

being, pursuant to the said securities, or any of them, given paymaster general, for satisfying the out pensioners of Chelsea hospital, and such other publick debts as were incurred during the last war, as the said lord high treasurer or commissioners of the treasury shall direct, and in such proportions, manner, and form, as to him or them shall seem meet.

CAP. X.

An act to enlarge the time for the purchasers of the forfeited estates in Ireland, to make the payments of their purchase money. 1 Annæ, stat. 2. c. 21.
 Times allowed to the purchasers of the forfeited estates in Ireland, who have paid one third part of their purchase money, for payment of the residue. On non-payment at those times, conveyance to be void. All unsatisfied debentures to be registered. 11 W. 3. c. 2. EXP.

CAP. XI.

An act for the making more effectual her Majesty's gracious intentions for the augmentation of the maintenance of the poor clergy, by enabling her Majesty to grant in perpetuity the revenues of the first fruits and tenths; and also for enabling any other persons to make grants for the same purpose.

WHEREAS at a parliament holden in the six and twentieth year of the reign of King Henry the Eighth, the first fruits, revenues, and profits for one year, upon every nomination or appointment to any dignity, benefice, office, or promotion spiritual, within this realm, or elsewhere, within the said King's dominions, and also a perpetual yearly rent or pension, amounting to the value of the tenth part of all the revenues and profits belonging to any dignity, benefice, or promotion spiritual whatsoever, within any diocese of this realm, or in Wales, were granted to the said King Henry the Eighth, his heirs and successors; and divers other statutes have since been made touching the first fruits and annual tenths of the clergy, and the ordering thereof: and whereas a sufficient settled provision for the clergy, in many parts of this realm, hath never yet been made, by reason whereof divers mean and stipendiary preachers are in many places entertained to serve the cures, and officiate there; who depending for their necessary maintenance upon the good-will and liking of their hearers, have been, and are thereby under temptation of too much complying and suiting their doctrines and teaching to the humours rather than the good of their hearers, which hath been a great occasion of faction and schism, and contempt of the ministry: and forasmuch as your Majesty, taking into your princely and serious consideration the mean and insufficient maintenance belonging to the clergy in divers parts of this your kingdom, has been most graciously pleased, out of your most religious and tender concern for the church of England (whereof your Majesty is the only supreme head on earth) and for the poor clergy thereof, not only to remit the arrears of your tenths due from.

26 H. 8. c. 3.26 H. 8. c. 17.27 H. 8. c. 8.32 H. 8. c. 22,&c. 47.34 & 35 H. 8.c. 17.2 & 3 Ed. 6.c. 20.7 Ed. 6. c. 4.1 Eliz. c. 4.5 Annæ, c. 24.3 Geo. 1. c. 10.

from your poor clergy, but also to declare unto your most dutiful and loyal commons your royal pleasure and pious desire, that the whole revenue arising from the first fruits and tenths of the clergy might be settled for a perpetual augmentation of the maintenance of the said clergy, in places where the same is not already sufficiently provided for: we your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the commons of *England*, in parliament assembled, to the end that your Majesty's most gracious intentions may be made effectual, and that the church may receive so great and lasting an advantage from your Majesty's parting with so great a branch of your revenue, towards the better provision for the clergy not sufficiently provided for; and to the intent your Majesty's singular zeal for the support of the clergy, and the honour, interest, and future security of the church, as by law established, may be perpetuated to all ages, do most humbly beseech 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 it shall and may be lawful for the Queen's most excellent majesty, by her letters patents under the great seal of *England*, to incorporate such persons as her Majesty shall therein nominate or appoint, to be one body politick and corporate, to have a common seal, and perpetual succession; and also at her Majesty's will and pleasure, by the same, or any other letters patents, to grant, limit, or settle, to or upon the said corporation, and their successors for ever, all the revenue of first fruits, and yearly perpetual tenths of all dignities, offices, benefices, and promotions spiritual whatsoever, to be applied and disposed of, to and for the augmentation of the maintenance of such parsons, vicars, curates, and ministers, officiating in any church or chapel within the kingdom of *England*, dominion of *Wales*, and town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, where the liturgy and rites of the church of *England*, as now by law established, are or shall be used and observed, with such lawful powers, authorities, directions, limitations, and appointments, and under such rules and restrictions, and in such manner and form, as shall be therein expressed; the statute made in the first year of her said Majesty's reign, 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 to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

The Queen may erect a corporation, and settle on them, and their successors, the first fruits and tenths, for augmentation of the maintenance of the meaner clergy.

By 3 Geo. 1. c. 10. a collector is to be appointed.

1. Annæ, stat. 1. c. 7.

All statutes, &c. relating to first fruits and tenths to continue in force.

II. Provided always, and it is hereby declared, That all and every the statutes and provisions, touching or concerning the ordering, levying, and true answering and payment, or qualification of the said first fruits and tenths, or touching the charge, discharge, or alteration of them, or any of them, or any matter or thing relating thereunto, which were in force at the time of making this act, shall be, remain, and continue in their full force and effect, and be observed and put in due execution according to the tenors and purports of the same, and every of them,

them, for such intents and purposes nevertheless, as shall be contained or directed in or by the said letters patents.

