CAP. XVIII.

An Act for raising the Sum of Sixteen Millions by way of Annuities.

[5th *May* 1855.]

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, being desirous to raise the necessary Supplies which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in this Session of Parliament, have resolved, That the Sum of Sixteen Millions be raised by Annuities in manner herein-after mentioned, and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen'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, as follows:

Contributors entitled to 100*l.* in the Three per Cent. Consols, and to an Annuity of 14*s.* 6*d.* for 30 Years.

I. Every Contributor towards raising the said Sum of Sixteen Millions shall for every One hundred Pounds contributed and paid be entitled to the Principal Sum of One hundred Pounds in Consolidated Annuities, after the Rate of Three Pounds *per Centum*, to commence from the Fifth Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, and shall also be entitled to a further Annuity of Fourteen Shillings and Sixpence for a Term of Thirty Years, to commence from the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

Contributors who have made Deposits to pay the Remainder of Subscriptions by Instalments.

II. 'And whereas, pursuant to and upon the 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 Sixteen Millions to be raised by Annuities, 'and made Deposits of Ten Pounds *per Centum* on the respective Sums by them so subscribed 'to the said Sum of Sixteen Millions to be raised by Annuities with the Cashiers of the 'Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*:'

It shall and may be lawful to and for such Contributors who have made such Deposits with the Cashier or Cashiers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* (which Cashier or Cashiers is and are hereby appointed the Receiver and Receivers of such Contributions, without any other Warrant to be had in that Behalf,) to advance and pay unto the said Cashier or Cashiers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* the several Remainders of the Sums by them respectively subscribed towards the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, at or before the respective Days and Times and in the Proportions herein-after limited and appointed in that Behalf; (that is to say,) the further Sum of Fifteen Pounds *per Centum* on or before the Twenty-second Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five; the further Sum of Ten Pounds *per Centum* on or before the Nineteenth Day of *June* then next following; the further Sum of Fifteen Pounds *per Centum* on or before the Seventeenth Day of *July* then next following; the further Sum of Ten Pounds *per Centum* on or before the Twenty-first Day of *August* then next following; the further Sum of Ten Pounds *per Centum* on or before the Eighteenth Day of *September* then next following; the further Sum of Ten Pounds *per Centum* on or before the Sixteenth Day of *October* then next following; the further Sum of Ten Pounds *per Centum* on or before the Twentieth Day of *November* then next following; and the remaining Sum of Ten Pounds *per Centum* on or before the Eighteenth Day of *December* then next following.

Power to Guardians, &c. to subscribe for Infants.

III. It shall and may be lawful for any Guardian or Trustee having the Disposition of the Money of any Infant to contribute and pay for or towards advancing the said Sum of Sixteen Millions to be raised by Annuities in manner aforesaid, and such Infant, upon the Payment of such Sum or Sums subscribed by such Guardian or Trustee, shall become a Contributor within the Meaning of this Act, and be entitled to have and receive the Annuities, Advantages, and Payments in respect thereof, in such and the like Manner as any other Contributor; and the said Guardian and Trustee as to the said Sum or Sums so advanced is hereby discharged, so as the Name of such Infant be expressed in the Receipt or Receipts for such Money.

Contributors entitled to certain An-

IV. The several Subscribers or Contributors, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, in respect of the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, shall be entitled, for every

nuities payable half-yearly.

One hundred Pounds by him, her, or them respectively advanced and paid, to an Annuity after the Rate of Three Pounds *per Centum*, to commence from the Fifth Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, until Redemption by Parliament in manner herein-after mentioned, and also to an Annuity of Fourteen Shillings and Sixpence for the Term of Thirty Years from the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, and no longer, which said respective Annuities shall be payable and paid half-yearly by even and equal Portions; that is to say, the said Annuity after the Rate of Three Pounds *per Centum* on the Fifth Day of *July* and the Fifth Day of *January* in every Year, and the said Annuity of Fourteen Shillings and Sixpence on the Fifth Day of *April* and Tenth Day of *October* in every Year, the first Payment of each of the said Annuities to be due on the Days herein-after appointed for that Purpose.

