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# GEORGI III. REGIS.

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## Cap. 37.

An Act for continuing several Acts for laying a Duty of Twopennies Scots, or One-sixth Part of a Penny Sterling, on every Pint of Ale, Beer, or Porter, that shall be vended or sold within the Town of *Dumfries* and Privileges thereof. [6th May 1811.]

**W**HEREAS an Act was passed in the Third Year of the Reign of King George the First, intituled, *An Act for laying a Duty of Twopennies Scots, or One-sixth Part of a Penny Sterling, upon every Pint of Ale or Beer that shall be vended or sold within the Town of Dumfries, and Privileges thereof, for paying the Debts of the said Town, and for building a Church, and making a Harbour there:* 3 G. 1. c. 6.  
And whereas another Act was passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, *An Act for continuing an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, King George the First, for laying a Duty of Twopennies Scots or One-sixth part of a Penny Sterling on every Pint of Ale or Beer that shall be vended or sold within the Town of Dumfries and Privileges thereof, for paying the Debts of the said Town, and for building a Church and making a Harbour there, and for laying a Duty on the Tonnage of Shipping, and a Duty on Goods imported and exported into and out of the Port of the said Town for the better repairing of the said Harbour:* 10 G. 2. c. 7.  
And whereas another Act was passed in the Second Year of the Reign of 2 G. 3. c. 55.  
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of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for continuing and rendering more effectual an Act passed in the Tenth Year of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, "An Act for continuing an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the First, for laying a Duty of Two-pennies Scots or One-sixth part of a Penny Sterling on every Pint of Ale or Beer that shall be vended or sold within the Town of Dumfries and Privileges thereof, for paying the Debts of the said Town, and for building a Church and making a Harbour there, and for laying a Duty on the Tonnage of Shipping, and a Duty on Goods imported and exported into and out of the Port of the said Town for the better repairing of the said Harbour :"* And whereas another Act was passed in the Twenty-seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for continuing and amending several Acts made in the Third Year of the Reign of King George the First, the Tenth Year of the Reign of King George the Second, and the Second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for laying a Duty of Two-pennies Scots or One-sixth Part of a Penny Sterling on every Pint of Ale or Beer that shall be vended or sold within the Town of Dumfries and Privileges thereof, for paying the Debts of the said Town, and for building a Church and making a Harbour there, and for laying a Duty on the Tonnage of Shipping and a Duty on Goods imported and exported into and out of the Port of the said Town, for the better repairing the said Harbour and for paving, cleansing, lighting and watching the Streets and other Public Places within the said Town, and widening the Streets where necessary, and removing and preventing Nuisances therein :* And whereas the Yearly Amount of the said Duty and Imposition upon Ale, Beer and Porter, though managed with the greatest Frugality, has been found inadequate to pay off the Debts for which it was granted and continued, and by sundry useful and necessary Improvements in the said Town, the Debts thereof are considerably increased, and which the ordinary Revenues of the Town are not sufficient to discharge : May it therefore please 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 from and after the End of the present Session of Parliament, the Rate, Duty, and Imposition granted and made payable by the said former Acts, upon all Ale and Beer, Porter, Strong Ale and Strong Beer, that shall either be brewed or brought in or vended, tapped, or sold within the Town of *Dumfries* and Liberties thereof, shall be further continued, raised, levied, collected, paid and made payable to the Provost, Magistrates and Common Council of the said Town of *Dumfries* for the Time being, and to their Successors in Office, and to their Collectors and Assigns, for the Use and Behoof of the said Town for the further Term herein after mentioned.

Two-pennies  
Scots on Ale,  
&c. conti-  
nued.

To be levied  
and applied  
as before.

II. And be it further enacted, That the said Rate, Duty, and Imposition hereby continued, shall be raised, levied, and collected from the same Persons, and by the same Means and Methods, and under the same Penalties and Forfeitures, as in the said former Acts contained ; and that the Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council, shall be and continue Trustees for the Receipt and Application thereof, with the same Powers, and subject to the same Rules and Directions as are mentioned and prescribed  
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in the said several Acts respectively; and the said Rate, Duty, and Imposition shall, after paying the Expences of the passing of this Act, be paid and applied to and for the same Uses and Purposes as are therein mentioned; and the said Acts, and every Article, Rule, Clause, Matter, and Thing therein contained, as far as the same are applicable, shall be of the same Force and Effect, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said former Acts, and every Article, Rule, Clause, Matter, and Thing therein contained, were particularly and at large repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this present Act.

III. Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That a Draw-Drawback  
back of the said Duty shall be allowed and paid by the Provost, Ma-<sup>allowed on</sup>  
gistrates, and Town Council of the said Town of *Dumfries*, and their <sup>Ale, &c. ex-</sup>  
Successors, Collectors, and Assigns, on all Ale and Beer, Porter, Strong <sup>ported out of</sup>  
Ale and Strong Beer, which shall be brewed within the said Town and <sup>the Town and</sup>  
Liberties thereof, and which shall be proved to the Satisfaction of the said <sup>Liberties.</sup>  
Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of the said Town, and their Col-  
lectors and Assigns, to have been exported and sold to Persons living  
without the said Town, and the Liberties thereof, and not liable to the  
said Duty.

IV. And be it enacted, That *William Johnstone Hope*, Sir *John Heron Max-* <sup>Overseers of</sup>  
*well* Baronet, of *Springkell*, Sir *Robert Lawrie*, of *Maxwellton*, Baronet, Sir <sup>the Duty on</sup>  
*Thomas Kirkpatrick*, of *Clofeburn*, Baronet, *Patrick Miller* of *Dalswinton*, <sup>Ale, &c.</sup>  
*John Murray* of *Murraythwaite*, *Charles Sharpe* of *Hoddour*, *Henry Veitch*  
of *Ellick*, *Charles Grenville Stuart Mentieth* of *Clofeburn*, *John Maitland*  
of *Eccles*, *William Irving* of *Gribton*, and *Robert Anderson* of *Stroquhan*,  
shall be and are hereby appointed Overseers of the said Rate, Duty and  
Imposition hereby continued and granted, in place and stead of the Over-  
seers appointed by the said recited Act of the Twenty-seventh Year of  
His present Majesty, and shall have and are hereby vested with the same  
Powers and under the same Regulations as are in and by the said before  
recited Acts granted and given to the said former Overseers.

V. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken <sup>Public Act.</sup>  
to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such by all  
Judges, Justices and others, without being specially pleaded.

VI. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall continue in force for <sup>Continuance.</sup>  
and during the Period of Twenty-one Years, and from thence to the End  
of the then next Session of Parliament.

