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HORTON IN RIBBLESDALE

**INCLOSURE.**

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COMMISSIONERS AWARD.

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**J. & W. HARTLEY,**  
SOLICITORS

I, Alexander Culbert so swear, That I will faithfully impartially  
and honestly according to the best of my Skill and Ability execute  
and perform the several Trusts Powers and Authorities vested  
and reposed in me as a Commissioner by Virtue of An Act for  
inclosing and reducing to a stint or for subdividing and dividing  
several Commons and Waste Grounds within the Lower  
Division of Norton in the West Riding of the County of York  
in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery and without Favor  
or Affection Prejudice or Partiality to any Person or Persons  
whomsoever.

Sworn before me at York the 22<sup>nd</sup> day  
of the Month of April the 17<sup>th</sup> day  
of the Year 1709 in the presence of  
me Richard Wood and John ...

So help me God.

Alex. Culbert

Richard Wood  
John ...

I, Samuel Wain the younger of York in the Parish of St. Andrew and County  
of York Sheriff of the County of York do declare that I have faithfully impartially and honestly  
according to the best of my Skill and Judgment made a true accurate and  
distinct survey and accompaniment of the lands and Grounds within the  
Lower Division of Norton in the West Riding of the County of York in His Majesty's  
High Court of Chancery and under the direction of the Commissioners  
appointed by an Act in that behalf made for inclosing and reducing to a stint  
or subdividing and dividing several Commons and Waste Grounds within  
the Lower Division of Norton in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery in  
the County of York and that according to  
the said Act and the Statute in that behalf made and the Statute in that behalf made  
the said Commons and Waste Grounds within the Lower Division of Norton  
in the County of York do contain in all together  
three thousand two hundred and twenty six Acres three  
Hundred and thirty nine Perches whereof the Ancient  
Inclosure containe five thousand six hundred and twenty six Acres three  
Hundred and twenty six Perches and the Commons and Waste Grounds by  
the said Act directed to be inclosed and reduced to a stint or subdivided  
do containe three thousand two hundred and twenty six Acres one  
Hundred and thirty nine Perches.

So help me God.

Sworn before me at York the 22<sup>nd</sup> day  
of the Month of April the 17<sup>th</sup> day  
of the Year 1709 in the presence of  
me Richard Wood and John ...

