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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XXX.

An Act to enable His Majesty to settle on her Royal Highness the Princess *Amelia*, Part of the Annuity of Thirty thousand Pounds *per Annum*, which His Majesty was enabled to settle on their Royal Highnesses His Majesty's other Daughters, out of the Hereditary Revenues, by virtue of an Act passed in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty. [21st *March* 1799.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

Preamble.

WHEREAS Your Majesty has been graciously pleased to express Your Desire to Your faithful Commons; that Your Majesty should be enabled to make the like Provision for Your Majesty's Daughter, her Royal Highness the Princess *Amelia*, as Your Majesty has been enabled to make for the other Branches of Your Royal Family: And whereas by an Act, passed in the Eighteenth Year of Your Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for enabling His Majesty to settle on their Royal Highnesses the Princes* Frederick *Bishop of* Osnaburgh, William Henry, Edward, Ernest Augustus, Augustus Frederick, *and* Adolphus Frederick, *an Annuity of Sixty thousand Pounds* per Annum; *and also to settle on their Royal Highnesses the Princesses* Charlotte Augusta Matilda, Augusta Sophia, Elizabeth, Mary, *and* Sophia, *One other Annuity of Thirty thousand Pounds* per Annum; *and also to settle on his Highness Prince* William Frederick *One other Annuity of Eight thousand Pounds* per Annum, *and on her Highness the Princess* Sophia Matilda *One other Annuity of Four thousand Pounds* per Annum, it is enacted, That it should be lawful for Your Majesty, by any Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, to give and grant to their Royal Highnesses Princess *Charlotte Augusta Matilda*, Princess *Augusta Sophia*, Princess *Elizabeth*, Princess *Mary*, and Princess *Sophia*, and to the Survivors or Survivor of them, or to such other Person or Persons as Your Majesty should think fit to be named in such Letters Patent, and his or their Heirs during the Lives of their said Royal Highnesses, and the Life of the Survivor of them, an Annuity or yearly Sum of Money not exceeding the Sum of Thirty thousand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, by the Year, to commence and take Effect from the Day of

18 *Geo.* III, Cap. 31, recited.

the Demiſe of Your Majeſty, and to be charged and chargeable upon all or any Part or Parts of ſuch of the Hereditary Duties, Revenues, and Branches, as were then carried to and made Part of the Fund called *The General or Aggregate Fund*, and out of ſuch Part of the Rates of Poſtage, as ſhould belong to and be Part of the Hereditary Revenues of the Crown, with a certain Proviſo, That upon the Marriage of any of their ſaid Royal Highneſſes, and the Payment of a Portion not leſs than Forty thouſand Pounds Sterling, the Right, Title, Share, and Intereſt, of ſuch Princeſs ſo being married, in and to the ſaid yearly Rent or Annuity of Thirty thouſand Pounds, or any Part thereof, ſhould ceaſe and determine, and the ſaid whole Annuity ſhould from thenceforth accrue and remain to the other Princeſſes: And whereas ſince the paſſing of the ſaid Act, her ſaid Royal Highneſs Princeſs *Charlotte Auguſta Matilda* hath been married, and a Portion not leſs than Forty thouſand Pounds hath been paid in Conſideration of ſuch Marriage: And whereas the Hereditary Revenues of the Crown have been ſince carried to and made Part of the Conſolidated Fund: May it therefore pleaſe 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, That it ſhall be lawful to and for the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, inſtead of the ſaid Annuity in the ſaid Act mentioned, by any Letters Patent, or by ſeveral Letters Patent, under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, hereafter to be made, to give and grant to their Royal Highneſſes Princeſs *Auguſta Sophia*, Princeſs *Elizabeth*, Princeſs *Mary*, Princeſs *Sophia*, and Princeſs *Amelia*, and to the Survivors and Survivor of them, or to ſuch other Perſon or Perſons as His Majeſty ſhall think fit to be named in ſuch Letters Patent, and his or their Heirs, during the Lives of their ſaid Royal Highneſſes, and the Life of the Survivor of them, in Truſt for their ſaid Royal Highneſſes, or the Survivors or Survivor of them, One Annuity or yearly Sum of Money, not exceeding the Sum of Thirty thouſand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, by the Year, to commence and take Effect from the Day of the Demiſe of His Majeſty, (whom God long preſerve), and to be paid and payable, by even and equal Portions, on the Four moſt uſual Days of Payment in the Year; (that is to ſay), the Fifth Day of *January*, the Fifth Day of *April*, the Fifth Day of *July*, and the Tenth Day of *October*; the Firſt Payment thereof to be made on ſuch of the ſaid Days which ſhall next happen after the Demiſe of His ſaid Majeſty; and that ſuch Annuity, or yearly Sum of Money, ſhall or may, by ſuch Letters Patent as aforeſaid, be given and granted to iſſue, and ſhall accordingly iſſue and be payable out of, and be charged and chargeable upon, all or any Part or Parts of ſuch of the Hereditary Duties, Revenues, and Branches, as were by an Act, paſſed in the Twenty-ſeventh Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for repealing the ſeveral Duties of Cuſtoms and Exciſe, and granting other Duties in lieu thereof, and for applying the ſaid Duties, together with the other Duties compoſing the Publick Revenue; for permitting the Importation of certain Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, the Produce or Manufacture of the* European *Dominions of the* French *King, into this Kingdom; and for applying certain unclaimed Monies, remaining in the Exchequer, for the Payment of Annuities on Lives, to the Reduction of the National Debt*, carried to, and made Part of, the Conſolidated Fund, and ſhall be then ſubſiſting, and ſhall then belong to, and be Part of, the Hereditary Revenues of the Crown.

