

to be a Commissioner or Commissioners to supply any Vacancy which may be occasioned by the Death or Resignation of any Commissioner or Commissioners who may be appointed under or by virtue of this Act; and no Commissioner to be appointed under or by virtue of this Act shall be paid, or receive or take any Fee, Reward, Emolument or Allowance whatever, for or on account of any thing to be done in pursuance of this Act, or for or on account of the Execution of the Powers by this Act vested in such Commissioners, or any of them.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Commissioners for the Purposes of this Act shall from time to time proceed to cause such Surveys, Plans and Estimates to be made and prepared as shall be directed by the Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, or the Commissioners for executing the said Office for the time being, by and with the Consent and Approbation of the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the time being; and that for that Purpose it shall be lawful for such Commissioners, or any Three of them, and they are hereby authorized and required from time to time to employ such Engineers, Surveyors, Officers, Clerks and Servants, as they shall think proper and expedient for such Purposes.

Commissioners to cause Surveys and Estimates to be made.

IV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Engineers, Surveyors, Agents, Workmen and Servants employed by the said Commissioners from time to time to enter upon all or any Lands or Grounds of any Persons, Bodies Politic, Corporate or Collegiate, in or upon which it shall be judged expedient that the said Asylum Harbour or Place of Refuge, or any Piers, Quays, Erections or Buildings, for the Purpose of making or completing such Harbour, shall be made, erected or built, in order to survey and take Plans and Levels of the same, and to set out and ascertain such Parts of such Lands or Grounds as the said Commissioners shall think necessary or proper for such Purposes, such Surveyors, Engineers, Agents or Servants, making Satisfaction for such Damages as they shall do thereby to the Occupiers of such Lands or Grounds for the time being, in case the same shall exceed the Sum of One Shilling Sterling.

Engineers and others may enter on Premises for making Harbour, &c.

Satisfaction for Damages.

V. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners shall in all things touching the Execution of this Act proceed according to such Orders and Directions as shall be given by the said Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners for executing the said Office, by and with the Consent and Approbation of the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the time being.

Commissioners to proceed under Direction of Treasury.

C A P. CXCII.

An Act to remove certain Difficulties in the Disposition of Copyhold Estates by Will.

[12th July 1815.]

‘ WHEREAS by the Customs of certain Manors, Copyhold Estates of such Manors pass by the last Will and Testament of the Copyhold Tenants thereof declaring the Uses of Surrenders made for that Purpose: And Whereas much Inconvenience has arisen, from the Necessity of making such Surrenders;’ For Remedy whereof, May it 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 in all cases where by the Custom of any Manor in England or Ireland any Copyhold Tenant of such Manor may by his or her last Will and Testament dispose of or appoint his or her Copyhold Tenements, the same having been surrendered to such Uses as should be declared by such last Will and Testament, every Disposition or Charge made or to be made by any such last Will and Testament by any Person who shall die after the passing of this Act, of any such Copyhold Tenements, or of any Right, Title or Interest in or to the same, shall be as valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes, although no Surrender shall have been made to the Use of the last Will and Testament of such Person, as the same would have been if a Surrender had been made to the Use of such Will.

Disposition by Will of Copyhold Estates effectual without previous Surrenders to Uses thereof.

II. Provided also, and it is hereby further enacted, That no Person entitled or claiming to be entitled to Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, in consequence of any Testamentary Disposition, shall be entitled to be admitted to the same by virtue of any thing in this Act contained, except upon Payment of all such Stamp Duties, Fees and Sums of Money as would have been lawfully due and payable in respect of the surrendering of such Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, to the Use of such Will, or in respect of the presenting, registering or enrolling such Surrender, had the same Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments been surrendered to the Use of the Will of the Person so disposing of the same; all such Stamp Duties, Fees or Sums of Money due as aforesaid to be paid in addition to the Stamp Duties, Fees or Sums of Money due or payable on the Admission of such Person so entitled or claiming to be entitled to the same Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, and the Stamp Duties to be affixed to the Copy of the Admission.

Admissions under Testamentary Dispositions, to pay like Fees, &c. as payable on Surrenders.

III. Provided always, and it is hereby enacted and declared, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed, deemed or taken, at Law or in Equity, to render invalid or ineffectual any Devise or Disposition of any Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, or of any Right, Title or Interest in or to Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, which would be valid or effectual if this Act had not been made; or to render valid and effectual any Devise or Disposition of any Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, or of any Right, Title or Interest in or to any Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, which would be invalid or ineffectual if a Surrender had been made to the Use of the last Will and Testament of the Person attempting to dispose of the same by Will; any thing hereinbefore contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Act not to invalidate Devises of Copyholds, &c.