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CAP. XXIV.

An Act for raiſing the Sum of One million five hundred thouſand Pounds, by way of Annuities and a Lottery, attended with Annuities to be charged on the Sinking Fund.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Great Britain, in Parliament aſſembled, towards raiſing the neceſſary Supplies to defray Your Majeſty's public Expences, have freely reſolved to give and grant unto Your Majeſty the Sum of One million five hundred thouſand Pounds, to be raiſed in Manner following; that is to ſay, The Sum of Nine hundred thouſand Pounds by Annuities, after the Rate of Three Pounds per Centum; and the Sum of Six hundred thouſand Pounds by a Lottery, to conſiſt of Sixty thouſand Tickets, the Prizes to be attended with the like Three Pounds per Centum Annuities; and that every Contributor towards the ſaid Sum of Nine hun-

Preamble.

The Sum of 1,500,000 *l.* granted; to be raiſed, *viz.* 900,000 *l.* thereof by Annuities, and 600,000 *l.* by a Lottery.

dred thousand Pounds shall, in respect of every Sixty Pounds agreed by him to be contributed for raising such Sum, be intitled to receive Four Tickets in the said Lottery, upon Payment of Ten Pounds for each Ticket: And whereas, pursuant to and upon the several Terms and Conditions expressed in the said Resolution, several Persons have, in Books opened at the Bank of England for that Purpose, subscribed together the Whole of the said Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds, and made Deposits with the Cashier or Cashiers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England of Twenty Pounds per Centum, in Part of the Sums subscribed towards the said Sum of Nine hundred thousand Pounds; and of Five Pounds per Centum, in Part of the Sums subscribed towards raising the said Sum of Six hundred thousand Pounds by a Lottery: Your faithful Commons do therefore 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, That it shall and may be lawful to and for all Persons, Natives or Foreigners, Bodies Politic or Corporate, who, in pursuance of the said Resolution, shall have, on or before the Twenty ninth Day of April, One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven, subscribed towards the said Sums, and made, in respect thereof, such Deposits as aforesaid, to advance and pay, and they or their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, are hereby required to advance and pay, unto the Cashier or Cashiers of the said Governor or Company of the Bank of England (which Cashier and Cashiers is and are hereby appointed the Receiver or Receivers of such Contributions, without any other Warrant to be had on that Behalf) the several Remainders of the Sums so subscribed towards the said Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds, on or before the respective Days, and in the Proportions herein after limited and appointed on that Behalf; that is to say, In respect of their proportionable Share of the said Sum of Nine hundred thousand Pounds, the further Sum of Ten Pounds per Centum, being Part of the Sum so remaining, on or before the Twenty seventh Day of May, One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven; the further Sum of Ten Pounds per Centum, other Part thereof, on or before the Twenty sixth Day of June then next following; the further Sum of Fifteen

Natives or Foreigners, who, in Books opened at the Bank, have subscribed to the said Sum of 900,000 *l.* and deposited 15 *l. per Cent.* of their Subscription-money, are to pay the Remainder as herein directed.

10 *l. per Cent.* by 27 *May*, 1767;

10 *l. per Cent.* by 26 *June*;

teen Pounds per Centum, other Part thereof, on or before the Twenty ſeventh Day of Auguſt then next following; the further Sum of Fifteen Pounds per Centum, other Part thereof, on or before the Twenty fifth Day of September then next following; the further Sum of Fifteen Pounds per Centum, other Part thereof, on or before the Thirtieth Day of October then next following; and the remaining Sum of Fifteen Pounds per Centum, on or before the Seventeenth Day of November then next following; and in reſpect of their proportionable Share of the ſaid Sum of Six hundred thouſand Pounds, to be contributed upon account of the ſaid Lottery, the further Sum of Twenty five Pounds per Centum, being Part of the Sum remaining, on or before the Sixteenth Day of June, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven; the further Sum of Thirty Pounds per Centum, other Part thereof, on or before the Twenty eighth Day of July then next following; and the remaining Sum of Forty Pounds per Centum, on or before the Eleventh Day of September then next following.

15 *l. per Cent.* by 27 *Auguſt*;
15 *l. per Cent.* by 25 *Sept.*
15 *l. per Cent.* by 30 *October*; and
15 *l. per Cent.* by 17 *Nov.*
Subſcriptions to the Lottery to be paid, *viz.*
25 *l. per Cent.* by 16 *June*;
30 *l. per Cent.* by 28 *July*; and
40 *l. per Cent.* by 11 *Sept.*

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſeveral Subſcribers or Contributors, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, and Aſſigns; in reſpect of the ſaid Sum of Nine hundred thouſand Pounds, ſhall be intitled to an Annuity after the Rate of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, for and upon every One hundred Pounds by them reſpectively ſubſcribed, advanced, and paid, towards the ſaid Sum, redeemable by Parliament; which Annuity ſhall commence and be computed from the Fifth Day of January, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven; and that the ſaid Sum of Six hundred thouſand Pounds, to be raiſed by the ſaid Lottery, ſhall carry an Annuity after the Rate of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, redeemable by Parliament; and ſuch laſt mentioned Annuity ſhall commence and be computed from the Fifth Day of January, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty eight; and all the ſaid Annuities ſhall, from their ſaid reſpective Commencements, be paid by Half-yearly Payments, in even and equal Portions, on the Fifth Day of July, and the Fifth Day of January, in every Year.

Subſcribers to the ſaid Sum of 900,000 *l.* intitled to an Annuity of 3 *l. per Cent.*
Intereſt to commence from 5 *Jan.* 1767.
The 600,000 *l.* to be raiſed by a Lottery, to carry an Intereſt of 3 *l. per Cent.* to commence from 5 *Jan.* 1768.
Intereſt on both Sums to be paid Half-yearly, on 5 *July*, & 5 *Jan.*

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all ſuch Subſcribers or Contributors, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, and Aſſigns, paying in the Whole of the Sums by them reſpectively ſubſcribed towards the ſaid Sum of Nine hundred thouſand

Subſcribers paying the Whole of their Subſcriptions towards the Annuities on or before 27 *October*,

