

“ back again below the said Boundary of one hundred and fifty Yards from the said Road, then such Sum
 “ as the Proprietors of the *Thames* and *Severn* Navigation, shall think proper; and for all such before enu-
 “ merated Articles, except Coal, passing from the *Stroudwater* Navigation into the new Canal, and not
 “ going thereon further than one hundred and fifty Yards above the aforesaid Road, or going out of the
 “ said new Canal into the *Stroudwater* Navigation, and not having previously at any Time passed along
 “ any Part of the said new Canal above the said Boundary of one hundred and fifty Yards from the said
 “ Road, one Shilling *per* Ton; but for such enumerated Articles, except Coal, passing from the *Stroud-*
 “ *water* Navigation into the new Canal, and going thereon more than one hundred and fifty Yards above
 “ the said Road, and not afterwards returned back again below the said Boundary of one hundred and fifty
 “ Yards from the said Road, or going out of the said new Canal into the *Stroudwater* Navigation, and having
 “ previously at any Time passed along any Part of the said new intended Canal above the said Boundary of one
 “ hundred and fifty Yards from the said Road, then such Sum as the Proprietors of the *Thames* and *Severn* Na-
 “ vigation shall think proper. When the *Thames* and *Severn* Company lower their Rates, the *Stroudwater*
 “ Company are to lower their Rates. The Powers of the *Stroudwater* Company within their own Limits,
 “ not altered; unless they reduce their Rates taken at *Wallbridge*. Materials for making and repairing the
 “ respective Canals to pass free mutually. Persons navigating *Thames* and *Severn* Canal not to land Goods on
 “ *Wallbridge* Wharf without Leave; except Materials whilst the Navigation is making. Boatmen to show
 “ their Pass Tickets. Drains to be made in the Canal to convey the Water from the Lands adjoining, and
 “ how the same shall be maintained. Land-owners aggrieved by the Obstruction of the Company's Water-
 “ courses, may cleanse them, at the Company's Expence. When Cattle deprived of Watering Places,
 “ others to be provided. Clause for fencing off Towing Path, and making Bridges, &c. If the Company
 “ do not fence off the Towing Paths, and make Bridges, &c. Land-owners may do it at the Company's
 “ Expence. If Bridges, &c. made by the Company are insufficient, Land-owners may make others at their
 “ own Expence. The Company enabled to cleanse the adjoining Watercourses at the Land-owners Ex-
 “ pence, if they neglect. Land-owners may erect Warehouses, &c. on their own Lands. Masters to put
 “ their Names on the Outsides of their Boats, and suffer them to be measured, on Penalty of forty Shillings.
 “ Boat-master or Owner made accountable for Damages done by the Crew. Proper Places to be made for
 “ Boats to turn or lie in, for other Boats to pass by. Vessels lying so as to obstruct the Navigation to be re-
 “ moved. Vessels sunk to be weighed up. Persons overloading and obstructing the Passage of the Canal,
 “ to forfeit 5*l.* Persons throwing Ballast into the Canal to forfeit 10*l.* Persons opening the Locks, or
 “ doing other Damage to the Navigation, to forfeit a Sum not more than 5*l.* nor less than 20*s.* at the Dis-
 “ cretion of the Justice. Regulation of Vessels passing the Locks. Vessels passing Locks with less than six
 “ Tons, to pay a Lock Due, and Tonnage for six Tons. Canal not to be under the Power of Com-
 “ missioners of Sewers. Proprietors to be taxed for Lands and Buildings in the same Proportions as ad-
 “ joining Lands and Buildings. Land-owners are allowed to carry Manure Toll-free. Rights of Lords
 “ of Manors and Land-owners to the Fishery reserved. Persons on board having Nets, &c. not being
 “ qualified, forfeit 5*l.* Stones to be erected every Half Mile. Mode of electing new Commissioners.
 “ Their Qualification. Commissioners acting, not being qualified, to forfeit 50*l.* Commissioners to give
 “ Notice of their Meetings. Commissioners to be sworn. The Oath. Commissioners may act as Justices.
 “ No Commissioner to act as such while he possesses any Place of Profit. General Meeting of Commis-
 “ sioners. Meetings upon Request, may be summoned at any Time. No Meeting to determine Disputes,
 “ &c. but within five Miles of the Canal. Writings to be exempted from Stamp-duties. Security to be
 “ taken from the Treasurer, &c. Clause to compel Payment of Subscriptions. Penalties and Forfeitures
 “ how to be recovered and applied. Persons aggrieved by any Irregularity in Distress, to recover only the
 “ Special Damage. Persons aggrieved may appeal to the Quarter Sessions.”

