CAP. XXXI.

An Act to settle an Annuity on *Mary Louisa* Countess of *Elgin and Kincardine*, in consideration of the distinguished Services performed by the late *James* Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*. [30th *June* 1864.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

'WHEREAS Your Majesty, by Your most gracious Message, hath been pleased to signify that Your Majesty, taking into consideration the distinguished Services performed throughout a long Series of Years by the late *James* Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*, Your Majesty's Viceroy and Governor General of *India*, and being desirous, in Recognition of such Services, to confer some signal Mark of Your Favour upon his Widow, *Mary Louisa* Countess of *Elgin and Kincardine*, recommended to Your faithful Commons the Adoption of such Measures as might be necessary for the Accomplishment of that Purpose:' 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:

An Annuity of 1,000*l.* to be paid to Mary Louisa Countess of Elgin and Kincardine for her natural Life.

1. An Annuity of One thousand Pounds shall be paid to *Mary Louisa* Countess of *Elgin and Kincardine*, Widow of the late *James* Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*, for her natural Life; and the said Annuity shall be deemed to have commenced and taken effect upon the Twenty-first Day of *November* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and the First Payment of a proportionate Part thereof respectively for the Period from such Commencement thereof to the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four shall be due on the said Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four; and the said Annuity shall thereafter be due quarterly on the Fifth Day of *January*, the Fifth Day of *April*, the Fifth Day of *July*, and the Tenth Day of *October* in every Year; and such Annuity shall be payable out of and charged upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or the growing Produce thereof, (after paying or reserving sufficient to pay all such Sums of Money as have been directed to be paid out of the same by former Acts of Parliament, but with Preference to all other Payments which shall hereafter be charged upon and payable out of the said Fund,) and the Receipts of the said *Mary Louisa* Countess of *Elgin and Kincardine*, or of such other Person as may be duly authorized and appointed by the said *Mary Louisa* Countess of *Elgin and Kincardine* to receive the same, shall be good and sufficient Discharges for the Payment thereof; and the said Annuity shall be free and clear from all Taxes, Rates, and Assessments, and all other Charges whatsoever, except Income Tax.

Treasury to direct Payment of the Annuity.

2. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and they are hereby authorized and required, by Warrant or Warrants under their Hands, to direct the Payment of the said Annuity according to the Provision herein-before contained.

CAP. XXXII.

An Act to enable certain Banking Copartnerships which shall discontinue the Issue of their own Bank Notes to sue and be sued by their public Officer. [30th *June* 1864.]

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session holden in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, Chapter Forty-six, intituled *An Act for the better regulating Copartnerships of certain Bankers in* England, *and for amending so much of an Act of the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King* George *the Third, intituled "An Act for establishing an Agreement "with the Governor and Company of the Bank of* England *for advancing the Sum* 7 G. 4. c. 46.

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