

CHAPTER 27.

AN ACT TO CONFIRM SEVERAL VOTES OF THE PROPRIETORS OF THE WESTERLY HALF OF LEICESTER.

WHEREAS the proprietors of the westerly half of the town of Leicester, at their meeting on the second of November last, voted that their lands be subjected to a tax of twopence, old tenor, per acre, for the year 1744, and a further tax of twopence, old tenor, per acre, yearly, for the four next years, for and towards the support of a learned, orthodox minister in that part of the said town; and also that their said lands shall be subjected to a further tax of a penny, old tenor, per acre, for the first year; viz^d, the year 1744, to pay contingent charges; and that the said proprietors, at their meeting on the fifteenth of this instant February, chose Mr. Samuel Hunt their treasurer, and voted that the lands shall be subjected to a further tax of a penny, new tenor, per acre, towards the set[t]lement of a minister: *provided, always*, that those of the proprietors and settlers that have subscribed a writing, dated the 27th of December last, for that purpose, shall pay to Mr. Treasurer Hunt the several sums therein set against their names, amounting together to the sum of a hundred and seven pounds, old tenor; and at both the meetings aforesaid, the said proprietors voted, that Mess^{rs} James Wilson, John Stebbins, and Moses Smith, inhabitants of the westerly half of Leicester, be assessors of the monies voted as aforesaid, and that Mess^{rs} John Cunningham, Samuel Bemus, Jun^r., and Joshua Barton be collectors to collect the monies that shall be assess[e]d on the said proprietors by the said assessors; and also that the clerk be desired to make application to the great and general court to confirm the votes aforesaid: *and whereas* Samuel Tyley, Jun^r., clerk of the said proprietors, hath prefer'd his humble petition in behalf of the said proprietors to the great and general court now sit[ting], praying them to pass an act or law for confirming the votes aforesaid, and enabling the said assessors to assess, and the said collectors to collect, and the said treasurer to receive the monies aforesaid; therefore,—

Be it enacted by the Governour, Council and House of Representatives,

That the votes aforesaid, made by the said proprietors in manner as aforesaid, be and hereby are confirmed, and that the said assessors, or any two of them, and the said collectors, after they have been duly sworn for those purposes, be and hereby are impowered and enabled to assess the said inhabitants, and collect and receive the mone[ie][y]s aforesaid, in the same manner as other towns or precincts have heretofore assess[e]d and collected their rates and taxes; and that the said treasurer, or his successors, be and hereby is enabled to receive the same: which the said collectors are to pay to the said treasurer accordingly. [*Passed February 25; published March 17, 1743-44.*]

Votes of the proprietors of the west part of Leicester confirmed.

CHAPTER 28.

AN ACT TO EXPLAIN A PARAGRAPH IN AN ACT OF THIS PROVINCE, MADE IN THE PRESENT YEAR OF HIS MAJESTY'S REIGN, FOR THE MORE SPEEDY FINISHING THE LAND-BANK OR MANUFACTORY SCHEME.

WHEREAS in and by an act made and pass'd at the session of this court, held the twentieth day of October last, [e][i]ntit[u]led "An Act Preamble. 1743-44, chap. 17.