Alex. Culbert

Commissioner under the said Statute Act



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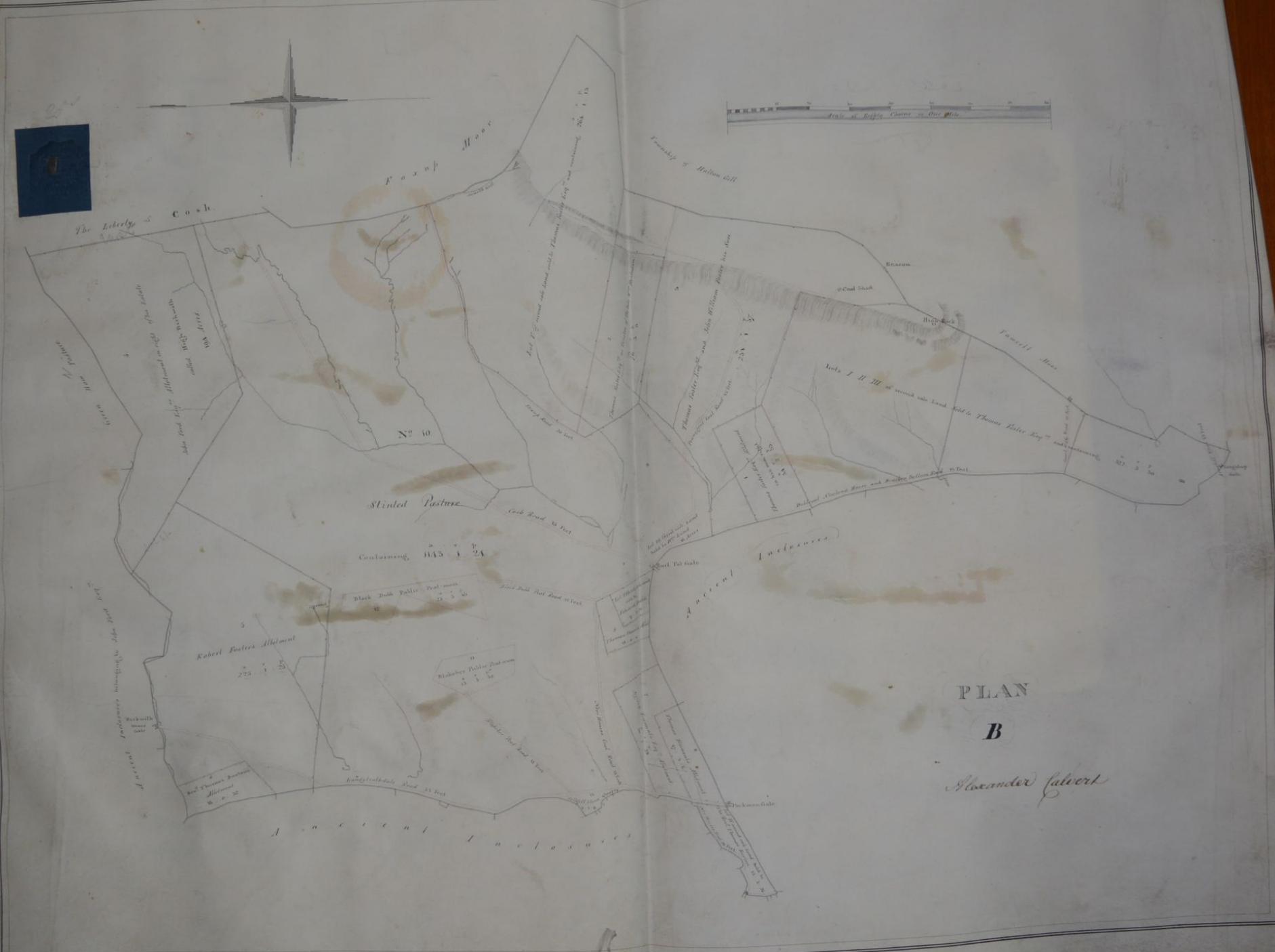


### PLAN A

Allotments in Boston		A	R	P
1	Rev. John Clayhams	93	3	36
2	Isabella Poole's	44	3	36
3	William Lantz	128	1	23
4	John Lantz	128	1	23
5	Justice of John Ford Coy	98	1	4
6	John Whaley	2	0	0
Allotments in Bellet Bros				
7	Justice of John Ford Coy	0	3	30
8	William Lantz	0	0	36
Allotments in Boston Wood				
9	William Lantz	0	2	16
10	Isabella Poole	0	3	23
11	William Lantz	2	0	0



Alexander Calvert.



The Liberty of Cosh.

1700

1700

Green Lane

John Bates Key or Allotment in right of the estate and the High Watermark 1844

N<sup>o</sup> 10

Stinted Pasture

Containing 043 1 24

Robert Foster's Allotment

225 1 1/2

Richard Foster's Allotment

11

Red Thomas Foster's Allotment

10 1/2

Ancient Inclosures

Ancient Inclosures

PLAN

B

Alexander Calvert



Act of Parliament  
recited.

