

Commissioners may issue their Warrants to the Sheriff to summon a Jury.

Jurors may be challenged.

Witnesses to be summoned and examined on Oath.

aforesaid, shall, for the Space of Forty Days after Notice in Writing given to the principal Officer or Officers of such Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or to such Trustee or Trustees, Person or Persons respectively, or left at his, her, or their respective Place or Places of Abode, or at the House of the Tenant or Tenants, or Occupier or Occupiers of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, neglect or refuse to treat, or shall not agree with the said General Commissioners, or by reason of Absence shall be prevented from treating, then and in every such Case the said General Commissioners are hereby empowered from Time to Time to issue out their Warrant or Warrants under their Hands and Seals to the Sheriff of the County of *Lincoln*, or if such Sheriff should be immediately interested in such Matter, then to One of the Coroners of the said County, commanding such Sheriff or Coroner to impanel, summon, and return a Jury, and the said Sheriff or Coroner is hereby required accordingly to impanel, summon, and return Twenty-four Men resident within the County of *Lincoln*, and qualified according to the Laws of this Realm, to be returned for Trials of Issues joined in His Majesty's Courts at *Westminster*, to appear before the said Commissioners at such Time and Place as in such Warrant or Warrants shall be appointed, in order that out of them a Jury of Twelve may be sworn to enquire touching the Matters in question; and in case a sufficient Number of Jurymen shall not appear at such Time and Place, the said Sheriff or Coroner shall return other honest and indifferent Men that can speedily be procured to attend that Service, being qualified as aforesaid, to make up the said Jury to the Number of Twelve and all Parties concerned may have their lawful Challenge against any of the said Jurymen; and the said General Commissioners are hereby empowered by Warrant or Warrants under their Hands and Seals, from Time to Time as Occasion may require, to summon and call before them all such Persons as shall be thought necessary to be examined as Witnesses touching the Matters in question; and the said General Commissioners may order and authorize the said Jury, or any Six or more of them, to view the Place or Places, or Matters in Controversy, and such Jury upon their Oaths (which Oaths, as also the Oaths of such Person or Persons as shall be called upon to give Evidence, the said General Commissioners or any One of them is and are hereby empowered to administer) shall enquire of, assess, and ascertain the Sum or Sums of Money to be paid for the Purchase of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or the Recompence to be made for any Losses or Damages that shall or may be sustained as aforesaid, and to settle and ascertain in what Proportion the Sum or Sums so assessed shall be paid to the several Persons interested in the Premises; and the said General Commissioners

shall give Judgment for such Purchase Monies or Recompence so as aforesaid to be assessed by such Juries; which said Verdict and the Judgment thereupon pronounced by the said General Commissioners shall be final and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes, against all Parties, Bodies Politic, Corporate, and Collegiate, and all Persons whomsoever.

Verdict of Jury, &c. to be final.

Provided always, and be it further Enacted, That if any such Sheriff or his Deputy, or the said Coroner, shall make Default in the Premises, every such Person shall for every such Offence forfeit the Sum of One Hundred Pounds; and if any Person so summoned as aforesaid on such Jury shall not appear, or appearing refuse to be sworn, or being sworn refuse to give his Verdict, or in any other Manner wilfully attempt to avoid or neglect his Duty, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, and if any Person so summoned to give Evidence shall not appear, or appearing refuse to be sworn or examined or to give Evidence, or being of the People called Quakers, shall refuse to affirm or to be examined to give Evidence, every Person so offending respectively, having no reasonable Excuse to be allowed by the said General Commissioners, shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay such Sum as the said General Commissioners shall appoint, not exceeding the Sum of Five Pounds for every such Offence.

Penalty on Sheriff's Neglect.

And be it further Enacted, That in all Cases where any Verdict shall be given for a greater Sum or Recompence than shall have been offered by or on Behalf of the said General Commissioners, before the summoning of any such Jury for or in respect of any of the Matters aforesaid, that then all the Expences of such Jury and the Witnesses attending in consequence thereof, and of taking such Inquisition, shall be paid by the said General Commissioners out of the Monies to arise by virtue of this Act; but if any Verdict shall be given for no more or for a less Sum than shall have been so previously offered by or on Behalf of the said General Commissioners, then and in every such Case such Expences shall be paid by the Owners of or Persons interested in the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments and Premises, upon or in respect of which such Jury shall have been summoned.