Pounds, on or before the Twenty ſeventh Day of October, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven; or paying in the Whole of the reſpective Sums to be by them paid towards the ſaid Lottery, on or before the Twenty fourth Day of July, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven; ſhall be allowed an Intereſt, by way of Diſcount, after the Rate of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, on the Monies ſo paid for compleating their Contributions reſpectively, to be computed from the Day of compleating the ſame, to the Seventeenth Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven, in reſpect of the Monies ſo paid for compleating ſuch Contributions to the ſaid Sum of Nine hundred thouſand Pounds; and to the Eleventh Day of September, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven, in reſpect of the Monies ſo paid for compleating ſuch Contributions to the ſaid Lottery; which Allowances ſhall be paid by the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers out of the Monies ſo contributed reſpectively, as ſoon as ſuch Subſcribers or Contributors, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, ſhall have compleated ſuch reſpective Payments; and that all the Contributors towards the ſaid Lottery, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, paying in the Whole of the Money to be by them reſpectively contributed towards the ſaid Sum of Six hundred thouſand Pounds, ſhall have Lottery Tickets delivered to them to the Amount of the Principal Sum ſo by them paid for the Purchaſe thereof, at the Rate of Ten Pounds for each Ticket, as ſoon as ſuch Tickets can conveniently be made out.

and to the Lottery, on or before 24 *July*,

to be allowed Intereſt, by way of Diſcount, for the ſame.

Tickets for the Lottery to be delivered to Subſcribers compleating their Subſcriptions.

Annuities made tranſferrable.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all the ſaid Annuities ſhall be transferrable at the Bank of England.

Receipts to be given for the Money paid in towards the ſaid Sum of 900,000 *l*

the ſame are made tranſferrable.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Caſhier or Caſhiers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, who ſhall have received or ſhall receive any Part of the ſaid Contributions towards the ſaid Sum of Nine hundred thouſand Pounds, ſhall give a Receipt or Receipts in Writing to every ſuch Contributor for all ſuch Sums; and that every ſuch Receipt ſhall be aſſignable, by Indorſement thereupon made, at any Time before the Fifth Day of December, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven, and no longer.

Caſhier of the Bank to give Security for duly accounting for, and paying over

Provided always, That ſuch Caſhier or Caſhiers ſhall give Security to the good liking of any Three or more of the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or the High Treaſurer for the time being, for duly anſwering and paying

paying into the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, for the Publick Uſe, all the Monies which he or they hath or have already received, and ſhall hereafter receive, from time to time, of and for the ſaid Sum of One million five hundred thouſand Pounds, and for accounting duly for the ſame, and for Performance of the Truſt hereby in him and them repoſed; and ſhall, from time to time, pay all ſuch Monies as ſoon as he or they ſhall receive the ſame, or any Part thereof, or within Five Days afterwards at the fartheſt, into, and ſhall account for the ſame in, the Exchequer, according to the due Courſe thereof; deducting thereout ſuch Sums as ſhall have been paid by him or them in purſuance of this Act; for which Sums ſo paid, Allowance ſhall be made in his or their Accounts. the ſaid Monies into the Exchequer.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall and may be lawful for Three or more of the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or the High Treaſurer for the time being, to iſſue and apply, from time to time, all ſuch Sums of Money as ſhall be ſo paid into the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer by the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers, to ſuch Services as ſhall then have been voted by the Commons of Great Britain in this preſent Seſſion of Parliament. Treaſury to apply the Money to the Services voted this Seſſion.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That in the Office of the Accomptant General of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England for the time being a Book or Books ſhall be provided and kept, in which the Names of the Contributors ſhall be fairly entered; which Book or Books the ſaid reſpective Contributors, their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, and Aſſigns, ſhall and may, from time to time, and at all ſeaſonable Times, reſort to and inſpect, without any Fee or Charge; and that the ſaid Accomptant General ſhall, on or before the Fifth Day of July, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty nine, tranſmit an atteſted Duplicate, fairly written on Paper, of the ſaid Book or Books into the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, there to remain for ever. Names of Contributors to be entered in Books to be provided by the Accomptant General of the Bank; to be inſpected *gratis*: Duplicate to be tranſmitted into the Auditor's Office of the Exchequer.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That ſuch Contributors duly paying their Contribution-monies at or before the reſpective Times in this Act limited in that Behalf, and their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, and Aſſigns, ſhall have, receive, and enjoy, and be intitled, by virtue of this Act, to have, receive, and enjoy, their proportionable Share of the ſaid Annuities of Three Pounds per Centum per Contributors, duly paying their Contribution-monies, intitled to a proportionable Share of the Annuities;

Annum by this Act granted, and ſhall have good and ſure Intereſts and Eſtates therein, ſubject nevertheleſs to Redemption as is herein after mentioned; and that all the Annuities by this Act granted ſhall be free from all Taxes, Charges, and Impoſitions, whatſoever.

and the ſame are to be Tax-free;

but where the Sums ſubſcribed ſhall not be duly paid,

Provided always, That in caſe any ſuch Contributors, who have already depoſited with, or ſhall hereafter pay to, the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers, any Sum or Sums of Money, at the Times and in the Manner before-mentioned, in Part of the Sum or Sums to be by them reſpectively contributed or paid towards the ſaid Sum of Nine hundred thouſand Pounds, or their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, ſhall not advance and pay to the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers the Reſidue of the Sum or Sums ſo to be contributed or paid, at the Times and in the Manner before mentioned; then, and in every ſuch Caſe, ſo much of the reſpective Sum or Sums as ſhall have been actually paid, in Part thereof, to the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers, ſhall be forfeited for the Benefit of the Publick; and all Right and Title to the ſaid Annuities, after the Rate of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, in reſpect thereof, ſhall be extinguiſhed; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

the Depoſit, &c. is forfeited to the Publick.

Credit to be given, in the Books at the Bank, to Contributors compleating their Payments to the ſaid Sum of 900,000 *l.*

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That as ſoon as any Contributors, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, ſhall have compleated their Payments of the whole Sum payable by them reſpectively towards the ſaid Sum of Nine hundred thouſand Pounds, the principal Sum or Sums ſo by them ſubſcribed and paid reſpectively, ſhall forthwith be, in the Books of the Bank of England, placed to the Credit of ſuch reſpective Contributors, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, and Aſſigns, compleating ſuch Payments reſpectively; and the Perſons to whoſe Credit ſuch principal Sums ſhall be ſo placed, their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, ſhall and may have Power to aſſign and tranſfer the ſame, or any Part, Share, or Proportion thereof, to any other Perſon or Perſons, Body or Bodies Politick or Corporate, whatſoever, in the Books of the Bank of England; and ſuch Sums ſhall carry an Annuity after the Rate of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, and ſhall be taken and deemed to be Stock tranſferrable, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, until Redemption thereof, in ſuch Manner as is herein after mentioned.