# To all to whom these Presents shall come.

Alexander  
Calvert of Shropshire in the county of Northampton  
Sendeth Greeting Whereas by an Act of  
Parliament made and passed in the fifty fourth year of  
the reign of His late Majesty King George the third in  
intituled An Act for inclosing and retaining to a stint or  
for subdividing and inclosing several common and waste  
grounds within the lower division of Shropshire in in or  
Shropshire in the parishes of Shropshire in Shropshire in  
the west shiring of the county of Northampton Recited in  
that there were within the lower division of Shropshire in  
Shropshire in the parishes of Shropshire in Shropshire in or  
the west shiring of the county of Northampton certain common  
and waste grounds called North Shropshire and South Shropshire  
Shropshire Shropshire Shropshire Shropshire Shropshire in  
and Shropshire containing by estimation two thousand  
aces or thereabouts and that William Shropshire Shropshire  
Shropshire and John Shropshire Esquires John Chapman John  
Shropshire George Shropshire John Shropshire and William  
Shropshire Esquires Thomas Shropshire Esquires Shropshire in  
John Shropshire John Carr Shropshire Chapman Thomas  
Shropshire Robert Shropshire William Shropshire John Shropshire Shropshire  
Carr Shropshire James Shropshire William Shropshire in  
Shropshire Shropshire Thomas Shropshire Shropshire Shropshire  
Shropshire John Shropshire Thomas Shropshire William Shropshire

John Duke William Morte Thomas Chace Thomas Procter  
 ffraunce Procter Thomas Procter (his son) Ellen Procter  
 William Godwin ffraunce Glynne Jeffrey Tamant John &  
 Tamant John Withen the younger Thomas Withen and  
 John Withen were lords of the Manor or reputed Manor  
 of Aberton in Shropshire. **And** that the said William  
 Godwin John Godwin and John fford Esquires together  
 with several other persons were the owners and proprietors  
 of the said manors and waste grounds. **Also reciting**  
 that an Act was passed in the forty first year of the reign of  
 the said late Majesty intituled **in** Act for reworking  
 in one Act certain provisions usually inserted in Acts of  
 in nature and for facilitating the mode of proving the several  
 facts usually required on the passing of such Acts. **And**  
**also reciting** that the said manors and waste &  
 grounds were not in their then situation capable of an  
 improvement and it would be greatly to the advantage of  
 the parties concerned if the said manors and waste  
 grounds were inclosed by wall fences or by hedges and bounds  
 and reduced to a regular plan or divided and allotted to and  
 amongst the several persons having right or interest in  
 them but the same could not be effected without the aid of  
 Parliament. **It was and is therefore** amongst  
 various other things **enacted** that the said Elizabeth  
 Chace (and the persons to be appointed in manner therein  
 mentioned) should be and she was and is hereby appointed  
 the sole commissaries for ascertaining the boundaries of  
 the said manors and waste grounds and for carrying into



execution the several powers and authorities given to him by  
 statute of this Act and also some of the powers authorities  
 directions clauses and provisions contained in the said Act of the  
 forty first year of the reign of the said late Majesty (wherein  
 recited) as are not varied altered or otherwise provided for in and  
 by this Act. **And it was and is further**  
**enacted** that the said Commissioners should and he is  
 hereby required to give public notice in the next Gazette  
 or in some Newspaper or Newspaper printed or circulated in  
 within the West Riding of the county of York and also by a  
 writing signed by their officers upon the principal door of the  
 parsonage of Aberton in Shropshire aforesaid on some or  
 sundry immediately before divine service of the time and  
 place of the first and every other subsequent sitting for or  
 executing the powers of the said several Acts of Parliament  
 ten days at least before every such sitting (sittings by an  
 adjournment only excepted) and that all writings of the  
 said Commissioners as well as objections of the said  
 proprietors for the purpose of putting the said Act into  
 execution should be received in the parsonage of Aberton in  
 Shropshire aforesaid or within eight miles thereof. **And**  
**it is further enacted** that if any dispute or  
 difference should arise between any of the persons interested  
 or claiming to be interested in the said manors or  
 waste grounds or any part or parts thereof or touching or  
 concerning the respective rights or interests therein they or  
 any of them should have or claim to have over and upon  
 the lands and premises to be inclosed by virtue of this Act  
 or touching or concerning any other matter or thing in