Time at which Stock may be transferred.

V. As soon as any Contributors, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, or Assigns, shall, after Payment of the Deposit of Ten *per Centum*, have made Payment of any subsequent Instalment payable by them respectively on the Day specified in this Act towards the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, such Contributors may have a proportional Amount of Stock in Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, and of the said Terminable Annuity in respect of such Instalment, forthwith placed in the Books of the Bank of *England* to the Credit of such respective Contributors, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns; and on Payment of the last Instalment, such Contributors, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, shall have a proportional Amount of like Stock and of the said Terminable Annuity placed to their respective Credits, corresponding, at the Rate aforesaid, to the aggregate Amount of the Deposit and of such last Instalment; and the Persons to whose Credit such Consolidated Annuities and Terminable Annuity, or such proportional Parts thereof, shall be so placed, their respective Executors, Administrators, Successors, and 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 Politic or Corporate, whatsoever in the Books of the Bank of *England*; and the said Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* are hereby required, as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act, to prepare proper Books for the Purpose of entering the Names of all such Contributors, and of placing to their Credit the Principal Sums so paid by them respectively; and such Stock shall carry the Annuities after the Rate of Three Pounds *per Centum per Annum*, to be payable under this Act, until Redemption thereof in such Manner as is herein-after mentioned, and, together with the said Terminable Annuities created under this Act, shall be transferable as this Act directs, and not otherwise.

Contributors may anticipate Payments.

VI. All and every such Contributor or Contributors, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, who shall pay into the Hands of the said Cashier or Cashiers the whole of his, her, or their Contribution Money, or any Part thereof, in anticipation of the said Instalments or any of them, shall be entitled to have forthwith inscribed into his, her, or their Names the whole or such proportional Amount of the said Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities, and of the said Terminable Annuity; but Discount shall not be allowed on any such Payment in anticipation of any of the said Instalments.

Commencement of Dividends.

VII. The First Half Year's Payment of the said Annuity after the Rate of Three Pounds *per Centum* shall be due on the Fifth Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five on all Sums of Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities written into the Books of the Bank of *England*, under the Authority of this Act, not later than the preceding Twenty-fifth Day of *June*, and the First Half Year's Payment of the said Terminable Annuity shall be due on the Tenth Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five in respect of every such Terminable Annuity written into the Books of the Bank of *England* not later than the Twenty-fifth Day of *September* preceding; and in respect of all Sums of Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities written into the said Books as aforesaid after the said Twenty-fifth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five One Year's Annuity shall be due on the Fifth Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in respect of every such Terminable Annuity so written in after the Twenty-fifth Day of *September* One Year's Annuity shall be due on the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

VIII. All

VIII. All the Annuities aforesaid shall be payable and paid and be transferable at the Bank of *England*; and the Three *per Centum* Annuities aforesaid shall be subject to such Redemption as is herein-after mentioned. Annuities payable and transferable at the Bank.

IX. So much Money shall from Time to Time be set apart and issued at the Receipt of the Exchequer out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* to the said Cashier or Cashiers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, as shall be sufficient to satisfy and pay the respective Annuities to be created in respect of the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, together with the Charges attending the same. Money to be issued for Payment of Annuities and Charges in respect of 16,000,000*l.*,

X. All the said Annuities, Interest, and Dividends which shall become payable in respect of the said Sum of Sixteen Millions shall be charged and chargeable upon, and are hereby charged upon and made payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*. and shall be charged upon the Consolidated Fund.