Expences of the Jury and Witnesses, by whom to be borne.

And be it further Enacted, That all Agreements, Contracts, Sales, and Conveyances, and all Determinations of the said General Commissioners which shall be submitted to and acquiesced in by the Parties concerned, and also the said Verdicts and Judgments, being first signed by such of the said General Commissioners

Verdicts to be recorded.

tioners as shall be present at the making such Determinations, or the taking of such Verdicts, and pronouncing such Judgments respectively, shall be transmitted to and kept by the Clerk of the Peace amongst the Records of the Quarter Sessions of the Peace for either of the said Parts of *Kesteven* or *Holland* aforesaid, and shall be deemed to be Records of the said Quarter Sessions to all Intents and Purposes; and the same or true Copies thereof respectively, attested by such Clerk of the Peace or his Deputy, shall be allowed to be good Evidence in all Courts whatsoever, and all Persons shall have Liberty to inspect the same, paying for such Inspection the Sum of One Shilling, and also to take Copies thereof, paying for every Copy not exceeding Seventy-two Words the Sum of Two Pence, and so in Proportion for any Number of Words; and immediately on such Payment, and Entry of such Agreements, Contracts, Sales, and Conveyances, Verdicts, Judgments, Sentences, Decrees, Orders, and other Proceedings, all the Estate, Right, Title, Inheritance, Use, Trust, Property, Possession, Benefit, Claim, and Demand whatsoever, both at Law and Equity, of the Person or Persons for whose Use such Money or Rent shall be paid in and to or out of the said Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments shall vest in the said General Commissioners and Trustees hereinafter provided to be chosen respectively for the Time being, who shall be deemed in Law to be in the actual Seisin or Possession thereof respectively, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as fully and effectually as if all and every such Person and Persons having any Estate in the Premises had actually conveyed the same to them by Lease and Release, Bargain and Sale, inrolled Feoffment with Livery and Seisin, Fine, Recovery, or any other legal Mode of Conveyance or Assurance whatsoever; and such Payment shall not only Bar all Right, Title, Interest, Claim, and Demand whatsoever of the Person or Persons to whose Use such Payments shall be made, but also shall extend to, and be deemed and construed to Bar the Dower or Dowers of the Wife and Wives of such Person and Persons, and his, her, and their Issue, and all Estates Tail in Reversion or Remainder, and all and every other Person and Persons whomsoever, as fully and effectually as a Fine and Recovery, or either of them, would do, if levied or suffered by all the proper Parties in due Form of Law.

Payment for
Land cut and
covered by
Works of
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turers.

And be it further Enacted, That all the Lands and Grounds which shall be cut through and covered by such Works of Drainage herein provided to be made, by and at the Expence of the said Adventurers, within the old inclosed Lands in the several Parishes of *Spalding* and *Pinchbeck*, shall be paid for by the said Adventurers,

venturers, their Heirs and Assigns; and the Value of such Lands and Grounds shall be ascertained and recovered in like Manner as the Value of other old inclosed Lands and Grounds within any of the said Parishes, which have been cut through and covered by Works done by the said Adventurers, are provided to be ascertained and recovered by any of the said Acts relating to the Drainage of *Deeping Fen*.