Perſons, to whoſe Credit ſuch Sums ſhall be placed, may aſſign the ſame;

the ſaid Sums to carry 3 *l. per Cent.* Intereſt, and be deemed tranſferrable Stock.

And

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all the Annuities by this Act granted and made payable, in reſpect of the ſaid Sum of One million five hundred thouſand Pounds, ſhall, from the reſpective Commencements thereof, be charged and chargeable upon, and are hereby charged upon, and made payable out of, the Monies which ſhall, from time to time, ariſe and be in the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, of or for the Surpluſſes, Exceſſes, Overplus Monies, and other Revenues, compoſing the Fund commonly called The Sinking Fund, after paying or reſerving ſufficient to pay all ſuch Sums of Money as have been directed by any former Acts of Parliament to be paid out of the ſame. Annuities charged on the Sinking Fund.

And, for eſtabliſhing a proper Method for drawing the ſaid Lottery, be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That ſuch Perſons as the Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treaſurer, or any Three or more of the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury for the time being, ſhall nominate or appoint, ſhall be Managers and Directors for preparing and delivering out Tickets, and to overſee the Drawing of Lots, and to order, do, and perform, ſuch other Matters and Things as are hereafter in and by this Act directed and appointed by ſuch Managers and Directors to be done and performed; and that ſuch Managers and Directors ſhall meet together, from time to time, at ſome publick Office or Place, for the Execution of the Powers and Truſts in them repoſed by this Act; and that the ſaid Managers and Directors, or ſo many of them as ſhall be preſent at any ſuch Meeting, or the major Part of them, ſhall cauſe Books to be prepared, in which every Leaf ſhall be divided or diſtinguiſhed into Three Columns; and upon the innermoſt of the ſaid Three Columns there ſhall be printed Sixty thouſand Tickets, to be numbered One, Two, Three, and ſo onwards in an arithmetical Progreſſion, where the common Exceſs is to be One, until they riſe to and for the Number of Sixty thouſand; and upon the middle Column in every of the ſaid Books ſhall be printed Sixty thouſand Tickets of the ſame Breadth and Form, and numbered in like Manner; and in the extreme Column of the ſaid Books there ſhall be printed a Third Rank or Series of Tickets, of the ſame Number with thoſe of the other Two Columns; which Tickets ſhall ſeverally be of an oblong Figure, and in the ſaid Books ſhall be joined with oblique Lines, Flouriſhes, or Devices, in ſuch Manner as the ſaid Managers Managers and Directors of the Lottery to be appointed by the Treaſury.

Method of the Lottery Books.

nagers and Directors, or the major Part of them, ſhall think moſt ſafe and convenient; and that every Ticket in the Third or extreme Column of the ſaid Books ſhall have written or printed thereupon (beſides the Number of ſuch Ticket) Words to this Effect:

LOTTERY, *Anno* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven.

THE Bearer of this Ticket will be intitled to ſuch beneficial Chance as ſhall belong thereto, in the Lottery to be drawn purſuant to an Act of Parliament made in the Seventh Year of His Majeſty's Reign.

Managers to examine the Books with the Tickets, and deliver them after to the Caſhiers of the Bank, taking a Receipt for the ſame.

And it is hereby enacted, That the ſaid Managers and Directors, or ſo many of them as ſhall be preſent at any ſuch Meeting, or the major Part of them ſo preſent, ſhall carefully examine all the ſaid Books, with the Tickets therein, and take Care that the ſame be contrived, numbered, and made, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act; and ſhall deliver, or cauſe to be delivered, the ſame Books, and every or any of them, as they ſhall be examined, to the Caſhier or Caſhiers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, taking from ſuch Caſhier or Caſhiers an Acknowledgement in Writing, under his or their Hand or Hands, importing his or their Receipt of ſuch Book or Books, and ſo many Tickets therein as ſhall be delivered to him or them reſpectively; and all and every ſuch Caſhier or Caſhiers reſpectively is and are hereby directed and required, from time to time, to cut out of the ſaid Book or Books ſo to be put into his or their Cuſtody, through the ſaid oblique Lines, Flouriſhes, or Devices, indentwiſe, in the ſaid extreme Columns, ſuch Tickets as ſhall be neceſſary to be delivered to the ſeveral Perſons intitled thereto as aforeſaid; which Tickets the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers ſhall ſign with his or their own Name or Names; and he or they ſhall permit the reſpective Perſon or Perſons ſo intitled, if it be deſired, to write his or her Name or Mark on the correſponding Tickets in the ſame Book; and at the ſame Time the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers ſhall deliver to ſuch Perſon or Perſons the Ticket ſo cut off, which he, ſhe, or they, are to keep and uſe for the better aſcertaining and ſecuring the Intereſt which he, ſhe, or they, his, her, or their Executors,

cutors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, ſhall or may have in the ſaid Annuities.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers, on or before the Third Day of October, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven, ſhall re-deliver to the ſaid Managers and Directors, at their ſaid Office or Place of Meeting, all the ſaid Books, and therein all the Tickets which the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers ſhall not have cut out of the ſame, and delivered to the Perſons intitled thereto, as aforeſaid; and ſhall then and there alſo deliver to the ſaid Managers and Directors a true and juſt Account in Writing, under his or their Hand or Hands, of all Sums of Money accrued or come to the Hands of ſuch Caſhier or Caſhiers, by or for the Tickets delivered, or to be delivered, out purſuant to this Act, and how the ſame, or how much thereof, ſhall have been actually paid by ſuch Caſhier or Caſhiers into the Receipt of the Exchequer for the Purpoſes herein mentioned; and that the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, which ſhall be preſent as aforeſaid, ſhall forthwith cauſe all the Tickets of the ſaid outermoſt Columns which ſhall not have been delivered to the Contributors as aforeſaid (if any ſuch be) to be delivered into the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, there to be retained and kept as Caſh, to be iſſued, ſold, and diſpoſed of, for raiſing Money for the Purpoſes in this Act mentioned, as any Three of the Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, or the High Treaſurer for the time being, ſhall judge fitting.

Caſhiers to return the Books with the Remainder of the Tickets.

