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CAP. LXIV.

An Act to amend an Act paſſed in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, for enabling the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to grant Life Annuities. [3d *June* 1809.]

WHEREAS an Act was paſſed in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, *An Act for enabling the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to grant Life Annuities*, and it was thereby provided, that the total Amount of any Annuity or Annuities to be granted upon the Continuance of the Life of any One Nominee, ſhould not in any Caſe, except as therein is excepted, exceed the Annual Sum of One thouſand Pounds, and that the total Amount of any Annuity or Annuities to be granted upon the Continuance of the Lives of any Two Nominees, or of the Life of the longer Liver of them, ſhould not in any Caſe (except as aforeſaid) exceed the Annual Sum of One thouſand five hundred Pounds: And whereas it is expedient to enable the granting of Life Annuities to a larger Amount than is limited by the ſaid recited Act; 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 from and after the paſſing of this Act, it ſhall be lawful for the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, to grant under the Proviſions of the ſaid recited Act any Annuity or Annuities of any Annual Amount,

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Life Annuities under recited Act extended to 3,000l. &c.

Amount, upon the Continuance either of the Life of any One Nominee or of the Lives of any Two Nominees, and of the Life of the longer Liver of them, ſo as the ſame do not in any Caſe exceed the Annual Sum of Three thouſand Pounds, except in ſuch Caſes wherein by the ſaid recited Act an Annuity or Annuities to a larger Amount than is thereby limited, is or are, under the Reſtrictions and Proviſions therein contained, authorized to be granted, in which Caſes it ſhall alſo be lawful, under the like Reſtrictions and Proviſions, to grant any Annuity to a larger Amount than by this Act is provided, any Thing in the ſaid recited Act to the contrary thereof notwithſtanding.

Inſtead of the Certificates, &c. required by the recited Act for Payment of Annuities, the Certificate in the Schedule, where the Nominees appear, ſhall be uſed.

II. And whereas for enabling the Receipt of Half-yearly Payments of Life Annuities granted under the Proviſions of the ſaid recited Act, certain Certificates and Affidavits are thereby required to be produced to the Officer appointed in purſuance thereof, in Proof that the reſpective Nominees of ſuch Annuities are living at the Time of the reſpective Half-yearly Payments thereof becoming due, and ſuch Officer is thereupon required upon the Production of ſuch Certificates and Affidavits to grant a Certificate in the Form in the Schedule to the ſaid Act annexed, marked (F.) for authorizing ſuch Half-yearly Payments at the Bank of *England*: And whereas it is expedient to diſpenſe with the Production of the ſaid Certificates and Affidavits in Caſes where the reſpective Nominee ſhall appear perſonally before the ſaid Officer, and ſuch Officer ſhall be ſatisfied of the Identity of ſuch Nominees; be it therefore further enacted, That in caſe any Nominee on whoſe Life any Annuity ſhall depend, whether ſingly or jointly with any other Nominee, ſhall appear perſonally before the Officer appointed in purſuance of the ſaid recited Act, on the Day on which a Half-yearly Payment of the ſaid Annuity ſhall become due, or on any Day ſubſequent thereto, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Officer in caſe he ſhall be ſatisfied of the Identity of ſuch Nominee to grant a Certificate in the Form ſpecified in the Schedule to this Act annexed, although the Certificates and Affidavits required by the ſaid Act ſhall not be produced to him, which Certificate to be granted by the ſaid Officer in purſuance of this Act, being produced to and lodged with the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, ſhall be ſufficient to authorize them, and they are hereby required to pay to the Perſon entitled to receive the ſaid Annuity, not only the Half-yearly Payment thereof which ſhall have become due on the Day on which any ſuch Nominee ſhall be certified as living, but alſo all preceding Half-yearly Payments of ſuch Annuity which ſhall have become due, but which ſhall not have been paid, any Thing in the ſaid recited Act to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Perſonating Nominees or forging Certificates, Felony.

III. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall wilfully, falſely, and deceitfully, perſonate any true and real Nominee or Nominees, or ſhall wilfully, falſely, and deceitfully repreſent any other Perſon or Perſons than the true and real Nominee or Nominees to be ſuch true or real Nominee or Nominees, or ſhall forge, counterfeit, or alter, or act, or aſſiſt in forging, counterfeiting, or altering any Certificate or Certificates to be granted by the ſaid Officer in purſuance of this Act, or ſhall utter any ſuch forged Certificate knowing the ſame to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, with Intent to defraud His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, or any other Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, then and in every ſuch Caſe all and every ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo offending, and being thereof lawfully convicted, ſhall be adjudged guilty of Felony, and ſhall ſuffer Death as in Caſes of Felony without Benefit of Clergy.

SCHEDULE to which this Act refers.

FORM of CERTIFICATE to be granted, in order to enable the Receipt of the Annuity from Time to Time at the Bank of *England*.

'I DO hereby certify to the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, in purſuance to the Proviſions of an Act paſſed in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act* [*here inſert the Title of this Act*] that *A. B.* the Nominee [*or* in caſe of two Nominees, One of the Two Nominees] deſcribed in the Certificate No. of the Day of granted for the Purpoſe of enabling the Transfer of Three Pounds *per Centum* Conſolidated [*or* Reduced] Bank Annuities for the Purchaſe of a Life Annuity on the Life of the ſaid [*or* on the Lives of the ſaid and and the Life of the longer Liver of them] appeared perſonally before me, on the Day of Witneſs my Hand this Day of 18 .'

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