His Majeſty empowered to ſettle on the Five Princeſſes, inſtead of the Annuity mentioned in the recited Act, an Annuity of 30,000 *l.* to commence from the Demiſe of His Majeſty,

and to be payable out of the Hereditary Revenues of the Crown.

II. Provided alſo, and it is hereby enacted, That upon the Death of any of their ſaid Royal Highneſſes the Princeſſes, or upon the Marriage of any One of them, and the Payment of a Portion, on or in Conſideration of ſuch Marriage, not leſs than Forty thouſand Pounds Sterling, the Right, Title, Share, and Intereſt, of ſuch Princeſs ſo dying, or being married, in and to the ſaid yearly Rent or Annuity of Thirty thouſand Pounds, or any Part thereof, ſhall ceaſe and determine, and the ſaid whole Annuity ſhall, from thenceforth, accrue and remain to the Four other Princeſſes; and upon the Death or Marriage of any other of the ſaid Princeſſes, and the Payment of a Portion, not leſs than Forty thouſand Pounds Sterling, on or in Conſideration of ſuch Marriage, the Right, Share, and Intereſt, of ſuch other Princeſs ſo dying, or being married, in or to the ſaid Annuity of Thirty thouſand Pounds, ſhall ceaſe and determine, and the ſaid whole Annuity ſhall from thenceforth accrue and remain to the Three other Princeſſes; and upon the Death or Marriage of any other of the ſaid Princeſſes, and the Payment of a Portion not leſs than Forty thouſand Pounds Sterling, on or in Conſideration of ſuch Marriage, the Right, Share, and Intereſt, of ſuch other Princeſs ſo dying, or being married, in or to the ſaid Annuity of Thirty thouſand Pounds, ſhall ceaſe and determine, and Two third Parts of the ſaid Annuity of Thirty thouſand Pounds, amounting to Twenty thouſand Pounds *per Annum*, and no more, ſhall accrue and belong to the other Two Princeſſes then unmarried; and upon the Death or Marriage of either of the ſaid Two laſt-mentioned Princeſſes, and Payment of a Portion, not leſs than Forty thouſand Pounds Sterling, on or in Conſideration of ſuch Marriage, the Right, Share, and Intereſt, of ſuch Princeſs, of, in, and to the ſaid Annuity of Twenty thouſand Pounds, ſhall ceaſe and determine, and the other of the ſaid Princeſſes then living ſhall be entitled to Twelve thouſand Pounds *per Annum*, Part of the ſaid Rent or Annuity of Twenty thouſand Pounds, and no more, to ceaſe and be determined on her Death or Marriage, and the Payment of a Portion, not leſs than Forty thouſand Pounds Sterling, on or in Conſideration of ſuch Marriage.

Regulations for dividing the ſaid Annuity upon the Marriage or Death of any of the Princeſſes.