And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, which ſhall be preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, ſhall cauſe all the Tickets of the middle Columns in the Books made out with Three Columns as aforeſaid, which ſhall be delivered back to them, by or from the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers as aforeſaid, to be carefully rolled up and made faſt with Thread or Silk; and the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, as aforeſaid, ſhall, in their Preſence, and in the Preſence of ſuch Contributors or Adventurers as will be there, cauſe all the ſaid Tickets, which are to be ſo rolled up and made faſt as aforeſaid, to be cut off indentwiſe through the ſaid oblique Lines, Flouriſhes, or Devices, into a Box to be prepared for that Purpoſe, and to be marked with the Letter (A) which is preſently to be put up into another ſtrong Box, and to be locked with Seven different Locks and Keys, to be kept by as many of the ſaid Managers and

Tickets of the middle Columns to be rolled up, and faſtened with Silk;

and cut off indentwiſe into a Box marked with the Letter (A)

Box to be locked up and ſealed.

and Directors, and ſealed with their Seals, or the Seals of ſome of them, until the ſaid Tickets are to be drawn, as is herein after-mentioned; and that the Tickets in the firſt or innermoſt Columns of the ſaid Books, ſhall remain ſtill in the Books for diſcovering any Miſtake or Fraud (if any ſuch ſhould happen to be committed) contrary to the true Meaning of this Act.

Books to be prepared with 2 Columns, on each of which 60,000 Tickets to be printed.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, which ſhall be preſent at any Meeting as aforeſaid, ſhall alſo prepare, or cauſe to be prepared, other Books, in which every Leaf ſhall be divided or diſtinguiſhed into Two Columns; and upon the innermoſt of thoſe Two Columns there ſhall be printed Sixty thouſand Tickets, and upon the outermoſt of the ſaid Two Columns there ſhall be printed Sixty thouſand Tickets, all which ſhall be of equal Length and Breadth, as near as may be; which Two Columns in the ſaid Books ſhall be joined with ſome Flouriſh or Device, through which the outermoſt Tickets may be cut off indentwiſe; and that Twenty one thouſand eight hundred and thirty eight Tickets, Part of thoſe to be contained in the outermoſt Columns of the Books laſt-mentioned, ſhall be, and be called the Fortunate Tickets, to which Benefits ſhall belong, as is herein after mentioned; and the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, or ſuch of them as ſhall be preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, ſhall cauſe the ſaid Fortunate Tickets to be written upon, or otherwiſe expreſſed, as well in Figures as in Words at Length, in Manner following; that is to ſay, Upon One of them Twenty thouſand Pounds Principal Money; upon every One of Three of them ſeverally, Ten thouſand Pounds Principal Money; upon every One of Four of them ſeverally, Five thouſand Pounds Principal Money; upon every One of Ten of them ſeverally, Two thouſand Pounds Principal Money; upon every One of Eighteen of them ſeverally, One thouſand Pounds Principal Money; upon every One of Forty two of them ſeverally, Five hundred Pounds Principal Money; upon every One of Two hundred of them ſeverally, One hundred Pounds Principal Money; upon every One of Six hundred and ten of them ſeverally, Fifty Pounds Principal Money; and upon every One of Twenty thouſand nine hundred and fifty of them ſeverally, Twenty Pounds Principal Money: Which Principal Sums, ſo to be written, or otherwiſe expreſſed upon the ſaid Fortunate Tickets, together with Five hundred Pounds Principal Money,

The Number and Value of the Fortunate Tickets.

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to be allowed to the Owner of the Firſt drawn Ticket, and One thouſand Pounds Principal Money to the Owner of the Laſt drawn Ticket, over and above the Benefits which may happen to belong to the Two laſt mentioned Tickets, will amount in the Whole to the Principal Sum of Six hundred thouſand Pounds, to be converted into Annuities by virtue of this Act in reſpect of the ſaid Lottery; and the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, who ſhall be preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, ſhall cauſe all the ſaid Tickets, contained in the outermoſt Columns of the ſaid laſt-mentioned Books, to be, in the Preſence of the ſaid Managers and Directors, or the major Part of them, which ſhall be preſent at a Meeting as aforeſaid, and in the Preſence of ſuch Contributors or Adventurers as will then be there, to be carefully rolled up and faſtened with Thread or Silk, and carefully cut out indentwiſe through the ſaid Flouriſh or Device, into another Box, to be prepared for this Purpoſe, and to be marked with the Letter (B) which Box ſhall be put into another ſtrong Box, and locked up with Seven different Locks and Keys, to be kept by as many of the ſaid Managers, and ſealed up with their Seals, or the Seals of ſome of them, until theſe Tickets ſhall alſo be drawn in the Manner and Form herein after mentioned; and that the whole Buſineſs of rolling up, and cutting off, and putting into the ſaid Boxes the ſaid Tickets, and locking up and ſealing the ſaid Boxes, ſhall be performed by the ſaid Managers and Directors, or ſuch of them as aforeſaid, before the laſt Six Days immediately preceding the Day by this Act appointed for the Drawing the ſaid Lottery: And to the End every Perſon concerned may be well aſſured that the Counterpart of the ſame Number with his or her Ticket is put into the Box marked with the Letter (A) from whence the ſame may be drawn, and that other Matters are done as hereby directed, ſome publick Notification in Print ſhall be given of the preciſe Time or Times of putting the ſaid Tickets into the ſaid Boxes, to the End that ſuch Adventurers, as ſhall be minded to ſee the ſame done, may be preſent at the doing thereof.

500 *l.* to the Firſt drawn Ticket, and 1000 *l.* to the Laſt drawn.

Tickets of the outermoſt Columns of the laſt-mentioned Book to be rolled up and tied,

and cut out indentwiſe, into a Box marked with the Letter (*B*)

Box to be locked up and ſealed.

Publick Notice to be given of the Times of putting the Tickets into the Boxes.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That on or before the Sixteenth Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven, the ſaid Managers and Directors ſhall cauſe the ſaid ſeveral Boxes, with all the Tickets therein, to be brought into the Guildhall of the City of London, ſo that the ſame may be there, and placed on a Table provided for that Purpoſe,

Lottery to begin drawing on 16 *Nov.* 1767.

