

said Office immediately upon his receiving the Seals of the said Department absolutely ; and the said lands and other real property hereby vested and hereafter to be vested in the said last mentioned Principal Secretary of State and his Successors, 5 shall, as to such of them as were or shall have been purchased or are or shall be held for an estate of inheritance in fee simple, be so vested in such last mentioned Principal Secretary of State and his Successors, in the same manner as if the fee simple thereof had been originally conveyed to such Principal Secretary 10 of State, as a Corporation Sole, and his Successors, and as to all lands and other real property purchased or held for any less estate than an estate of inheritance in fee simple, as if the same lands, hereditaments and property had been originally conveyed, surrendered, demised or otherwise assured to such 15 Principal Secretary of State, as a Corporation Sole, and his Successors, for all the existing estates or interests therein respectively, and so from time to time.

To be held by him or any Successor in office as a Corporation Sole, and for the same estate as the Principal Officers had.

III. All contracts, covenants and agreements heretofore made or entered into by any person or persons whomsoever with the 20 said Principal Officers of the Ordnance, or any person or persons on their behalf, as to or concerning any lands or other real property vested in or agreed to be purchased by the said Principal Officers, or in anywise relating to the Public Service of the Ordnance, shall be deemed and taken to have been made 25 or entered into with such Principal Secretary of State as last aforesaid, and shall be executed and enforced by him in like manner as if he had originally been party thereto instead of the said Principal Officers of Ordnance; and all proceedings whatsoever which have been or might or may have been commenced, 30 taken or done in the names of the said Principal Officers, on behalf of Her Majesty, shall and may hereafter be commenced, continued, taken and done in the name of such Principal Secretary of State as aforesaid, in like manner (in the case of proceedings already commenced, taken or done) as if he had 35 originally been party thereto instead of the said Principal Officers of the Ordnance.

Contracts, &c., to continue with the said Secretary in place of the Principal Officers.

And so of any proceedings commenced.

IV. All powers by the tenth section of the said in part recited Act given to Bodies Politic or Corporate, Ecclesiastical or Civil, Feoffees or Trustees for charitable or other public purposes, 40 Tenants for Life, and Tenants in Tail or in Substitution, Husbands, Guardians, Trustees, Committees, Curators, Tutors or Attorneys, respectively therein mentioned, to contract and agree for the absolute sale or exchange of any such or other real property, or for the sale, grant or release of any estate, right, 45 title or interest therein, or for the reversion thereof after any estate for life or years or other contingent interest, or for any term of years therein, and to convey, surrender, demise or grant the same accordingly, shall continue in full force, and hereafter may or shall be exercised or exercisable and be acted under 50 or take effect in favor or at the instance of the said Principal

Powers to Corporations, &c., under s. 10 of 7 V. c. 11, to be exercised in favor of the said Secretary of State.