Provided, and it is hereby Enacted, That if after the Expiration of Two Years next after the said General Works of Drainage herein provided for are made and completed, it shall appear to the said General Commissioners that the several Mills and Engines that have been erected by the said Adventurers for the Purpose of Drainage, and are now standing, or any of them, and which are the Property of the said Adventurers shall be found useful for the Purpose of throwing Water to such increased Height as is herein provided for, the same shall be used for that Purpose accordingly; and the said General Commissioners shall and they are hereby required, out of the Monies to be raised under the Authority of this Act, for the general Purpose of Drainage, to pay and allow unto the said Adventurers so much and such Sum and Sums of Money as the said Mills and Engines, or such of them as shall be so used for the Purpose of Drainage as aforesaid, shall, in the Judgment of Two disinterested Persons to be indifferently named by the said General Commissioners and Adventurers respectively, be valued at, fixed, and determined; and in case of their Disagreement therein, as shall be fixed and determined by a Third Person, to be named by the said Two Referees, whose Determination shall be final; and the Amount of such Valuation shall be paid within Six Months next after the same shall be so ascertained; but in case it shall appear to the said General Commissioners, at the Expiration of the Time aforesaid, that the said Mills or Engines are not useful or necessary for the Purpose of Drainage (and in such Case they are hereby required to signify the same in Writing under their Hands, to be delivered to the said Adventurers, or their Treasurer for the Time being) it shall be lawful for the said Adventurers, at any Time or Times that they shall think proper, to take down and remove the same, or such of them as shall not be used for the Purpose of Drainage as aforesaid, and convert the Materials thereof to and for their own Use and Benefit; any Thing herein contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Adventurers
Mills to be
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or taken
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And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the General Commissioners herein appointed shall, and they are hereby required,

Works of
Drainage to
be made at
Joint Ex-
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required, as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act, to cause the several general Works of Drainage to be made, erected, done, and executed as follows; (that is to say) One Main Drain or Cut, commencing at the said *Pode Hole*, and extending from thence to a Drain called *The Rampart Drain*, of the Depth of not less than Five Feet and Six Inches and of the Width of not less than Twenty-four Feet at the Bottom, and proceeding along the Course of the said *Rampart Drain*, and enlarging the same Drain to such Depth and Width as aforesaid, so as to become a Part of the same Main Drain or Cut, and from thence extending the said Main Drain of the same Depth and Width, in as direct a Course as may be to the East End of a certain Part of the said Commons, called *The South Drove*, and from the said East End along the Middle of the same Drove to the West End thereof, and from thence still further Westwardly, until the same Main Drain or Cut shall communicate with the Cross Drain or Cut herein directed to be made upon such of the said Commons as are herein declared to be within the said Parts of *Kesteven*; and that the said General Commissioners shall also make a Branch from the said Main Drain or Cut, to communicate with the said *Crowland Common*, as near as may be at the Middle of the North Boundary thereof, and such Main Drain from the East End of the said *South Drove* to its Junction with the said Cross Drain, and also the said Branch thereof, shall be of such Dimensions as the said General Commissioners shall find necessary for the Purpose of affording Earth with which to make sufficient Banks to contain the Waters therein; also One other Main Drain or Cut, commencing at the said *Pode Hole*, and extending from thence along the Course of the Drain, called *The Eighteen Feet Drain*, to the East End of a certain Part of the said Commons called *The North Drove*, and enlarging the same Eighteen Feet Drain to the Depth of not less than Five Feet and Six Inches, and the Width of not less than Twenty-four Feet at the Bottom, and extending the same Main Cut or Drain from the East End of the said *North Drove*, along the Middle thereof, as near as may be to the West End of the same Drove, and from thence still further Westwardly, until the same Main Drain or Cut shall communicate with the said Cross Drain or Cut so directed to be made upon such of the said Commons as are declared to be within the said Parts of *Kesteven*, which said Main Drain or Cut last described, so far as the same extends Westwardly from the said *Eighteen Feet Drain*, shall in like Manner be of such Dimensions as the said General Commissioners shall find necessary for affording Earth with which to make sufficient Banks to contain the Waters therein; also One other new Drain or Cut across the several Commons herein declared to be within