Method to be obſerved in drawing, &c.

poſe, by Nine of the Clock in the Forenoon of the ſame Day; and ſhall then and there ſeverally attend this Service, and cauſe the Two Boxes containing the ſaid Tickets, to be ſeverally taken out of the other Two Boxes, in which they ſhall have been locked up; and the Tickets or Lots in the reſpective innermoſt Boxes being, in the Preſence of the ſaid Managers and Directors, or ſuch of them as ſhall be then preſent, and of ſuch Adventurers as will be there for the Satisfaction of themſelves, well ſhaken and mingled in each Box diſtinctly; ſome One indifferent and fit Perſon, to be appointed and directed by the ſaid Managers, or the major Part of them, or ſuch of them as ſhall be then preſent, ſhall take out and draw One Ticket from the Box where the ſaid numbered Tickets ſhall be as aforeſaid put; and One other indifferent and fit Perſon, to be appointed and directed in like Manner, ſhall take out a Ticket or Lot from the Box where the ſaid Twenty one thouſand eight hundred and thirty eight Fortunate, and Thirty eight thouſand one hundred and ſixty two Blank Tickets ſhall be promiſcuouſly put as aforeſaid; and immediately both the Tickets ſo drawn ſhall be opened, and the Number, as well of the Fortunate as the Blank Ticket, ſhall be named aloud; and if the Ticket taken or drawn from the Box containing the Fortunate and Blank Lots ſhall appear to be a Blank, then the numbered Ticket ſo drawn with the ſaid Blank at the ſame Time drawn, ſhall both be put upon One File; and if the Ticket ſo drawn or taken from the Box containing the Fortunate and Blank Lots ſhall appear to be One of the Fortunate Tickets, then the Principal Sum written upon ſuch Fortunate Ticket, whatſoever it be, ſhall be entered by a Clerk, which the ſaid Managers, or the major Part of them as aforeſaid, ſhall employ and overſee for this Purpoſe, into a Book to be kept for entering the Numbers coming up with the ſaid Fortunate Tickets, and the Principal Sums whereunto they ſhall be intitled reſpectively, and Two of the ſaid Managers ſhall ſet their Names as Witneſſes to ſuch Entries; and the ſaid Fortunate and numbered Tickets ſo drawn together, ſhall be put upon another File; and ſo the ſaid Drawing of the Tickets ſhall continue, by taking One Ticket at a Time out of each Box, and with opening, naming aloud, and filing the ſame, and by entering the Fortunate Lots in ſuch Method as is before mentioned, until the whole Number of Twenty one thouſand eight hundred and thirty eight Fortunate Tickets, and One more for the Laſt drawn as aforeſaid, ſhall be completely drawn; and as the ſame cannot be

performed in One Day's Time, the ſaid Managers and Directors ſhall cauſe the Boxes to be locked up and ſealed in Manner as aforeſaid, and adjourn till the next Day, and ſo from Day to Day, and every Day (except Sundays, Chriſtmas-day, Thankſgiving and Faſt Days) and then open the ſame, and proceed as above, till the ſaid whole Number of Twenty one thouſand eight hundred and thirty eight Fortunate Tickets, and One more, ſhall be completely drawn as aforeſaid; and afterwards the ſaid numbered Tickets ſo drawn, with the Fortunate Tickets drawn againſt the ſame, ſhall be and remain in a ſtrong Box locked up as aforeſaid, and under the Cuſtody of the ſaid Managers, until they ſhall take them out to examine, adjuſt, and ſettle the Property thereof. After each Day's Drawing, the Boxes to be locked up and ſealed.

And, to the end the Fortunate may know, whether abſent or preſent, to what Degree they have been ſo; be it enacted, That the ſaid Managers ſhall, as ſoon as conveniently may be, after the ſaid Drawing is over, cauſe to be printed and publiſhed the Number of the Tickets drawn againſt each Fortunate Ticket, and the Principal Sum written on the ſame; and if any Contention or Diſpute ſhall ariſe in the adjuſting the Property of the ſaid Fortunate Tickets, the major Part of the ſaid Managers agreeing therein, ſhall determine to whom it doth or ought to belong: And if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall forge or counterfeit any Ticket or Tickets, Certificate or Certificates, to be made forth by virtue of this Act, or alter any the Number thereof, or utter, vend, barter, or diſpoſe of, or offer to diſpoſe of, any falſe, altered, forged, or counterfeit Ticket or Tickets, Certificate or Certificates, or ſhall bring any forged or counterfeit Ticket or Certificate, or any Ticket or Certificate the Number whereof is altered (knowing the ſame to be ſuch) to the ſaid Managers, or any of them, or to the Caſhier or Caſhiers, or Accomptant General of the Bank of England for the time being, or to any other Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, with a fraudulent Intention; then every ſuch Perſon or Perſons, being thereof convicted in due Form of Law, ſhall be adjudged a Felon, and ſhall ſuffer Death as in Caſes of Felony, without Benefit of Clergy: And the ſaid Managers and Directors, or any Two or more of them, are hereby authorized, required, and impowered, to cauſe any Perſon or Perſons bringing or uttering ſuch forged or counterfeit Ticket or Tickets, Certificate or Certificates, as aforeſaid, to be apprehended, and to commit him, her, or them, to His Majeſty's Gaol of Newgate, or to the Common Gaol of the County or

Numbers of the Fortunate Tickets, and the Sums, to be printed.

Diſputes relating thereto, to be adjuſted by the Managers.

Penalty of forging Tickets or Certificates,

Felony.

Place where ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall be ſo apprehended, to be proceeded againſt for the ſaid Felony according to Law.

Managers to be ſworn.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Perſon that ſhall be appointed as aforeſaid to be a Manager and Director for putting this Act in Execution, before his acting in ſuch Commiſſion (except the adminiſtering the Oath immediately herein after mentioned) ſhall take the Oath following; that is to ſay,

I *A. B.* as a Manager and Director of the Lottery to be drawn in purſuance of an Act of Parliament made in the Seventh Year of His Majeſty's Reign, do ſwear, That I will faithfully execute the Truſt repoſed in me, and that I will not uſe any indirect Art or Means, or permit or direct any Perſon to uſe any indirect Art or Means, to obtain a Prize or Fortunate Lot therein, for myſelf, or any other Perſon whatſoever; and that I will do the utmoſt of my Endeavour to prevent any undue or ſiniſter Practice to be done by any Perſon whatſoever; and that I will, to the beſt of my Judgement, declare to whom any Prize Lot, or Ticket, of Right does belong, according to the true Intent and Meaning of the ſaid Act.

Which ſaid Oath ſhall and may be adminiſtered by any Two or more of the other Managers and Directors.