III. Provided also, That this act, or any thing therein contained, shall not extend to avoid, or any way to impeach or affect any grant, exchange, alienation, or incumbrance, at any time heretofore made, of or upon the said revenues of first fruits and tenths, or any part thereof; but that the same shall, during the continuance of such grant, exchange, alienation, or incumbrance respectively, be and remain of and in such force and virtue, and no other, to all intents and purposes, as if this act had not been made.

Act not to void any grant, &c. heretofore made of any the said revenues.

IV. And for the encouragement of such well-disposed persons as shall, by her Majesty's royal example, be moved to contribute to so pious and charitable a purpose, and that such their charity may be rightly applied; be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all and every person and persons, having in his or their own right any estate or interest in possession, reversion, or contingency, of or in any lands, tenements, or hereditaments, or any property of or in any goods or chattles, shall have full power, licence, and authority, at his, her, and their will and pleasure, by deed inrolled, in such manner, and within such time, as is directed by the statute made in the twenty seventh year of the reign of King *Henry* the Eighth, for inrolment of bargains and sales, or by his, her, or their last will or testament in writing, duly executed according to law, to give and grant to, and vest in the said corporation, and their successors, all such his, her, or their estate, interest, or property in such lands, tenements, and hereditaments, goods and chattles, or any part or parts thereof, for and towards the augmentation of the maintenance of such ministers as aforesaid, officiating in such church or chapel, where the liturgy and rites of the said church are or shall be so used or observed, as aforesaid, and having no settled competent provision belonging to the same, and to be for that purpose applied according to the will of the said benefactor, in and by such deed inrolled, or by such will or testament executed, as aforesaid, expressed: and in default of such direction, limitation, or appointment, in such manner as by her Majesty's letters patents shall be directed or appointed, as aforesaid. And such corporation, and their successors, shall have full capacity and ability to purchase, receive, take, hold, and enjoy, for the purposes aforesaid, as well from such persons as shall be so charitably disposed to give the same, as from all other persons as shall be willing to sell or aliene to the said corporation any manors, lands, tenements, goods, or chattles, without any licence or writ of *Ad quod damnum*, the statute of *Mortmain*, or any other statute or law to the contrary notwithstanding.

27 H. 8. c. 16. Persons may give lands, tenements, or goods, &c. to the said corporation,

or sell or aliene any manors, lands, &c.

V. Provided always, That this act or any thing therein contained shall not extend to enable any person or persons, being within age, or of *None sane* memory, or women covert, without their husbands, to make any such gift, grant, or alienation;

Persons excepted from making such gifts, &c.

tion; any thing in this act contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

VI. *And whereas four bonds for four half yearly payments of the first fruits, as the same are rated, and also a fifth bond for a further value or payment, in respect of the same first fruits, have been required and taken from the clergy, to their great and unnecessary burden and grievance: for remedy thereof be it enacted and declared by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the twenty fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and four, one bond only shall in such case be given or required for the four payments of the said first fruits: which said first fruits, as well as the tenths payable by the clergy, shall hereafter be answered and paid by them according to such rates and proportions only as the same have heretofore been usually rated and paid: and no such fifth bond already given shall, from and after the said twenty fifth day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and four, be sued or recovered.*

One bond only to be taken for the four payments of the first fruits.

CAP. XII.

13 & 14 Car. 2. c. 3. An act for raising the militia for the year one thousand seven hundred and four, notwithstanding the month's pay formerly advanced be not repaid.

Militia forces may be drawn out into actual service any time before 24th June, 1705. notwithstanding the one month's pay formerly advanced be not repaid. EXP.

CAP. XIII.

2 W. & M. st. 1. c. 9. 1 Annæ, stat. 4. c. 28. An act for prolonging the time by an act of parliament, made in the first year of her Majesty's reign, for importing thrown silk of the growth of Sicily, from Leghorn. EXP.

CAP. XIV.

An act for the better securing and regulating the duties upon salt.

WHEREAS great sums of money are paid out of her Majesty's duties upon salt, on account of debentures for salt shipped to be exported to foreign parts; and it is found by experience, that great part of the salt, for which such debentures have been paid, hath been fraudulently landed on the coasts of England and Wales, and not exported to any foreign parts, or having been actually landed in Ireland, or other places out of England and Wales, have been shipped off again from thence, and fraudulently brought into England or Wales; by which evil practices her Majesty's said duties are very much lessened in the produce thereof, and the salt makers, who pay their full duties, are very much prejudiced and discouraged in their trade, by reason they cannot sell their salt in places which are supplied with salt run, as aforesaid: for remedy whereof 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 authority of the same, That no salt whatsoever, being of the produce or manufacture of England, Wales, Berwick upon Tweed, Scotland, or Ireland, nor any

No salt coming from Ireland, Scotland,