within the said Parts of *Kesteven*, commencing at or near the said North Bank of the River *Welland*, and extending from thence to or near the South Bank of the Counter Drain after mentioned, such new Drain or Cut to communicate with the two last described Main Drains or Cuts, and to be of the Width of not less than Eighteen Feet at Bottom, and of the Depth of not less than Five Feet; and the said General Commissioners shall also cleanse and enlarge the Drain called *The Counter Drain*, extending from *Pode Hole* to the Tunnel, discharging the Waters of *Thurlby Fen Pastures*, under the said River *Glen*, of such Dimensions as they shall find necessary for affording Earth sufficient with which to embank both Sides of the said Counter Drain, and shall also cleanse and scour the Drain, called *Hills Drain*, of such sufficient Width and Depth as the said General Commissioners shall deem requisite, for the Use of the said Owners of inclosed Lands, in *Deeping Fen*, and of the Allotments to be set out from the said Commons as a Main Drain for the Purposes of this Act, and the Slopes of all the said Drains shall not be less than Eighteen Inches in each Foot of perpendicular Height, and all the Earth taken therefrom shall be formed into regular Embankments, with Forelands of not less than Ten Feet on each Side of the said Drains; and the said General Commissioners shall erect and build all such Bridges over the said several Drains as to them shall seem fit and expedient, and of such Dimensions as to admit of the free Passage of Boats under the same, provided that no Horses or other Quadrupeds shall be used in haling the said Boats; and shall also erect proper Bridges and Tunnels across the several Mill Drains, discharging Water into the Main Drains in the *North* and *South Drovers*, with proper Doors to the said Tunnels; and shall also cause a certain Drain called *King Street Dike*, so far as the said Drain extends by the Side of the Parish of *Greatford*, to be deepened Two Feet on an Average, and from the South End of the said Parish of *Greatford* to the South End of the Hamlet of *Stow*, shall cause the said *King Street Dike* to be made of the same Depth and Dimensions with the other Part thereof, when so deepened as aforesaid, and the Earth formed into a Bank where necessary, on the East Side of the same Drain.

And be it further Enacted, That the said General Commissioners shall also make a Catchwater Drain, at or near the Western Boundary of the said Commons, in such Direction as may best avoid Injury to the Lands lying between the same and *King Street Dike*, and of such Dimensions as the said General Commissioners shall think necessary.

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And be it further Enacted, That the several Drains, Bridges, Tunnels, and other Works of Drainage last herein described, and directed to be made and executed by the said General Commissioners, shall be made by and at the Expence of the said Owners and Proprietors of taxable and free Lands in *Deeping Fen*, and the said several Owners and Proprietors of Messuages, Houses, or Toststeads, Lands and Hereditaments, interested in such of the said Commons including the said *Crowland Common*, as lie between the Banks of the Rivers *Welland* and *Glen*, in such Shares and Proportions as the respective inclosed Lands, and the same Commons bear in Quantity to each other; and that the Part or Share of such Charges and Expences as is herein directed to be borne and defrayed by the Owners and Proprietors of taxable and inclosed free Lands in *Deeping Fen*, together with the Value of the said One Hundred and Twenty Feet of Land in Breadth, next adjoining to the several Banks of the said Rivers *Welland* and *Glen*, and of the Herbage of the said Banks, to be ascertained as herein directed, shall be raised and paid by an equal Acre Rate or Tax upon all such inclosed taxable and inclosed free Lands so lying between the Banks of the said Two Rivers respectively chargeable therewith, and be recovered by the said General Commissioners, by entering upon the Lands and Grounds respectively charged therewith, and receiving the Rents and Profits of such Lands and Grounds, until the Share and Proportion of the said Charges and Expences payable in respect thereof, together with such Value as aforesaid, of the said One Hundred and Twenty Feet in Breadth against the said Banks, and of the Herbage of the said Banks, and the Costs and Charges of such Entry, shall be fully paid and satisfied; or otherwise the said General Commissioners shall and may borrow the same on Mortgage, pursuant to the Power hereinafter contained for that Purpose, and that the Part or Share of such Charges and Expences so directed to be borne and defrayed by the Owners and Proprietors of Messuages, Houses, or Toststeads, Lands, and Hereditaments, so interested in the said Commons, including the said *Crowland Common*, shall be paid and discharged by and out of the Monies to be raised by Sale of Lands herein authorized to be made for the Purposes herein expressed.