XI. For the more easy and sure Payment of all the Annuities established by this Act, the said Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, and their Successors, shall from Time to Time, until all the said Annuities shall be redeemed, or shall cease, appoint and 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 Accountant General; and so much of the Monies by this Act appropriated for the Purpose as shall be sufficient from Time to Time to answer the said Annuities and other Payments herein directed to be made out of the said Monies, in respect of the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, shall, by Order of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, without any further Warrant to be sued for, had, or obtained in that Behalf, from Time to Time, at the respective Days of Payment in this Act appointed for Payment thereof, be issued and paid at the Receipt of the 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 Annuities in respect of the said Sum of Sixteen Millions payable by virtue of this Act; and such Cashier or Cashiers, to whom the said Money shall from Time to Time be issued, shall from Time to Time, without Delay, pay the same accordingly, and render his or their Accounts thereof according to the due Course of the Exchequer; and the said Accountant 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 thereto, in order to prevent any Fraud, Negligence, or Delay. The Bank to appoint a Cashier and an Accountant General, and the Treasury to order Money to be issued to the Cashier for Payment of Annuities.

XII. 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 Sixteen Millions, shall give a Receipt or Receipts in Writing to every such Contributor for all such Sums; and the Receipts so to be given shall be assignable at any Time before the Eighteenth Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, and no longer: Provided always, that such Cashier or Cashiers shall give Security to the good liking of any Two or more of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, for duly answering and paying into the Receipt of the Exchequer as after mentioned, for the Public Use, all the Monies which he or they has or have already received, and shall hereafter receive from Time to Time, of and for the whole of the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, and for accounting duly for the same, and for Performance of the Trust hereby in him or 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. Cashier to give Receipt for Subscriptions, which may be assigned before 18th December 1855. Cashier to give Security for paying the Money he receives into the Exchequer.

XIII. In the Office of the Accountant 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 A Book to be kept in the Accountant General's Office for entering Contributors

Names, a Duplicate whereof to be transmitted to the Exchequer.

any Fee or Charge; and the said Accountant General shall, on or before the Fifth Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, transmit an attested Duplicate, fairly written on Paper, of the said Book or Books into the Office of the Receipt of the Exchequer, there to remain for ever.

Subscriptions paid in Part and not completed, forfeited.

XIV. 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 Time and in the Manner herein-before mentioned, in Part of the Sum or Sums so by them respectively subscribed, 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 subscribed at the Times and in the Manner before mentioned, then and in every such Case the aforesaid Deposit of Ten Pounds *per Centum* shall be forfeited for the Benefit of the Public, and all Right and Title to the said Ten Pounds *per Centum* Deposit, and to the Annuities in respect thereof, shall be extinguished; anything in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Annuities to be deemed Personal Estate.

XV. All Persons and Corporations who shall be entitled to any of the Annuities hereby granted in respect of the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, and all Persons and Corporations lawfully claiming under them, shall be possessed thereof as of a Personal Estate, which shall not be descendible to Heirs, nor liable to any Foreign Attachment by the Custom of *London*, or otherwise; any Law, Statute, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Power to Treasury to apply the Money paid into the Exchequer.

XVI. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to issue and apply from Time to Time all such Sums of Money as have been or shall be so paid into the Receipt of Her Majesty's Exchequer by the said Cashier or Cashiers, in respect of the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, to such Services as are now charged on the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or shall be charged thereon by any Act that may be passed hereafter.

Accountant General to keep Books for entering Transfers.

XVII. Books shall be constantly kept by the said Accountant General for the Time being, wherein all Assignments or Tranfers of all Sums of Stock in the Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities created under this Act, and of the said Terminable Annuities, shall be entered and registered, which Entry shall be conceived in proper Words for that Purpose, and shall be signed by the Parties making such Assignments or Transfers, or if such Parties be absent, by their respective Attorney or Attornies thereunto lawfully authorized in Writing under his or their Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, to be attested by Two or more credible Witnesses; and the several Persons to whom such Transfers shall be made may respectively underwrite their Acceptance thereof, and no other Method of assigning and transferring the said Stock or Annuities, or any Part thereof, or any Interest therein, shall be good or available in Law; and no Stamp Duties whatsoever shall be charged on any of the said Transfers, any Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

Transfers not liable to Stamp Duties.

Treasury to defray Incidents.