Caſhier, on receiving the Reſidue of the Sums ſubſcribed,

Provided always, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers, having given Security as aforeſaid, at any Time or Times, before ſuch Caſhier or Caſhiers ſhall have received any Book or Books for the ſaid Lottery from the ſaid Managers, comprehending the ſaid Sixty thouſand Tickets, in Three Columns as aforeſaid, to receive from the ſaid Contributors, or their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, the Monies to be by them reſpectively contributed on account of the ſaid Lottery at One intire Payment, or in ſuch Proportions and Manner as aforeſaid, before ſuch Caſhier or Caſhiers ſhall have received ſuch Book or Books; and the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers ſhall give a Note or Receipt under his or their Hand or Hands,

hands, for the Sum or Sums ſo contributed; and ſhall be obliged thereby, and by this Act, to give the Bearer of every ſuch Note or Receipt a Ticket or Tickets of the extream Column of the Three Columns Book or Books aforeſaid, for every Ten Pounds ſo contributed, paid, or anſwered, as ſoon as he or they ſhall be enabled thereunto, by Delivery of any ſuch Book or Books to him or them from the ſaid Managers as aforeſaid; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

the Bearers intitled to One Lottery Ticket for every 10 *l.* ſubſcribed.

Provided alſo, That in caſe any ſuch Contributor as aforeſaid, who ſhall have advanced and paid down to ſuch Cashier or Cashiers a Proportion of his, her, or their Conſideration-money towards the ſaid Lottery, his, her, or their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, do not advance and pay unto ſuch Cashier or Cashiers the remaining Part of his, her, or their Conſideration-money ſo to be paid in full for ſuch Ticket as aforeſaid, on or before the Times for paying thereof as aforeſaid; that then, and in every ſuch Caſe, every ſuch Contributor ſhall forfeit and loſe to His Majeſty, for the Uſe of the Publick, the Proportion of his, her, or their Purchaſe-money which he, ſhe, or they, ſhall have ſo paid down as aforeſaid towards the Lottery; and in ſuch Caſe, no Ticket or Tickets ſhall be delivered out by the ſaid Cashier or Cashiers to ſuch Contributor or Contributors making ſuch Default, but the Ticket and Tickets which ſhould have been delivered to ſuch Contributor and Contributors, had they paid the full Money for the ſame, ſhall be returned and delivered to the ſaid Managers and Directors by the ſaid Cashier or Cashiers, together with the other Tickets (if any) in the outermoſt Column of the Book and Books firſt herein mentioned, and directed to be prepared, which ſhall not have been diſpoſed of to Contributors as aforeſaid; and ſuch Ticket and Tickets, upon and for which Defaults of Payments ſhall have been made as aforeſaid, ſhall be delivered into the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, with other the ſaid undiſpoſed Tickets (if any) there to be retained and kept as Caſh, and to be iſſued, ſold, and diſpoſed of, for the Purpoſes, and in the Manner, herein before directed and appointed with reſpect to the ſaid undiſpoſed Tickets; and the ſaid Contributor and Contributors making ſuch Default, ſhall not have or receive, or be intitled to have or receive, any Benefit or Advantage for or in reſpect of the Money which he, ſhe, or they, ſhall have paid for or towards the Purchaſe

Contributors not making good their Payments with reſpect to the ſaid Lottery, within the Times limited, to forfeit their Depoſits;

and the Tickets for ſuch Sums to be delivered back into the Exchequer.

chaſe of ſuch Ticket or Tickets; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Managers, &c. to be paid by the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury.

Provided alſo, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That out of the Monies compoſing the ſaid Fund, commonly called The Sinking Fund, it ſhall and may be lawful to and for any Three or more of the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or the High Treaſurer for the time being, to reward the ſaid Managers and Directors, and the Clerks and Officers to be employed by and under them, and any other Officers and Perſons that ſhall and may be any Ways employed in this Affair, for their Labour and Pains, and to diſcharge ſuch incident Expences as ſhall neceſſarily attend the Execution of this Act, in ſuch Manner as any Three or more of the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or the High Treaſurer for the time being, ſhall, from time to time, think fit and reaſonable in that Behalf; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Limitation of Sale of Chances, &c.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no Perſon or Perſons ſhall ſell the Chance or Chances of any Ticket or Tickets in the ſaid Lottery, or any Share or Shares of any Ticket or Tickets in the ſaid Lottery, for a Day or Part of a Day, or for a longer Time leſs than the whole Time of drawing the Lottery then to come; or ſhall receive any Money whatſoever in Conſideration of the Repayment of any Sum or Sums of Money, in caſe any Ticket or Tickets in the ſaid Lottery ſhall prove Fortunate; or ſhall lay any Wager relating to the drawing of any Ticket or Tickets in the ſaid Lottery, either as to the Time of ſuch Ticket or Tickets being drawn, or whether ſuch Ticket or Tickets be drawn Fortunate or Unfortunate; and all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall offend in any of the ſaid Matters, ſhall forfeit and pay Treble the Sum and Sums of Money which ſhall have been received by ſuch Perſon and Perſons, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act; to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at Weſtminſter; in which no Eſſoin, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, ſhall be allowed; One Moiety whereof to be for the Uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs, or Succeſſors, and the other Moiety to be paid to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall ſue for the ſame; and every ſuch Sale, Wager, or Contract, and every Agreement relating thereto, ſhall be, and is hereby declared null and void.

Penalty.

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And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall keep any Office or Offices, or ſhall print or publiſh any Scheme or Propoſal, for receiving any Sum or Sums of Money in Conſideration of any Intereſt to be granted for the ſame in any Ticket or Tickets in the ſaid Lottery, whereof ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall not then be actually poſſeſſed, or in Conſideration of any Sum or Sums of Money to be repaid, in caſe any Ticket, or Number of Tickets, in the ſaid Lottery, which ſhall not be in the actual Poſſeſſion of ſuch Perſon or Perſons, ſhall prove Fortunate or Unfortunate; all and every ſuch Perſon and Perſons ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five hundred Pounds; to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of his Majeſty's Courts of Record at Weſtminſter; in which no Eſſoin, Protection, Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance, ſhall be allowed; One Moety whereof to be for the Uſe of his Majeſty, his Heirs, or Succeſſors, and the other Moiety to be paid to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall ſue for the ſame; and alſo ſhall ſuffer Three Months Impriſonment without Bail or Mainprize.