Posts or
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And be it further Enacted, That the said General Commissioners shall cause a Post or Stone to be affixed as near as may be to the present Sluice at *Pode Hole*, and the same to be marked in a permanent Manner, at the Height of Seven Feet Eight Inches perpendicular, above the Level of the Floor of the said Sluice, and shall also cause One other Post or Stone to be affixed at the End or every Mile in Length, extending Westward from the said *Pode Hole*

Hole Sluice by the Side of the said several Main Drains herein directed to be made from the said Sluice, through the said Commons and through the said *North Drove* and *South Drove* respectively, until the same Main Drains join the Cross Drain herein provided for, and each of the said Posts or Stones shall be marked in a permanent Manner, so as to denote the before mentioned perpendicular Height; and another Mark shall be made in like Manner on each of the said Posts and Stones, so as to denote the exact Height of One Inch for each Mile in Extent Westwardly, above the original Mark at or near *Pode Hole* aforesaid; and it shall not be lawful for the Owners or Proprietors of taxable or free Lands situate within *Deeping* inclosed Fen aforesaid, or of Lands to be allotted by virtue of this Act, or of any other Act for draining, dividing, and inclosing the said Common called *Crowland Common*, or for any other Person or Persons whomsoever, to continue any Mill, Engine, or other Device already erected, or to erect or cause to be erected any Mill, Engine, or other Device, without constructing the Water Wheels with the Wallowers thereof, of such Dimensions and Height as in the Opinion of the said General Commissioners and Trustees respectively, will prevent the raising and discharging Water into any of the said Main Drains, above the Heights of the several and respective Marks of One Inch for every Mile so to be made, on such of the said several and respective Posts or Stones as shall be situate nearest thereto, and to the Eastward respectively of the several Mill Drains communicating or to communicate with the said several Main Drains; and in case any Mill, Engine, or other Device shall be continued or erected, so as to raise or discharge Water into any of the said Main Drains, above the perpendicular Height of One Inch in a Mile in Extent, so directed to be marked on the said Posts or Stones respectively, it shall be lawful for the said General Commissioners at any Time before the Execution of the Award herein directed, and after the Execution thereof, for the Trustees for the Time being, in whom the internal Works of Drainage in the said Commons are hereby vested, upon due Proof of the Fact, to the Satisfaction of such Commissioners and Trustees respectively, to order the same to be absolutely taken down and removed by any Person or Persons whomsoever; any Thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Provided, and be it further Enacted, That if the said general Works of Drainage shall be found insufficient or inadequate to drain the Lands and Grounds intended to be drained thereby, without the Aid of Engines or Mills to raise the Water to a greater Height than hereinbefore provided for, the said General Commis-

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sioners or Trustees for executing the said General Works of Drainage shall and may erect, build, and use such Engine or Engines at or near the Situation of the present Engines discharging the Waters from *Hills Drain* into the *Welland*, as in their Judgment shall be requisite or necessary for the Purpose of raising the Waters to such greater Height as may be expedient for better effecting such Drainage; and that all such Engines or Mills so to be erected as last aforesaid, shall be taken and considered as Part of the said General Works of Drainage, and be paid for, and afterwards from Time to Time repaired, supported, and maintained at such Joint Expence as aforesaid.

Main Drains,
Engines, &c.
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Trustees.

And it is hereby Enacted, That the several Main Drains, Engines, Bridges, and other Works of Drainage directed to be done at such Joint Expence as aforesaid, except the Herbage of the Banks and Forelands of the said Main Drains, shall for ever after the making thereof be and remain vested in the Trustees for preserving such General Works of Drainage, but without Prejudice to the Right of the said Adventurers to the said *Hill's Drains*, and the Mills thereon.

Directions as
to the Sale
of the North
and South
Droves, &c.