relating to the said inclosure it should and might be as  
 lawful to and for the said Commissionier and he is hereby  
 authorized and empowered to examine into these and in  
 determine the same *Provided* that nothing therein  
 contained should authorize or empower the said Commissionier  
 to determine the title to any messuages lands tenements or  
 hereditaments whatsoever *And it is further  
 enacted* that in and any person or persons interested  
 or claiming to be interested in the said intended inclosure in  
 should be identified with any determination of the said  
 Commissionier touching any claim to any right of common  
 or other right or interest in or over or upon the said common  
 and waste grounds hereby directed to be inclosed or any part or  
 thereof then and in every such case it should be lawful for  
 the person or persons so identified to try their right by an  
 issue at law in the manner therein prescribed *Provided*  
 that nothing in the now recited Act contained should  
 extend to enable the said Commissionier to determine any  
 right belonging to any party contrary to the possession of any  
 such party except in cases of custom made since  
 the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety four in  
*And it is further enacted* that if the said  
 Commissionier should deem it expedient or proper to  
 shew the boundary fences between the lands and grounds  
 by this Act directed to be divided and allotted and the lands  
 and grounds of any parish or township adjoining thereto or  
 to make the said boundary fences require it should be lawful  
 for the said Commissionier with the consent in writing in  
 under the hand or hands of the Lord or Lords Lady or Ladies

of the Shire or Shires in which the lands were situate  
 and of the owner or owners of the lands upon which any fence  
 or fences should or might be intended to be made to set out  
 ascertain and determine the boundary fences to be made  
 between the lands and grounds by this Act directed to be  
 divided and allotted and the lands lying in such adjoining  
 parishes or township parishes or townships respectively in such  
 manner as they should judge proper for the purposes aforesaid  
 and after such boundaries should be set out and ascertained as  
 aforesaid the same should be fenced by such person or  
 persons in such manner and at such time or times as the  
 said Commissionier should direct and should for ever thereafter  
 be deemed and taken to be the boundaries between the several  
 divisions of the town in Middlesex aforesaid and such  
 adjoining parishes or township parishes or townships in  
 respectively any law usage or custom to the contrary thereto  
 notwithstanding *And it was and is  
 further enacted* that inclosures or enclosures  
 which at any time within twenty years then last past  
 had been made upon the said common and waste grounds  
 should be deemed part thereof and should be inclosed  
 accordingly as part thereof and in and any dispute or  
 difference should arise touching such inclosure or  
 enclosures or the extent thereof such dispute should be  
 determined by the said Commissionier *And it is  
 further enacted* that the said Commissionier  
 should and he is hereby authorized and required in the  
 first place to set out and appoint so many and such parts  
 of the said common or waste grounds as he should think



proper for the digging and getting turf by all such persons or persons for their own use but not for sale as were then entitled to the right of getting turf in such respective townships or waste grounds. **And it is further enacted** that the said Commissioners should and he is hereby authorized and required to set out and allot such part or parts of the said townships or waste grounds as he should think fit to be used and enjoyed for ever hereafter by the persons having rights or interests in the said townships or waste grounds for the purpose of public watering places for cattle or getting stones and other materials for erecting and repairing of buildings bridges walls fences and other works within the same for the repairation of the highways and private roads which then were or should be within the lower division of Shroton in Liberties aforesaid and should also in said division order and direct by whom and for what purpose the tithing or pasture of the said townships or waste grounds do to be set out for the purposes aforesaid should be used or applied. **And it is further enacted** that the said Commissioners should and he is hereby authorized and required in the next place to mark and set out so much and such part or parts of the said townships or waste grounds as should in his judgment be most convenient to be sold for the purpose of defraying the costs charges and expenses of obtaining and paying the debt of surveying returning allotting and eing fencing the said townships or waste grounds and for preparing the division hereafter in mentioned and all other the necessary costs and charges of

the said Commissioners in and about the execution of this Act and the said Commissioners should and might and he is hereby authorized and required to sell the same in such allotment or allotments as to him should seem right and proper to any person or persons for the best price or prices that could be gotten for the same and should apply the moneys arising by such sale or sales in defraying the said costs charges and expenses and the lands so sold should be freehold of inheritance and the award to be made and executed by the said Commissioners should be valid and effectual in law to set the same in such respective townships and their parts. **Provided** that nothing therein contained should extend or be construed to extend to authorize or empower the said Commissioners to mark and set out for sale or to sell or dispose of any part of the said townships and waste grounds called Shroton Moor and in which Shroton until the said first have allotted and set out a due and proportionate quantity thereof to the said John fford in right of a certain estate in Shroton aforesaid called a Rectory Hall and adjoining tithings. **And it is further enacted** that the said Commissioners should and he is hereby required as soon as conveniently might be to cause the residue of the said townships or waste grounds to be inclosed by ring fences or the extent thereof ascertained by metes and bounds or otherwise as he should think proper the expense whereof should be defrayed by him out of the moneys to be raised by the sale of land as aforesaid and such fence should be from

