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CAP. XX.

An Act to enable His Majesty to grant an annual Sum to Her Royal Highness *Victoria Maria Louisa* Duchess of *Kent*, for a more adequate Provision for Her said Royal Highness, and for the honourable Support and Education of Her Royal Highness the Princess *Alexandrina Victoria* of *Kent*. [6th *September* 1831.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WHEREAS Your Majesty by Your most gracious Message hath been pleased to signify that Your Majesty, taking into Consideration that since Parliament made Provision for the Maintenance of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of *Kent* and Her Royal Highness the Princess *Alexandrina Victoria* of *Kent*, Circumstances have arisen which make it proper that a more adequate Provision should be made for Her Royal Highness the Duchess of *Kent*, and for the honourable Support and Education of Her Royal Highness the Princess *Alexandrina Victoria* of *Kent*, recommended the Consideration thereof to Your faithful Commons, and relied on their Attachment to adopt such Measures as might be suitable to the Occasion: Therefore we, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, duly considering Your Majesty's gracious Intention, 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,

His Majesty, by Letters Patent, to grant an Annuity of 10,000*l.* to the Duchess of Kent, in manner herein mentioned.

assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty to give and grant, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, to Her said Royal Highness *Victoria Maria Louisa* Duchess of *Kent*, for a more adequate Provision for Her said Royal Highness, and for the honourable Support and Education of Her Royal Highness the Princess *Alexandrina Victoria* of *Kent*, a certain annual Payment or Annuity of Ten thousand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, Four thousand Pounds of which said annual Payment or Annuity shall be payable for and during the Life of Her said Royal Highness the Duchess of *Kent*, and Six thousand Pounds thereof for and during the Life of Her said Royal Highness the Princess *Alexandrina Victoria*; and the said annual Payment or Annuity shall be deemed and considered to have commenced and taken effect upon the Fifth Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, and the first Payment of a proportionate Part thereof shall be made on the Tenth Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, and shall thereafter be paid quarterly, at the Four most usual Days of Payment in the Year, (that is to say,) 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 the said annual Payment or Annuity shall and may be issuing and payable out of and charged and chargeable upon the Fund called "The Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*," (after paying or reserving sufficient to pay all such Sum and Sums of Money as hath or have been directed to be paid out of the same by any former Act or Acts of Parliament, but with Preference to all other Payments which shall or may hereafter be charged upon and payable out of the said Fund); and the said annual Payment or Annuity shall be paid and payable 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 to make forth and pass Debentures from Time to Time for paying the said annual Payment or Annuity 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 Her said Royal Highness the Duchess of *Kent*, or of such other Person or Persons as shall by Her said Royal Highness be duly authorized and appointed to receive such annual Payment or Annuity or any Part thereof, shall be a good and sufficient Discharge for the Payment thereof; and the said Debentures so to be made forth and passed 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 any such annual Payment or Annuity to Her said Royal Highness during the Continuance of the same, without any further or other Warrant to be sued for, had, or obtained in that Behalf; and the said annual Payment or Annuity so to be given and granted shall be free and clear from all Taxes, Rates, and Assessments, and all other Charges whatsoever.

Receipt of the Duchess of Kent, or such Person as She may appoint, to be a sufficient Discharge for the Payment of the said Annuity.

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