C A P. XXXIX.

An Act for preventing certain Instruments from being required from Ships belonging to the United States of *America*; and to give to his Majesty, for a limited Time, certain Powers for the better carrying on Trade and Commerce between the Subjects of his Majesty's Dominions and the Inhabitants of the said United States.

Preamble.

“ **W**HEREAS it is expedient, for the Purpose of opening a Commercial Intercourse with the Inha-
 “ bitants of the United States of *America*, that certain Restrictions affecting the same should be re-
 “ moved, and that certain Powers should be given, for a limited Time, to his Majesty in Council, for re-
 “ gulating the said Commercial Intercourse; be it therefore 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 no Manifest, Certificate, or other Docu-
 “ ment whatsoever, shall be required for any Ship or Vessel belonging to the said United States of *America*
 “ arriving from thence at any Port in this Kingdom, or upon entering or clearing out from any Port in this
 “ Kingdom, for any Port or Place within the said United States, excepting such Bonds as are required to be
 “ taken, duly to export and not to reland any Goods intitled to a Drawback or Bounty, or which are pro-
 “ hibited to be used or worn in this Kingdom; any Law, Statute, or Custom, to the contrary notwith-
 “ standing.

No Manifest,
 &c. required
 from any Ame-
 rican Vessel on
 coming into or
 clearing out of
 any British Port,
 except Expecta-
 tion Bonds.
 For discharging
 Bonds given for
 landing Goods in
 America.

“ II. And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in any Case where a Certificate is
 “ required to discharge any such Bond, entered into for the due landing such Goods within the said United
 “ States, such Bond shall and may be discharged, upon a Certificate under the Hands and Seals of any Oth-
 “ ers who are or may be appointed by the said United States, or any of them, for that Purpose; and if it
 “ shall

shall happen that there shall not be any Officer so appointed, then, and in such Case, such Bond shall and may be discharged, upon a Certificate, under the Hand and Seal of any Magistrate of the said United States, or any of them, certifying that there is no such Officer at such Port or Place, and that Oath hath been made before such Magistrate, by the Master, or other Person having the Charge of such Ship, that the Goods for which such Certificate is required were duly landed by him within the said United States.

III. And be it further enacted, That, during the Continuance of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for his Majesty in Council, by Order or Orders to be issued and published from Time to Time, to give such Directions, and to make such Regulations, with respect to Duties, Drawbacks, or otherwise, for carrying on the Trade and Commerce between the People and Territories belonging to the Crown of *Great Britain* and the People and Territories of the said United States, as to his Majesty in Council shall appear most expedient and salutary; any Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

IV. Provided always, That this Act, and the Powers and Authorities hereby given to his Majesty, and all Orders issued and published in consequence thereof, shall continue and be in Force until the twentieth Day of *December*, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three, and no longer.

His Majesty im-
powered to make
Regulations for
carrying on
Trade with
America.

Continuance of
this Act.

C A P. XL.

An Act for defraying the Charge of the Pay of the Militia, and of the Cloathing for the Serjeants and Drummers of the Militia, in that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*, for one Year, beginning the twenty-fifth Day of *March*, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three.

C A P. XLI.