Perſons ſelling Shares in Tickets of which they are not poſſeſſed,

forfeit 500*l.*

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Offence againſt this Act, or any of the Acts of Parliament made in this Kingdom for preventing private and unlawful Lotteries, ſhall be committed in Ireland, the Offender ſhall incur the like Penalty and Puniſhment, to be inflicted in like Manner as if the Offence was committed in this Kingdom; and that ſuch Penalties as, by this Act, or any of the ſaid Acts, are directed to be recovered in any of his Majeſty's Courts of Record at Weſtminſter, ſhall, in caſe of Offences committed againſt this Act or any of the ſaid Acts in Ireland, be recovered in any of his Majeſty's Courts of Record in Dublin.

Offences committed in *Ireland* againſt Acts for preventing unlawful Lotteries, declared to be puniſhable,

and may be ſued for in *Dublin*.

And, to the End that all and every the Payments upon the Fortunate Tickets may be more eaſily aſcertained, ſettled, and adjuſted, for the Perſons who ſhall become intitled thereunto, be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That as ſoon as conveniently may be after the Drawing of the ſaid Lottery ſhall be completed and ended, all and every the ſaid Fortunate Tickets ſhall be exchanged for Certificates to be ſigned by ſuch of the ſaid Managers as ſhall be appointed for that Purpoſe.

After the Drawing of the Lottery, the Tickets to exchanged for Certificates.

And be it further enacted, That ſuch of the ſaid Managers as any Three or more of the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or the High Treaſurer for the time being, ſhall appoint to take in the ſaid Fortunate Tickets, and deliver

Managers to give Notice of the Time for taking in the Tickets, and delivering out the Certificates, *&c.*

deliver out the said Certificates for and in lieu thereof, shall give timely Notice, by Advertisement to be printed and published in Manner as they shall think fit, of the Days and Times for taking in the said Tickets, and delivering out the said Certificates, for and in lieu of the same; and every Certificate shall be numbered in Course, according to the bringing the Tickets to the Managers so to be appointed for exchanging the same; to which Purpose, such Managers shall enter, or cause to be entered, into a Book or Books to be by them kept for that Purpose, the Name of every Person who shall bring any such Fortunate Ticket or Tickets to be exchanged for such Certificate or Certificates, and the Number or Numbers of the Fortunate Ticket or Tickets which shall be so brought, the Value in Principal Money payable thereupon, and the Day of the Month, and the Year of our Lord, when the same was so brought; which Book and Books shall lie open in the Office to be appointed for taking in the said Tickets to be exchanged for such Certificates, for all Persons concerned to peruse; all which Certificates shall be signed by the Managers so to be appointed, or the major Part of them, and be directed to the Accomptant General of the Bank of England for the time being.

Books to be kept for entering Persons Names,

and the Number of their Tickets, &c.

Certificates to be signed, &c.

Accomptant General to give Credit for the Principal Sums in the Certificates.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Accomptant General of the Bank of England for the time being, to whom the said Certificates are to be directed as aforesaid, shall, upon receiving and taking in the said Certificates, or any of them, give Credit to the Persons named therein, in a Book or Books to be by him provided and kept, for the principal Sums contained in every such Certificate; and the Persons to whose Credit such principal Sums shall be entered in the said Book or Books, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, shall and may have Power to assign or transfer the same, or any Part, Share, or Proportion thereof, to any other Person or Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate whatsoever, in Books to be prepared and kept by the said Accomptant General; and the said Principal Sums so assigned or transferred shall carry the said Annuity of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, and shall be taken and deemed to be Stock transferrable by virtue of this Act, until the Redemption thereof in Manner herein mentioned; and the said Accomptant General of the Bank of England for the time being, is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and file the Certificates, as they shall, from time to time, be received and taken in by him; and to give the Persons

Assignments may be made of the said Sums, &c.

Certificates to be filed and cancelled, and Notes to be given in lieu thereof.

Perſons bringing in the ſame a Note under his Hand, teſtifying the Principal Money for which they ſhall have Credit in the ſaid Book or Books, by Reaſon or Means of the Certificates ſo received, taken in, and cancelled as aforeſaid, and of the Annuities attending the ſame.

Bank to employ a Chief Clerk and Accomptant General,

And, for the more effectual Execution of this Act, be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of England, and their Succeſſors, ſhall, from time to time, until the ſaid Annuities ſhall be redeemed, appoint or employ One or more ſufficient Perſon or Perſons within their Office in the City of London to be their Chief or Firſt Caſhier or Caſhiers, and One other ſufficient Perſon within the ſame Office to be their Accomptant General; and that ſo much of the Monies, from time to time, and at any Time, ariſing or being in the Receipt of the Exchequer of or for the Surpluſſes, Exceſſes, Overplus Monies, and other Revenues compoſing the Fund, commonly called The Sinking Fund, as ſhall be ſufficient, from time to time, to anſwer the Half-yearly Payments of the ſaid Annuities, ſhall (after paying, or reſerving ſufficient to pay, all ſuch Sums of Money as, before the paſſing of this Act, ſhall have been directed by any former Acts of Parliament to be paid out of the ſaid Fund) by Order of the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treaſurer for the time being, without any further or other Warrant to be had in that Behalf, be iſſued and paid at the ſaid Receipt of Exchequer to the ſaid Firſt or Chief Caſhier or Caſhiers of the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of England and their Succeſſors for the time being, by way of Impreſt and upon Account, for the Payment of the ſaid Annuities; and that ſuch Caſhier or Caſhiers to whom the ſaid Monies ſhall, from time to time, be iſſued, ſhall, from time to time, without Delay, apply and pay the ſame accordingly, and render his or their Accounts thereof according to the due Courſe of the Exchequer.

Monies to be iſſued out of the Sinking Fund, from time to time, to the ſaid Clerk, for Payment of the Annuities;

who is to apply the ſame accordingly, and render an Account thereof.

Accomptant General to inſpect the Receipts and Payments, with the Vouchers.

And it is hereby alſo enacted, That the ſaid Accomptant General for the time being ſhall, from time to time, inſpect and examine all Receipts and Payments of the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers, and the Vouchers relating thereunto, in Order to prevent any Fraud, Negligence, or Delay.

