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GEORGII IV. REGIS.

CAP. X.

An Act to enable His Majesty to make further Provision for Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of *Clarence*. [2d *April* 1827.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, having taken into Consideration Your Majesty's most gracious Message, informing us that Your Majesty was desirous of making such further Provision for the Support and Maintenance of the Duke and Duchess of *Clarence* as might be suitable to the present Situation of Their Royal Highnesses, 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, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the King's most Excellent Majesty, by any Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to give and grant unto His said Royal Highness the Duke of *Clarence*, for and during His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, an Annuity or Yearly Sum of Three thousand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, in such Proportions and in such Manner and Form as His Majesty in His Wisdom shall think fit to direct and appoint the same; which Annuity shall commence and take effect from the Fifth Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, and shall be paid and payable quarterly, in equal Portions, at the Four most usual Days of Payment in the Year; (that is to say,) the Fifth Day of *April*, the Fifth Day of *July*, the Tenth Day of *October*, and the Fifth Day of *January*, in each and every Year.

His Majesty may grant an Annuity of 3,000*l.* to His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence, to commence from 5th Jan. 1827;

II. And

and also an Annuity of 6,000*l.* to the Duchess of Clarence, to commence at the same Time.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the King's most Excellent Majesty, by any Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to give and grant unto Her said Royal Highness the Duchess of *Clarence*, 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, to the Use of or in Trust for Her said Royal Highness, an Annuity of Six thousand Pounds of like lawful Money, for and during the natural Life of Her said Royal Highness, to commence at the same Time, and to be paid and payable in equal Portions at the Four Days of Payment herein-before mentioned, as the Annuity to His said Royal Highness; and that the said several Annuities shall and may, in and by such Letters Patent, be directed to be respectively issuing and payable out of and chargeable upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* (after paying and reserving sufficient to pay all such Sums as have been directed to be paid out of the same by any Act or Acts made previous to the Time of passing this Act), but with Preference to all other Payments which shall or may, at any Time or Times after the passing of this Act, be charged upon and payable out of the said Fund.

Annuities to be payable out of the Consolidated Fund.

III. And be it further enacted, That the said several Annuities, as the same shall take effect, shall be paid and payable during the Continuance of the same respectively, at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster*, out of the said Fund called "The Consolidated Fund;" and the Auditor of the said Receipt shall and he is hereby required, by virtue of such Letters Patent respectively, to make forth and pass Debentures from Time to Time for paying the said several Annuities during the Continuance of the same respectively, and as the same shall become due and payable, 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 any Person hereby entitled to receive any such Annuity, or of any Person or Persons who shall be duly authorized and appointed to receive such Annuity, or any Part thereof, shall be a good and sufficient Discharge for the Payment thereof; and the said Debentures, to be made forth and passed as aforesaid, shall be a sufficient Authority to the several and respective Officers of the Receipt of the Exchequer now and for the Time being, for the Payment of the said several Annuities, as the same shall take effect, according to the Directions of this Act, without any further or other Warrant to be sued for, had, or obtained in that Behalf.

Annuities to be free of all Charges.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the said several Annuities, and every Part thereof respectively, shall be free and clear from all Taxes, Rates, and Assessments, and all other Charges whatever, imposed or to be imposed by Authority of Parliament, or otherwise.

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