



Militia (City of London) Act 1820

1820 CHAPTER 100

XLI Stock and Money in the Hands of the Executors of Edward Wigan, &c. may be applied towards building an Head Quarters.

And whereas there is now standing in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, a Sum of Three Pounds per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, in the Names of *Nathaniel Newnham*, *Edward Wigan*, and *Christopher Porter*, Esquires, who are all now dead ; and the said *Edward Wigan* was the Survivor ; and *Jane Wigan*, Widow, *Edward Wigan*, Esquire, and *John Alfred Wigan*, Esquire, are the Executors of the said *Edward Wigan* ; and there is also a Sum of Money accrued, due for Dividends on the said Sum of Three Pounds per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities; and there is a further Sum invested in Exchequer Bills, which are in the Possession or Power of the said *Jane Wigan*, *Edward Wigan*, and *John Alfred Wigan*, and there is likewise a Sum of Money in the Hands of Messrs. *Everett*, *Walker*, *Maltby*, *Ellis*, and Company, Bankers, standing in the Names of the said *Nathaniel Newnham*, *Edward Wigan*, and *Christopher Porter*: And whereas the said several Sums of Money have arisen from Savings made in the West Regiment of *London Militia* in recruiting Men to serve in the said Regiment, and from Dividends and Interest thereon, and it is doubtful whether any Person has now any legal Claim to the said several Sums : And whereas it is considered, that if the said several Sums of Money and Securities were to be paid and transferred to the said Commissioners to be by them applied in aid of the Expence of building an Head Quarters for the *London Militia*, subject nevertheless to such Claims (if any) as any Person or Persons may have on the same, it would be a fit and proper Appropriation of the same ; and the said *Jane Wigan*, *Edward Wigan*, and *John Alfred Wigan*, the Executors of the said *Edward Wigan*, maybe willing and desirous so to apply the same, or some Part thereof, on their being tully indemnified and discharged from all Claims and Demands in respect thereof, or of so much thereof as they may think fit so to apply; be it therefore further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said *Jane Wigan*, *Edward Wigan*, and *John Alfred Wigan*, and the Survivors or Survivor of them, if they shall so think fit, at any Time after the passing of this Act to pay and transfer to the Treasurer of the said Commissioners for the Time being, the said several Sums of Money and Securities, or any Part thereof, and any further Sums that may become due for Dividends or Interest on the said Stock the Securities, or any Part thereof, before they shall so transfer or pay the same ; and every such Transfer and Payment shall be a full Discharge and Indemnity to the said *Jane Wigan*, *Edward*

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*Wigan, and John Alfred Wigan, and the Survivors and Survivor of them, for having made the same ; and every such Transfer and Payment may be pleaded in Bar to any Action or Suit that may be commenced or prosecuted against them, their Executors or Administrators, in respect of the said several Sums of Money, Securities, Dividends, and Interests, and of their having so transferred and paid the same ; but in case it shall appear to the said Commissioners, that any Person or Persons hath or have any Claims or Demands upon or in respect of the said several Sums of Money and Securities, or such Part thereof as may be paid or transferred to their said Treasurer, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners to allow, satisfy, and discharge any such Claims or Demands, or to compound the same ; and any Person or Persons having or making any such Claim or Demand shall be at liberty, if he or they shall so think fit, and it shall be necessary, to bring any Action, or file any Bill in Equity against the said Treasurer to the said Commissioners for the Time being, and all other proper and necessary Parties for the Purpose of establishing such Claim or Demand ; and the said Sums of Money and Securities in the Hands of the said Treasurer shall be subject and liable to the Payment of such Claims and Demands, and to all Costs incurred in the substantiating and Recovery of the same, in like Manner as if no such Transfer and Payment of the same had been made by the said *Jane Wigan, Edward Wigan, and John Alfred Wigan, or the Survivors or Survivor of them, to the said Treasurer- to the said Commissioners ; and after Satisfaction of all such Claims and Demands, and Payment of all such Costs as aforesaid (if any such shall be made and incurred), then the said Commissioners are hereby required to pay and apply the Residue of the said Sums of Money and Securities ; or in case no such Claims or Demands shall be made or substantiated, then the Whole of the said several Sums of Money and Securities, and all future Dividends and Interest that may arise from the same, in aid of the Expence of building an Head Quarters for the said Militia.**