And be it further Enacted, That the Residue of the said *North* and *South Droves*, after the Drains through the same, with the Banks and Forelands of such Drains, shall have been set out as herein directed, and also the said One Hundred and Twenty Feet of Land in Breadth against the North Bank of the River *Welland*, and the South Bank of the River *Glen*, for the Space the said Banks respectively adjoin the said Commons, together with the Herbage of the said Banks, shall be valued by the said General Commissioners in Conjunction with a like Number of Persons, not interested in the Premises, to be named by and on the Part of the said Adventurers and Owners of free Lands in *Deeping* Inclosed Fen, in such and the like Manner as Trustees for preserving the General Works of Drainage are hereinafter directed to be appointed; and in case the said Commissioners, and the Persons so to be appointed by the said Adventurers and Owners of free Lands, shall not agree in Opinion respecting the Value of the said Droves and Lands, and Herbage of the said Banks, the same shall be valued by an Umpire to be named by the said General Commissioners, and the Persons so appointed by the said Adventurers and Owners of Free Lands, and the Money at which such Parts of the said Residue of the *North* and *South Droves*, and of the said One Hundred and Twenty Feet in Breadth, and Herbage of the said Banks shall be so valued as aforesaid, shall, as soon as may be after the said Main Drains through the

the same Droves are completed, be paid into the Hands of the said *Welland* Commissioners, and on Payment for such One Hundred and Twenty Feet of Land in Breadth next the said Rivers, and for the Herbage of the said Banks, the said Land and Herbage shall vest, and the same are hereby declared to be vested in the said Adventurers, their Heirs and Assigns, with Power to let or set the same, to be grazed only with Sheep, under such Penalty as by them shall from Time to Time be deemed expedient; and the said General Commissioners shall, and they are hereby required to convey such Frontage Land by Lease and Release to such several Owners and Proprietors, and the Lands so to be conveyed shall be held and enjoyed by such and the same Tenure, in such and the same Manner, and under, upon, and subject to such and the same Uses, Trusts, Charges, and Incumbrances, except the Tax called The Adventurer's Tax, as the inclosed Lands respectively belonging to such Owners and Proprietors abutting on the said Land so to be conveyed as aforesaid, are subject and liable to; and it shall be lawful for the said Owners and Proprietors who shall respectively pay the Amount of the Valuation of the Lands so to be conveyed as aforesaid, to charge and subject the same Lands, and also so much of the inclosed Lands of such respective Owners and Proprietors abutting on the same respectively, not exceeding in Quantity the Land so fronting thereon as aforesaid, by Grant, Mortgage, Lease, or Demise, with such Sum or Sums of Money as the said Owners and Proprietors shall respectively pay as aforesaid, and it shall likewise be lawful for the said Adventurers and Owners of inclosed Free Lands, by Grant, Mortgage, Lease, or Demise, to charge and subject all the said inclosed Lands with and to the Payment of such Sum or Sums of Money as they shall respectively be required to pay as and for their respective Shares and Proportions of the Charges and Expences of such Works of Drainage as are herein directed to be made at such joint Expence as aforesaid, together with Interest for the same from the Time of the Payment thereof, which Sum or Sums of Money so to be charged as aforesaid, shall be payable within One Year next after the Decease of every such Mortgagor respectively, with the Interest thereof, to be computed from his, her, or their respective Decease, to such Person or Persons as such respective Mortgagor shall respectively, by any Deed or Will duly executed and attested, direct and appoint; and in Default of such Direction or Appointment, to his, her, or their Executors or Administrators respectively; and every such Grant, Mortgage, Lease, or Demise, and also every such Charge by Deed or Will, shall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law for the Purposes thereby intended, notwithstanding any Want of Title, Settlement, Will, Use, Trust, Remainder, Mortgage, or other Incumbrances, of or upon the said Lands and Hereditaments, Rights and

