-

tin's Vintry,
and Saint
James Gar-
lick Hythe.

Land Tax and Poors Rate, Consolidated Rate, or Rate for paving, cleansing, and lighting, Watch Rate, Sewer Rate, and Trophy Tax, within the Parishes of *Saint Martin Vintry* and *Saint James Garlick Hythe*, respectively, or the Ward of *Vintry*, in the City of *London*, all such Sums of Money as shall be deficient in the Produce of the said Assessments, Rates, and Taxes, by reason of the taking down Houses and Buildings, or otherwise in consequence of the Alterations and Works authorized to be made by the said recited Act, according to the Produce of the said several Assessments and Rates and Taxes respectively, from *Lady Day* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, to *Lady Day* One thousand eight hundred and thirteen; and they, the said Collectors or Receivers, may, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, from Time to Time, as often as the said Assessments, Rates, and Taxes shall be made and allowed, or become payable, to demand, recover, and receive the same of and from the said Company of Proprietors, or Court of Directors, or their Treasurer or Treasurers for the Time being, as an Equivalent in lieu of such Assessments, Rates, and Taxes as aforesaid: Provided also, that when and so soon as a sufficient Number of Houses shall be erected and built by virtue of the said recited Act, and shall be rated, or become liable to the Payment of the said Assessments, Rates, and Taxes, and the Rates, Taxes, and Assessments thereof shall amount to as much Money as the Deficiencies aforesaid, that then, and from thenceforth, the Equivalent above mentioned and directed to be paid by the said Company of Proprietors, or Court of Directors, or their Treasurer or Treasurers for the Time being, to the said respective Commissioners and their Successors, and to the said respective Collectors or Receivers as aforesaid, shall cease, and be no longer payable; and that when and so soon as any such House or Houses shall be built, and the Assessments, Rates, and Taxes thereon shall not be sufficient to answer the said Equivalent, that then the said respective Collectors or Receivers shall allow and give Credit to the said Company of Proprietors, or Court of Directors, or their Treasurer or Treasurers for the Time being, for so much Money as shall be received in respect of the said several Assessments, Rates, and Taxes, from the Owners and Occupiers of such House or Houses in discharge of the said Equivalent, as far as the same will extend, they, the said Company of Proprietors, or Court of Directors, or their Treasurer or Treasurers for the Time being, paying, and being liable to pay, the Remainder of the said Equivalent; and in case any Difference or Dispute shall arise, with respect to the Amount of the Equivalent to be paid as aforesaid, by the said Company of Proprietors, or Court of Directors, or their Treasurer or Treasurers for the Time being, the same shall be settled and adjusted by any Two or more of the Aldermen of the City of *London*, whose Adjustment and Determination shall be binding and conclusive on all Parties concerned.

Public Act.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others, without being specially pleaded.

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