time to time for ever kept in good and sufficient repair  
 at the cost and charges of the several persons unto for the  
 time being should be entitled to rathigates or pasture in  
 parts thereof in proportion to the size or their several and  
 respective rights and interests and after the said common  
 and waste grounds should be so inclosed and notice  
 thereof should be given by the said Commissioners by  
 writing affixed on the principal door of the said parish  
 church of Wotton in Shropshire all right of common of  
 what nature or kind soever claimed by any person or  
 persons whatsoever in or upon any of the said  
 common or waste grounds hereby intended to be  
 inclosed should cease determine and be for ever  
 extinguished *Provided* that nothing in the now  
 recited Act contained should prejudicially affect the  
 right or claim of any person or persons to have the  
 said or their part or parts share or shares of the  
 said common and waste grounds ascertained and  
 distinctly and separately set out and allotted to them  
 the or them as herein and hereinafter is mentioned  
 and provided *And it is further*  
*enacted* that the said Commissioners should and  
 he is hereby required to ascertain specify and set  
 forth in his charter to be made in pursuance of  
 this Act the proportional value of the said common  
 and waste grounds for regulating the stint thereof  
 and the number of rathigates within the same  
 should be capable of agisting or depasturing and



in return should also set out appertion and limit the number  
 of rathigates of severalty rathigates or rathigates and parts and shares  
 of rathigates to which all and every the owners of  
 the said or their several and respective lands tenements or hereditaments should be  
 entitled in respect of such messuages lands tenements or  
 hereditaments having rights and interests therein they  
 respectively have and be entitled to upon the  
 said common and waste grounds *And it is*  
*enacted* that it shall be lawful for the several  
 proprietors or persons seized or possessed for the time  
 being of any freehold estate of inheritance or for any  
 term or number of years absolute exceeding twenty  
 years in any rathigates or parts of rathigates upon the  
 said common or waste grounds when inclosed as  
 aforesaid and who shall not have separate and  
 distinct parts thereof allotted to them in respect of  
 their rights and interests upon such common and waste  
 grounds under the power hereinafter contained or of  
 the majority of them in value shall value to be  
 ascertained by the number of rathigates to which  
 they should respectively be entitled from time to time  
 after the execution of the said Commissioners charter  
 by writing under their hands or under the hands of  
 their agents or attorneys hereto authorized by writing  
 under the hands of such proprietors to make such  
 rules orders and regulations and appointments for  
 regulating the manner of using and occupying such  
 parts of the said common and waste grounds as should  
 not be allotted to and inclosed by the person or persons

containing the same to be staked out and allotted under the  
 the power hereinafter contained in lieu and full in  
 satisfaction of their rights and interests in such as in  
 common and waste grounds at all times of the year  
 as a staked pasture or staked pastures and of in  
 stocking the same with cattle sheep horses and other  
 stock and for limiting and stinting the number and  
 kinds of the said stock and for limiting the times and  
 seasons of stocking and feeding the same and for  
 providing and putting sure securities as shall be  
 thought necessary and for the better management  
 and more convenient enjoyment of the said in  
 common and waste grounds as a staked pasture or  
 staked pastures as they the said proprietors their  
 agents or attorneys shall from time to time think  
 proper and for the general benefit of all persons  
 interested therein according to their several rights and  
 interests and so from time to time in like manner  
 to amend repeal or alter all or any of these rules or  
 orders regulations and appointments and make such  
 others as they should deem expedient and for the  
 general benefit of all persons interested therein in  
 according to their respective rights and interests in  
 such manner and form as is therein and hereby  
 expressed and provided *Provided always*  
*and it is further enacted* that in case  
 any one or more person or persons proprietor or  
 proprietors entitled to any benefices receivables or  
 participations or other right or interest in the said in