III. Provided always, That nothing in this Act contained, or to be contained in ſuch Letters Patent as aforeſaid, ſhall extend to hinder or obſtruct the Payments of any Monies, by any former Act or Acts of Parliament now in Force, charged upon the ſaid Rates, Duties, and Revenues, or any of them, or the Application thereof to the reſpective Uſes intended by any former Acts concerning the ſame; any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

This Act not to obſtruct the Payment of any Money heretofore charged on the Hereditary Revenues.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all the ſaid Annuities or yearly Sums ſhall be paid and payable either at the ſaid Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, or by and from the immediate Hands of all and every the Commiſſioners, Farmers, Treaſurers, or Receivers for the Time being, of the ſaid Revenues reſpectively, upon which the ſaid Annuities or yearly Sums, or any Part or Parts thereof, ſhall be charged by virtue of this Act, without any Fees or Charges to be demanded or taken for paying the ſame, or any Part thereof; and the Acquittance or Acquittances, Receipt or Receipts, of their ſaid Royal Highneſſes Princeſs *Auguſta Sophia*, Princeſs *Elizabeth*, Princeſs *Mary*, Princeſs *Sophia*, and Princeſs *Amelia*, reſpectively, or the Survivors or Survivor of them, or of ſuch of them as ſhall be entitled to receive any ſuch Annuity or yearly Sum, or any Part thereof, or of any Perſon or Perſons authorized by them, or any of them reſpectively, to receive the ſame, ſhall be a good and ſufficient Diſcharge for the Payment thereof, without any further or other Warrant to be ſued

Annuities to be paid, without Fee, at the Exchequer, or by the Commiſſioners, &c. of the Revenues on which they are charged, and the Receipts of the Princeſſes, *etc.* ſhall be ſufficient Diſcharges.

Annuities to be Tax-free.

sued for, had, or obtained, in that Behalf; and that the said respective Annuities or yearly Sums, and every Part thereof, shall be free and clear from all Taxes, Impositions, and other publick Charges whatsoever; and that if the Officer of the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, or the said Commissioners, Farmers, Treasurers, or Receivers for the Time being, of any of the said Duties or Revenues, upon which the said Annuities or yearly Sums, or any Part or Parts thereof, shall be charged as aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to pay the same, upon Demand to be made for that Purpose, or any Part thereof, according to the true Intent of this Act, and of such Letters Patent or Letters Patents, to be granted by His Majesty as aforesaid, then their said Royal Highnesses Princess *Augusta Sophia*, Princess *Elizabeth*, Princess *Mary*, Princess *Sophia*, and Princess *Amelia*, or the Survivors or Survivor of them, or such of them as shall be entitled to receive the said Annuities, or any of them, or any Part thereof, or such their Trustees respectively, may, from Time to Time, sue, prosecute, and implead, such Officers, Commissioners, Farmers, Treasurers, or Receivers, or any of them, or all or any of their Securities, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, by Bill, Plaint, or Action of Debt, and shall and may recover Judgements, and sue out Executions thereupon, against such Officers, Commissioners, Farmers, Treasurers, or Receivers respectively, and their respective Securities, their Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, for so much of such Sum or Sums of Money then due and owing upon the said several and respective Annuities, or any Part thereof, as shall have been in the Hands of such Officers, Commissioners, Farmers, Treasurers, or Receivers respectively, at the Time and Times when such Demand shall be made of the Payment of the said several and respective Annuities or yearly Sums, or any Part thereof, as aforesaid.

In case the Officer of the Receipt of the Exchequer, *etc.* shall neglect to pay the Annuities on Demand, they, or their Securities, may be sued for the same.

All the Powers, *etc.* to be contained in His Majesty's Letters Patent securing Payment of the Annuities, shall be effectual in Law.

V. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Powers, Precepts, Directions, and Clauses, to be contained in His Majesty's Letters Patent hereafter to be made as aforesaid, for the better and more certain Payment and Assurance of the said several Annuities or yearly Sums, and for making the said respective Revenues, or any of them, or any Part or Parts thereof, liable thereunto as aforesaid, shall be good and effectual in the Law, according to the Tenor and Purport thereof, in the said Letters Patent or Letters Patents to be expressed, notwithstanding any Restriction or other Matter or Thing contained in any Act or Acts of Parliament, or any Misrecital, Nonrecital, Omission, or other Defect, in the said Letters Patent or Letters Patents hereafter to be made by virtue of this Act.

General Saving.

VI. Saving to all and every Person and Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, (other than the King's Majesty, His Heirs and Successors), all such Right, Title, Interest, and Demand whatsoever, which they, or any of them, have or may have, of, in, to, or out of the Revenues aforesaid, or any of them, or any Part thereof, before the making of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if this Act had not been made; any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

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