Anno tertio

Georgii III. Regis.

An Act for continuing an Act paſſed in the Eleventh Year of His late Majeſty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for laying a Duty of Two Pennies Scots, or One Sixth Part of a Penny Sterling, upon every Scots Pint of Ale and Beer which ſhall be brewed for Sale, brought into, vended, tapped, or ſold, within the Town of* Aberbrothock, *and Liberties thereof.*

WHEREAS by an Act paſſed in the Eleventh Year of His late Majeſty King George the Second, a Duty of Two Pennies Scots, or One Sixth Part of a Penny Sterling (over and above the Duty of Exciſe, paid or payable to His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors) was granted and made payable to the Magiſtrates and Town Council of the Town of Aberbrothock, upon every Scots Pint of Ale and Beer brewed, brought in, tapped, or ſold, within the ſaid Town or Liberties thereof, for the Term of Twenty five

Preamble, reciting Act 11 *Geo.* II.

five Years, from and after the First Day of May, One thousand seven hundred ~~and thirty eight, and to the End~~ of the then next Session of Parliament; and the Provost, Baillies, and Council, of the said Town of Aberbrothock, and their Successors, are, by the said Act, appointed Trustees for repairing or rebuilding the Harbour, Town-house, and Common Prison, for repairing the Streets and Causeways, and carrying on the other Publick Works and Buildings of the said Town, and for paying off the Publick Debts thereof, and for collecting, receiving, and disposing of the Monies arising from the foresaid Duty, and for applying the same to the Purposes aforesaid: And whereas the Situation of the Town of Aberbrothock is such, that a commodious Harbour there is of general Benefit to the Navigation of the Kingdom of Great Britain, for the Protection of such Ships as, by contrary Winds, are prevented from sailing Northwards, or from entering the Rivers of Tay or Forth, and is of great Advantage to the Trade of the said Town: And whereas since the Date of the Act above recited, the Money arising from the said Duty has been faithfully applied at the Sight, and by the Approbation, of the Overseers named in the said Act for repairing and supporting the said Harbour, and for the other Purposes before-mentioned: And whereas the said Town still lies under a heavy Load of Debt, and it will be impossible to repair and support the said Harbour, which has suffered considerably by some late Storms, and to carry on the other Publick Works before-mentioned, and to pay off and discharge the Debts of the said Town, without a further Continuation of the foresaid Duty: Wherefore Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Provost, Baillies, and Town Council of Aberbrothock, do most humbly beseech Your Majesty, that it may be enacted; and be it 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,

Duty granted by the recited Act, continued for 25 Years;

That the Imposition or Duty granted and made payable by the Act before recited, upon Ale and Beer that shall be either brewed, brought in, tapped, or sold, within the said

Town of Aberbrothock, or Liberties thereof, shall, from and after the Expiration of the said Act, be further continued, raised, levied, collected, paid, and made payable to the Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of the said Town of Aberbrothock, and their Successors, in Office, for the time being, and their Assigns, or to such Collectors or Receivers as shall be by them appointed, for the Use and Behoof of the said Town, for the further Term of Twenty five Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the foresaid Imposition or Duty shall, during the said additional Term of Twenty five Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, be raised, levied, and collected, from the same Persons, and by the same Means and Methods, and under the same Penalties and Forfeitures, and be accounted for, paid, and applied, to and for the same Uses and Purposes; and that the Provost, Baillies, and Town Council, be, and continue Trustees for such Application, with the same Powers, and subject to the same Rules and Directions, as are mentioned and prescribed in the Act above recited; and that the said Act, and every Article, Rule, Clause, Matter, and Thing, therein contained, shall be of the same Force and Effect, to all Intents and Purposes, for raising, collecting, securing, and levying, the said Imposition or Duty, and for applying the same for the Uses and Purposes mentioned in the said Act, so far as these are not already executed, for and during the additional Term of Years for which the same are hereby granted and continued, as if the said above recited Act was particularly and at large repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this present Act; except as is herein after-mentioned.

and to be levied, paid, and applied, as under the former Act;

and under the same Trustees;

and the Powers in the said Act to be continued in full Force for that Purpose.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the passing of this present Act, William Earl of Panmure, John Maul Esquire, One of the Barons of His Majesty's Exchequer; Sir James Carnegy of Pillarrow, Baronet; John Erskine of Dun, James Carnegy of Boysick, Alexander Strachan of Tarry, Archibald Scott of Rossie, Robert Scott of Dunninauld, James

Overseers of the Duty, in the Room of those appointed by the former Act.

Scott of Logie, John Ochterlouny of Guynd, Robert Peirſon of Balmedies, George Middleton of Seaton, John Straton of Lauriſton, James Gardyne of Middleton, Robert Stephen of Letham, and the Members of Parliament for the County of Forfar, and for the Town of Aberbrothock, and other Boroughs of that Diſtrict for the time being, ſhall be, and are hereby appointed Overſeers of the Impoſition or Duty hereby continued and granted, in Place and Stead of the Overſeers appointed by the above-recited Act, and ſhall have, and are hereby veſted with, the ſame Powers, and under the ſame Regulations, as are in and by the ſaid recited Act granted and given to the ſaid former Overſeers; any thing in the ſaid former Act contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Publick Act. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That this preſent Act ſhall be deemed and taken to be a Publick Act; and ſhall be judicially taken Notice of as ſuch, in all Courts in Great Britain, and by all Judges, Juſtices, and other Perſons whatſoever, without ſpecially pleading the ſame. 3

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