common and waste grounds should be desirous to  
 have an allotment or allotments staked and set out in  
 lieu and satisfaction of their respective benefices in  
 receivables or participations or other rights and interests in  
 or upon the said common or waste grounds and shall  
 signify the same to the said commissioners by writing a  
 under the seal or their hands or the hands of the seal or  
 their attorney or agent for that purpose at a meeting to  
 be held for receiving the claims of the said several  
 proprietors and parties interested in the said benefices  
 and income and should agree to insert and set in  
 part or parts of such allotment or allotments at the  
 seal or their own expense in such manner as the said  
 Commissioners should deem equitable and proper and by  
 the said directors direct and appoint that they and in  
 case it should and might be lawful to and for the said  
 Commissioners and the directors and he is hereby  
 directed and empowered to set out assign and allot to  
 one of the said person or persons proprietors or  
 parties in his or their request as aforesaid an allotment  
 or allotments of and upon the said common and  
 waste grounds in lieu of the benefices receivables or  
 participations or other rights and interests within the year or  
 or they might be entitled to therein according and in  
 proportion to the values of their respective estates in  
 having right of common or other rights in or upon  
 the said common or waste grounds provided that  
 the allotments so required to be set out upon the said  
 common waste premises were staked and set out in

adjoining and other estates at the north or south end in  
 thereof and not in the middle or centre of such common  
 any thing contained in this or the said writs but to the  
 contrary notwithstanding and should charge such person  
 or persons respectively for whose benefit such an  
 allotment or allotments should be made with the  
 payment of such sum or sums of money as should  
 be necessary to defray the costs and charges of making  
 such allotment or allotments and that it should and  
 might be lawful to and for the respective persons to  
 whom such allotments should be set out as aforesaid  
 to accept and inherit the same at any time within  
 three years next after the execution of the said charters  
 and that until the making of such allotments as  
 aforesaid within the time hereinafore limited and  
 after the expiration thereof all such parts thereof as  
 should remain unaccepted and unincorporated should  
 hereafter be deemed and adjudged to be part and  
 parcel of the said common and waste grounds in  
 respectively and as such to be used and enjoyed by the  
 several proprietors and parties according and in  
 proportion to the number of shares respectively in  
 participations or other right or interest they might  
 respectively be entitled to therein any thing hereinafore  
 contained to the contrary notwithstanding **Provided**  
 that in cases where the said Commissioners should direct  
 a part of the fence or fences of the said allotment or  
 allotments to be made by the person or persons  
 requiring the same the said Commissioners should in

direct by his charters by return and in what proportion  
 the expense of such fence or fences should be made and in  
 respect and such direction of the said Commissioners in  
 should be binding and conclusive on all persons or  
 persons interested therein **Provided also** that  
 when and so soon as any allotment or allotments  
 should be appointed and set out to any person or  
 persons as aforesaid in respect of the site or sites in  
 messuages lands or tenements and other allotment or  
 allotments the said Commissioners is hereby authorized  
 and required to make and set out within the space of  
 three years next after such notice should have been  
 given to him as aforesaid all rights of common of  
 pasture and other reasonable rights and interests and  
 all rights of game in upon or over and the ground soil  
 and herbage of the said allotment or allotments should  
 be and the same were hereby vested absolutely in  
 person or persons and the rights of any and every other  
 person or persons in over or upon the same should  
 cease and be forever extinguished subject nevertheless to  
 the proviso hereinafter contained **And it is**  
**further enacted** that all such participations in  
 participations or participations and parts and shares of  
 participations participations and participations allotment or  
 allotments rights and interests respectively of and in the  
 said common and waste grounds as should be  
 appointed set out and allotted by the said Commissioners  
 in manner aforesaid should respectively become and be  
 of the same tenure and held in the same manner as