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Estates, or any Part thereof, then in being, or capable of taking Effect to the contrary; and in case any of the said Owners or Proprietors shall neglect or refuse to pay the Money at which such Part of the Lands called *The South Drove* and *North Drove* abutting on their said respective inclosed Lands, shall be so valued, within the Space of Six Calendar Months next after such Valuation (and Notice thereof in Writing under the Hands of the said General Commissioners given to such respective Owners, or Proprietors, or their known Agents) or shall neglect or refuse to pay for their respective Shares and Proportions of the said several Works of Drainage required to be done and executed at such joint Expence as aforesaid, for the Space of Three Calendar Months after Payment thereof shall be required by the said General Commissioners, it shall be lawful for the said General Commissioners, at any Time or Times after such Neglect or Refusal, to charge such respective Lands, or any of them, or any Part or Parts thereof, and also the inclosed Lands abutting on the same respectively, not exceeding in Quantity such Frontage Lands, with the Amount of the Sum or Sums at which the said *North* and *South Drove*s, or any Part or Parts thereof, shall be so valued as aforesaid, and likewise to charge all the said inclosed Lands of each such Owner or Proprietor so neglecting or refusing to pay his or her Share and Proportion of such joint Expence as aforesaid, with their respective Shares and Proportions of the said Charges and Expences, with lawful Interest for the same respectively; and for the Purpose of raising such Sum or Sums of Money, and for the better securing the Payment thereof, with Interest, by Writing under their Hands and Seals to convey, in the Way of Mortgage, for Term of Years or otherwise, such respective Lands, or any Part or Parts thereof, to the Person or Persons who shall lend or advance such Sum or Sums of Money as aforesaid, or as he, she, or they, or his, her, or their Executors or Administrators, shall respectively appoint; and every such Conveyance by way of Mortgage for Term of Years or otherwise, as shall be made in pursuance of this Act, shall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law for the Purposes thereby intended; so as every such Conveyance by way of Mortgage or otherwise, be made with a Proviso or Condition to cease and be void, or with an express Trust to be surrendered, when such Sum or Sums of Money thereby to be secured, with the Interest thereof, shall be fully paid and satisfied.

Such Mort-
gages may
be assigned.

And be it further Enacted, That all and every Person and Persons to whom any Grant, Mortgage, Lease, or Demise shall be made by virtue of this Act, or who shall be entitled to the Money thereby

thereby secured, may from Time to Time, by any Deed or Deeds, Writing or Writings, under his, her, and their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, to be executed in the Presence of Two or more credible Witnesses, assign or transfer the same Security or Securities, and the Principal Monies and Interest thereby secured, and all Benefit and Advantage thereof, and all his, her, or their Right, Title, and Interest in and to the same, unto any Person or Persons whomsoever, who may again in like Manner assign the same, and so *toties quoties*; and such Mortgagee or Mortgagees, Assignee or Assignees, his, her, or their Executors and Administrators, and all Persons claiming under them, or any of them, shall and may use, take, and pursue all such lawful Methods, Courses, and Expedients at Law or in Equity, for recovering or obtaining the Possession of the Premises so to be mortgaged, demised, and assigned, in case of Non-payment of the Principal Monies to be thereby secured, or any Part thereof, as is or are used, taken, or pursued in Cases of the like Nature.

And be it further Enacted, That the said General Commissioners shall and they are hereby authorized and required well and sufficiently to enlarge, deepen, and scour out the said River *Glen*, straiten the Course thereof where necessary, and enlarge and strengthen the Banks of the said River, from the said Place called *The Reservoir* to a certain Place called *Kates Bridge*, of such Dimensions and in such Manner as in the Judgment of the said General Commissioners shall be requisite and necessary for the Protection of the Lands lying on each Side thereof, and to admit the Passage of the Waters along the said River in Times of Flood with such Facility as the present Main Bridges across the said River, and the Sluice at the Outfall thereof, will admit of their being discharged through the same respectively; and shall also make or cause to be made so much of the Banks of the River *Welland* as adjoin to any Part of the Lands and Grounds in the several Parishes and Places of *Tallington*, *West Deeping*, *Market Deeping*, and *James Deeping*, or any of them, and also of any other Stream or Streams of Water running through the same Parishes or Places respectively, or through the Parish of *Thurlby*, of such sufficient Height and Strength as they shall think necessary to prevent any such Waters from breaking or overflowing the said Banks, or any of them, and for that Purpose to take Earth out of the Bed of the said River *Welland*, or other Streams, or from the Lands adjoining thereto respectively (making Satisfaction for the same) and to remove the said Banks, or any of them, as they in their Discretion shall think necessary; and that the Costs,

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Welland, &c.