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An Act to apply the Sum of Five Millions, out of the Consolidated Fund, to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one. [11th *March* 1831.]

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, towards making good the necessary Supplies which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in this Session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your Majesty the Sum herein-after mentioned; and do therefore 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 there shall and may be issued and applied, for or towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, the Sum of Five Millions out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the Time being, are or is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

There shall be applied, for the Service of the Year 1831, 5,000,000*l.* out of the Consolidated Fund.

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The Treasury may cause 5,000,000*l.* of Exchequer Bills to be made out in Manner prescribed by 48 G. 3. c. 1.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury or any Three or more of them for the Time being, from Time to Time, by Warrant under their Hands, to cause or direct any Number of Exchequer Bills to be made out at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster* for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five Millions; and such Exchequer Bills shall be made out in the same or like Manner, Form, and Order, and according to the same or like Rules and Directions, as are directed and prescribed in and by an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for regulating the issuing and paying off of Exchequer Bills.*

The Clauses, &c. in recited Act extended to this Act.

III. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities contained in the said recited Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said several Clauses and Provisions had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

Interest on Exchequer Bills.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act shall and may bear an Interest not exceeding the Rate of Three-pence Halfpenny *per Centum per Diem* upon or in respect of the whole of the Monies respectively contained therein.

Bills to be placed as so much Cash in the Exchequer;

V. And be it further enacted, That the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, shall and they are hereby authorized and empowered to cause such Exchequer Bills as shall be made out in pursuance of this Act to be placed, as so much Cash, in the respective Offices of the Tellers of the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster*, each and every of which Tellers shall be severally charged with the Proportion of the said Bills which shall be so placed in his Office respectively as so much Cash; any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

and may be applied by the Treasury.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the said Exchequer Bills in the Hands of the said Tellers shall be locked up and secured as Cash, according to the Course of the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, and shall be taken and esteemed as so much in part of the Remains in Real Money wherewith each of the said Tellers shall from Time to Time stand charged, in common with other the Monies in the said Exchequer, any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding; and it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury to issue and apply the same from Time to Time to such Services as shall then have been voted by the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in this present Session of Parliament.

Exchequer Bills made chargeable upon the

VII. And be it further enacted, That the Principal Sum or Sums of Money to be contained in all such Exchequer Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, together with the Interest that may become

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due thereon, shall be and the same are hereby made chargeable and charged upon the growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in the next succeeding Quarter to that in which the said Exchequer Bills have been issued; and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, and they are hereby authorized, from Time to Time, by Warrant under their Hands, to direct the Auditor of the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, in such Manner as they shall think necessary, to issue unto such Person or Persons as shall be named in the said Warrant, out of the growing Produce of the said Consolidated Fund of the next succeeding Quarter to that in which the said Exchequer Bills have been issued, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole a Sum sufficient to discharge and pay off the Principal Sum or Sums of Money contained in such Exchequer Bills then outstanding, and which may have been made out and issued by virtue of this Act, together with all such Interest as may be due thereupon.

growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund.

VIII. And be it declared and further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, and they are hereby empowered, to take, accept, and receive the Exchequer Bills authorized to be made out in pursuance of this Act, and to advance or lend to His Majesty, at the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, upon the Credit of the Sum granted by this Act out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five Millions; any thing in an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of King *William* and Queen *Mary*, intituled *An Act for granting to Their Majesties several Rates and Duties upon Tonnage of Ships and Vessels, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors; and for securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the said Act mentioned to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds towards carrying on the War against* France, or in any other Act or Acts, to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Bank of England may advance 5,000,000*l.* on the Credit of this Act, notwithstanding 5 & 6 W. & M. c. 20.

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