XVIII. Out of the Monies arising from the Contributions towards raising the said Sum of Sixteen Millions by Annuities, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall have Power to discharge all such incident Charges as shall necessarily attend the Execution of this Act, in such Manner as to them shall seem just and reasonable.

Allowance for the Expense of Management.

XIX. It shall be lawful to and for the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* to retain out of the said Contributions at the Rate of Three Hundred Pounds for every Million thereof as an Allowance for the Service, Pains, and Labour of the said Cashier or Cashiers employed in receiving, paying, and accounting for the same; and also for the Service, Pains, and Labour of the said Accountant General for performing the Trust reposed in him by this Act, which Allowance, in respect of the Service, Pains, and Labour of the said Cashier or Cashiers and Accountant General of the said Governor and Company, shall be for the Use of the said Governor and Company, and at their Disposal only.

Three per Cent. Annuities created by this Act to be added to the Joint Stock of the Three per Cent. Consols.

XX. All the Annuities after the Rate of Three Pounds *per Centum per Annum* to which any Person or Persons shall become entitled by virtue of this Act, in respect of any Sum advanced or contributed towards the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, shall be added to the Joint Stock of Annuities transferable at the Bank of *England*, into which the several Sums carrying an Interest after the Rate of Three Pounds *per Centum per Annum* were by several

several Acts made in the Twenty-fifth, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirty-second, and Thirty-third Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, and by several subsequent Acts consolidated, and shall be deemed Part of the said Joint Stock of Annuities; 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 Annuities redeemable by virtue of the said Act; and all and every Person and Persons and Corporation whatsoever, in proportion to the Money to which he, she, or they shall become entitled as aforesaid by virtue of this Act, shall have and be deemed to have a proportional Interest and Share in the said Joint Stock of Annuities, at the Rates aforesaid.

Terminable Annuities created by this Act may be transferred to and from England and Ireland.

XXI. The Terminable Annuities granted under the Provisions of this Act shall and may be transferred to and from the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* to the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *Ireland*, and *vice versâ*, for the Purpose of having corresponding Sums in the like Annuities written into the Books of the said respective Banks, in like Manner and under the same Regulations as any other Annuities for Terms of Years or Capital Stock are permitted to be so transferred under and by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to permit the mutual Transfer of Capital in certain Public Stocks or Funds transferable at the Banks of* England *and* Ireland *respectively*, and an Act of the Sixth Year of the same Reign, intituled *An Act to provide for the Assimilation of the Currency and Monies of Account throughout the United Kingdom of* Great Britain *and* Ireland.

5 G. 4. c. 53.

6 G. 4. c. 79.

Sinking Fund.

XXII. For the Purpose of the Extinction of a Portion of the Funded Debt of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* equal to the Amount to be added to the said Joint Stock as aforesaid, there shall be issued and paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or out of the growing Produce thereof, to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, in the financial Year commencing on the First Day of *April* which shall first happen Twelve Months after the Ratification of a definite Treaty of Peace with *Russia*, and in every subsequent Year until such Portion of the said Funded Debt is extinguished by means of the Monies to be issued to the said Commissioners under this Enactment, the Sum of One million Pounds: Provided that in case, in the last Year in which such Sum would be payable, the Sum necessary for purchasing the remaining Portion of the said Portion of such Funded Debt be less than One million Pounds, then so much only of such Sum as may be necessary for that Purpose shall be issued and paid as aforesaid; and the Sums so to be issued and paid to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt shall be applied by them from Time to Time in the Purchase of such Funded Debt, in the Manner directed by the Acts for the Reduction of the National Debt, until by means of such Sums a Sum of Sixteen million Pounds of such Funded Debt has been extinguished and cancelled, and all such Funded Debt purchased by the said Commissioners under the Authority of this Act shall from Time to Time be forthwith cancelled and extinguished, and all Dividends in respect thereof shall cease to be payable; and for the Purposes of the Acts for the Reduction of the National Debts, the Sums to be issued and paid to the said Commissioners as aforesaid shall be deemed Part of the Expenditure of the United Kingdom.