An Act for empowering Persons navigating Vessels upon the River *Trent*, between a Place called *Wilden Ferry*, in the Counties of *Derby* and *Leicester*, or one of them, and the Town of *Burton upon Trent*, in the County of *Stafford*, to hale the same with Horses.

“ Preamble, reciting 10 & 11 *Gul. III. cap. 20*. Lord *Paget* impowered to make and keep in Repair Towing Paths for Horses. Towing Paths confined to one Side of the River. Four Plans and Books of Reference to be produced. Towing Paths to be made over Lands, though Owners Names not inserted in Book of Reference; but not to be made on the opposite Side. No Deviation to be made in the Towing Path. If any Alteration in the Banks, so as to vary from the Plan, Commissioners may alter the Boundaries. Vessels not to be haled with Horses until Towing Path made. Gates, Bridges, &c. to be made across the Towing Path. In case of Neglect, Owners, &c. to make the same; who shall be paid their Expences. Fords not to be made deeper than 18 Inches. Fords to be deepened according to those in the River *Trent* between *Wilden Ferry* and *Gainborough*. Power given to enter Lands to make the Towing Path, making Satisfaction for Damages. Method of ascertaining Damages. Annual Rent to be paid for Haling Path. The Right of Soil of the Haling Path reserved. Conveyance to be inrolled, and true Copies allowed to be Evidence. Copyhold Rights preserved. Damages not provided for to be settled by the Commissioners. Commissioners to settle Disputes between the Undertaker and Proprietors relating to the Purchase of Land, or Damages. In case of Refusal to agree, to be settled by a Jury. Jurors may be challenged. Commissioners may examine Witnesses. Verdict of Jury, &c. to be final. Witnesses or Jurymen neglecting to attend, to forfeit a Sum not less than 40 s. or more than 5 l. Decrees of the Commissioners to be filed with the Clerk of the Peace for the respective Counties. Purchase Money due to Corporations and Trustees to be laid out to the same Uses. In Default of Payment, Rates to be liable, or to be recovered at Law. Satisfaction being made or tendered, the Company may enter and proceed in their Works. No Agreement with Tenants or Lessees to be binding longer than the Possession shall continue. Towing Path may be fenced from the adjoining Lands, but so as not to obstruct the Passage. Houses may be built, so as not to obstruct Towing Path. Power given to dig Gravel, &c. to make Towing Path, in Waste Grounds, gratis; or in private Grounds, making Satisfaction for the same. Bargemen, &c. having on board Dogs, Guns, or Nets, for destroying Fish or Game, to forfeit 5 l. Clause for preventing Trespasses upon the Lands by the Horses haling Vessels. Owners of Vessels answerable for Damage done by their Servants; but may recover from their Servants. Names of Owners to be put on Vessels, &c. Persons damaging Towing Path, Gates, &c. to forfeit from 5 l. to 40 s. at the Discretion of the Justice. Towing Path may be used as a Bridle-way, &c. by Occupiers of Land; but shall not obstruct the Horses towing. Power to take a reasonable Tonnage for Vessels to defray the Expence of the Towing Path. No Toll to be taken for Vessels passing between *Wilden Ferry* and *Castle Donnington*; or for Gravel, Dung, Soil, Marl, or Lime. Upon Request of Owners or Occupiers, a Meeting of Commissioners to be had. Any three Commissioners may summon Meetings. Clause for preserving the Water for the Use of Mills; and for preserving the Salmon Fishery. Penalties and Forfeitures how to be recovered and applied. Proceedings not to be subject to Stamp-duties. Clause for compelling Subscribers to pay in their Subscriptions. Persons aggrieved may appeal to the Quarter Sessions. So much of 10 & 11 *Gul. III. cap. 20*, as restrains Persons from making Wharfs, &c. between *Wilden Ferry* and *Nottingham Bridges*, repealed.”

C A P. XLII.

An Act for better Paving, Cleansing, and Lighting, the Parish of *Saint Paul Covent Garden*, within the Liberty of *Westminster*, and certain Places adjoining thereto; and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein.

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