Annuities deemed a Perſonal Eſtate,

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Perſons and Corporations intitled to any of the ſaid Annuities, and their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, and Aſſigns, reſpectively, and all Perſons and Corporations lawfully claiming under them, ſhall

have good, ſure, abſolute, and indefeaſible Eſtates and Intereſts in the ſame, according to the Tenor and true Meaning of this Act, and ſhall be poſſeſſed thereof as of a Perſonal Eſtate, which ſhall not be deſcendable to Heirs, nor liable to any Foreign Attachment by the Cuſtom of London, or otherwiſe; any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

and to be added to the Joint Stock transferrable at the Bank;

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all the Monies to which any Perſon or Perſons ſhall be intitled by virtue of this Act, in reſpect of any Sum advanced or contributed towards the ſaid Sum of Nine hundred thouſand Pounds, on which the ſaid Annuities, after the Rate of Three Pounds per Centum, ſhall be attending, and the Principal Sums to be determined by the Drawing of the ſaid Lottery, to be attended with Annuities after the like Rate, ſhall be added to and made Part of the Joint Stock of Annuities tranſferrable at the Bank of England, into which the ſeveral Sums carrying an Intereſt after the ſame Rate were converted by certain Acts of Parliament, made in the Twenty fifth, Twenty eighth, and Twenty ninth, Years of His late Majeſty's Reign, and by ſeveral other Acts; ſubject, nevertheleſs, to Redemption by Parliament, in ſuch Manner and upon ſuch Notice as in the ſaid Act made in the Twenty fifth Year of His ſaid late Majeſty's Reign is directed, in reſpect of the ſeveral and reſpective Sums, or any Part thereof, for which the ſeveral and reſpective Annuities therein mentioned, or any of them, are payable; and that all and every Perſon and Perſons, and Corporations, whatſoever, in Proportion to the Money to which he, ſhe, or they, ſhall be intitled as aforeſaid, ſhall have, and be deemed to have, a proportional Intereſt and Share in the ſaid Joint Stock of Annuities.

ſubject to Redemption.

Transfer Books to be kept by the Accomptant General.

Method of tranſferring Stock.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That Books ſhall be conſtantly kept by the ſaid Accomptant General for the time being, wherein all Aſſignments or Tranſfers of all Sums advanced or contributed towards the ſaid Sum of Nine hundred thouſand Pounds, and of all Sums determined and aſcertained by the drawing of the ſaid Lottery, ſhall be entered and regiſtered; which Entries ſhall be conceived in proper Words for that Purpoſe, and ſhall be ſigned by the Party or Parties making ſuch Aſſignments or Tranſfers; or, if any ſuch Party or Parties be abſent, by his, her, or their Attorney or Attornies thereunto lawfully authorized, by Writing under his, her, or their Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, to be atteſted by Two or more credible Witneſſes;

neſſes; and that the Perſon or Perſon to whom ſuch Transfer ſhall be made, ſhall reſpectively underwrite his, her, or their Acceptance thereof; and that no other Method of aſſigning or transferring any Part of the ſaid Annuities or Principal Sums ſhall be good and available in Law; and that no Stamp Duties whatſoever ſhall be charged on the ſaid Transfers, or any of them.

Annuities deviſeable by Will.

Entry to be made of ſuch Clauſe in the Will.

Provided always, That all Perſons poſſeſſed of any Eſtate, Share, or Intereſt, in the ſaid Annuities, may deviſe the ſame by Will; but that no Payment ſhall be made upon any ſuch Deviſe, until ſo much of the ſaid Will as relates to ſuch Eſtate, Share, or Intereſt, be entered in the Office of the ſaid Governor and Company; and that in Default of ſuch Transfer or Deviſe, ſuch Share, Eſtate, or Intereſt, ſhall go to the Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Succeſſors.

Treaſury to pay all incident Charges attending the Execution of this Act;

and to make an Allowance to the Caſhier, and Accomptant General;

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treaſurer for the time being, ſhall have Power, and he and they is and are hereby authorized to defray ſuch incidental Charges as ſhall neceſſarily attend the Execution of this Act, in ſuch Manner as to him or them ſhall ſeem juſt and reaſonable, out of the Surpluſſes, Exceſſes, Overplus Monies, and other Revenues, compoſing the Fund commonly called The Sinking Fund; and alſo to appoint ſuch Allowances as he or they ſhall think proper, out of the ſaid Fund, for the Service, Pains, and Labour, of the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers in receiving, paying, and accounting for, the ſaid Contributions and the ſaid Annuities; and for the Service, Pains, and Labour of the ſaid Accomptant General, for performing the Truſt hereby repoſed in him: All which Allowances to be made as aforeſaid in reſpect of the Service, Pains, and Labour, of any Officer or Officers of the ſaid Governor and Company, ſhall be for the Uſe and Benefit of the ſaid Governor and Company, and at their Diſpoſal only.

to be at the Diſpoſal of the Governor and Company of the Bank.

Bank to continue a Corporation till theſe Annuities be redeemed, &c.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of England, and their Succeſſors, notwithſtanding the Redemption of all or any of their own Funds in purſuance of the Acts for eſtabliſhing the ſame, or any of them, ſhall continue a Corporation for the Purpoſes of this Act, until all the ſaid Annuities ſhall be redeemed by Parliament; and that the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of England, or any Member thereof, ſhall not incur any Diſability for or by reaſon of their doing any Matter or Thing in purſuance of this Act.

And

No Fee to be taken for receiving or paying the Contribution-monies, Annuities, &c.

And be it further enacted, That no Fee, Reward, or Gratuity whatſoever, ſhall be demanded or taken of any of His Majeſty's Subjects, for receiving or paying the ſaid Contribution-monies, or any of them, or for any Tallies or Receipts concerning the ſame, or for iſſuing the Monies for paying the ſaid Annuities, or any of them, or for any Transfer of any Sum, great or ſmall, to be made in purſuance of this Act; upon Pain that any Offender, or Perſon offending, by taking or demanding any ſuch Fee, Reward, or Gratuity, ſhall, for every ſuch Offence, forfeit the Sum of Twenty Pounds to the Party aggrieved, with full Coſts of Suit; to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at Weſtminſter; wherein no Eſſoin, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law, Injunction, or Order of Reſtraint, or any more than One Imparlance, ſhall be granted or allowed.

on Penalty of 20 l.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall be ſued, moleſted, or proſecuted, for any Thing done by virtue or in purſuance of this Act, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall and may plead the General Iſſue, and give this Act, and the Special Matter, in Evidence, in his, her, or their Defence or Defences; and if afterwards a Verdict ſhall paſs for the Defendant or Defendants, or the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs ſhall diſcontinue his, her, or their Action or Proſecution, or be nonſuited, or Judgement ſhall be given againſt him, her, or them, upon Demurrer or otherwiſe; then ſuch Defendant or Defendants ſhall have Treble Coſts awarded to him, her, or them, againſt any ſuch Plaintiff or Plaintiffs.

General Iſſue.

Treble Coſts.

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FINIS.