Persons counterfeiting Receipts for Contributions, &c. guilty of Felony.

XXIII. If any Person or Persons shall forge or counterfeit, or cause or procure to be forged or counterfeited, or shall willingly act or assist in the forging or counterfeiting, any Receipt or Receipts for the whole or any Part or Parts of the said Contributions towards the said Sum of Sixteen Millions, either with or without the Name or Names of any Person or Persons being inserted therein, as the Contributor or Contributors thereto, or Payer or Payers thereof, or of any Part or Parts thereof, or shall alter any Number, Figure, or Word therein, or utter or publish as true any such false, forged, counterfeited, or altered Receipt or Receipts, with Intent to defraud the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, or any Body Politic or Corporate, or any Person or Persons whatsoever, every such Person or Persons so forging or counterfeiting, or causing or procuring to be forged or counterfeited, or willingly acting or assisting in the forging or counterfeiting, or altering, uttering, or publishing

publishing as aforesaid, being thereof convicted in due Form of Law, shall be adjudged guilty of Felony, and shall, at the Discretion of the Court, be liable to be transported beyond the Seas for Life or for any Term not less than Fourteen Years, or to be kept in Penal Servitude for Life or for any Term not less than Four Years, or to be imprisoned, with or without Hard Labour, for any Term not exceeding Four Years nor less than Two Years.

Bank to continue a Corporation till the Annuities hereby granted shall be redeemed, or shall cease.

XXIV. 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 the Consolidated Three Pounds *per Centum* Annuities by this Act granted shall be redeemed by Parliament as aforesaid, and the Terminable Annuities by this Act granted shall cease; and 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.

No Fee to be taken for receiving Contributions or paying or transferring Annuities, on Penalty of 20*l*.

XXV. No Fee, Reward, or Gratuity whatsoever shall be demanded or taken of any of Her Majesty's Subjects for receiving or paying the said Subscription or Contribution Monies or any of them, or for any Receipt concerning the same, or 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 Officer 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 in any of Her Majesty's Superior Courts of Law at *Westminster*.

Persons sued may plead the General Issue.

XXVI. If any Person or Persons shall be sued, molested, or prosecuted for anything 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 Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall discontinue his, her, or their Action or Prosecution, or be nonsuited, or Judgment shall be given against him, her, or them, upon Demurrer or otherwise, then such Defendant or Defendants shall have full Costs awarded to him, her, or them, against any such Plaintiff or Plaintiffs.

CAP. XIX.

An Act to remove Doubts as to the Commissions of Officers of Militia in *Ireland* who have omitted to deliver unto the Clerk of the Peace Descriptions of their Qualifications, and to indemnify them against the Consequences of such Omission, and to amend the Law relating to the Militia in *Ireland*.

[25th *May* 1855.]

49 G. 3. c. 120.

'WHEREAS by an Act of the Forty-ninth Year of King *George* the Third Chapter One hundred and twenty, it was enacted, that no Person should thereafter be appointed to any Commission in the Militia of *Ireland* who should require a Qualification in respect of Property by virtue of the said Act until he should have delivered unto the Clerk of the Peace of the County or City for which he should be appointed, or in the Absence of such Clerk of the Peace, to his Deputy, a specific Description in Writing signed by himself of his Qualification, stating the Particulars of such Qualification; and that no Commission to be granted by virtue of the said Act should be valid unless it was declared in such Commission that the Officer to whom such Commission was given had delivered in his Qualification as directed: And whereas Persons have in many Instances been appointed to and have acted under Commissions in the Militia in *Ireland* requiring Qualifications in respect of Property, without having previously delivered the Particulars of their Qualifications, as required by the said Act: And whereas Doubts have been raised as to the Validity of such Commissions, and of the Acts done by the Persons thereby appointed:' Be it enacted by the Queen'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, as follows:

I. Every