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To regulate the Re-building of the Town of *St. John's*, in *Newfoundland*, and for indemnifying Persons giving up Ground for that purpose.

Note.—The Figures in the Margin denote the number of the Folios in the written Copy.

1 **W**HEREAS the Town of *Saint John*, in the Island of *Newfoundland*, hath recently been visited by very great and destructive Fires, the ravages whereof have been chiefly occasioned by the narrowness of the Streets, and the difficulty of arresting the progress of the Flames: And whereas it will greatly contribute to the convenience of the said Town, as well as to its future security, if certain Regulations be made, for the re-building of such parts thereof as have been destroyed, and also for the erection of any houses or buildings in the said Town hereafter ; Preamble.

2 **Be it therefore 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 the Lower Street in the said Town, commonly called *Water-street*, shall not be less than Width of Water-street. in width in every part thereof, extending from the house and stores occupied by Brown, Hoyles and Company, at the east end to the public Ships Room, commonly called the *Western Ships Room*, at the west end thereof; and that the Upper Street, commonly called *Duckworth-street*, shall not be less than Duckworth-street. in width; and that all and every houses, stores, erections and buildings whatsoever, built and erected since the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, or which shall at any time or times hereafter be erected and built in the said street, or either of them, whether the same be upon any vacant spot of ground or upon the site of any former building, shall be made to conform to the width of the said streets, as the same is respectively hereby established and directed: Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall be

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