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## *Cap. xxxi.*

An Act for applying, in the Purchase and Redemption of Part of the Land Tax charged upon the District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes*, *Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*, in the County of *Middlesex*, certain Sums of Stock standing in the Name and to the Credit of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery. [14th *May* 1829.]

**W**HEREAS by an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax to be raised in Great Britain for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty-four*, it was (amongst other Things) enacted, that the Sum of One million nine hundred and eighty-nine thousand nine hundred Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Nine-pence should be raised, levied, and paid unto His Majesty within the Space of One Year from the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand seven hundred and sixty-four, and should be assessed and taxed, in the several Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and Places in *England*, *Wales*, and *Berwick-upon-Tweed*, according to the Proportions in manner therein set forth; among which it was particularly directed, that the Sum of Sixty-three thousand and

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ninety-two Pounds One Shilling and Five-pence should be the Proportion of the Money to be so raised, levied, and paid which should be assessed upon and paid by the City of *Westminster* and Liberties thereof, and Offices executed in *Westminster Hall*, and that the Sum of One hundred and seven thousand six hundred and two Pounds Eleven Shillings and Seven-pence should be the Proportion thereof which should be assessed upon and paid by the rest of the County of *Middlesex*, and that towards raising the said several Sums of Money all Persons should be rated and assessed in the Manner and Proportion therein set forth; and that all Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments whatsoever, situate within that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*, *Wales*, and *Berwick-upon-Tweed*, and all Persons or others having or holding the same, should be charged in respect thereof, with as much Equality and Indifference as was possible, by a Pound Rate, for or towards the said several and respective Sums thereby set and imposed for and upon all and every such Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, or other Places thereby charged therewith, so that by the said Rates so to be taxed or assessed as therein set forth the full and entire Sums by the said Act appointed to be raised should be completely and effectually taxed, assessed, levied, and collected, and be paid into the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, in the Manner and at the Time thereby provided: And whereas by divers other Acts of Parliament made and passed in each of the several Years succeeding the said Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty-four, down to and including the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, respectively intituled Acts for granting Aids to His Majesty by a Land Tax to be raised in *Great Britain* for the Service of the several Years in the Titles of such Acts respectively mentioned, it was enacted, that the said Sum of One million nine hundred and eighty-nine thousand nine hundred Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Nine-pence should, within the Space of One Year from the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* in each Year in such Acts respectively mentioned, be raised, levied, and paid unto His Majesty, and assessed and taxed in the several Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and Places in *England*, *Wales*, and *Berwick-upon-Tweed*, in the like Proportions and in like Manner as are in and by the said recited Act of the Fourth of King *George* the Third provided: And whereas by another Act, made and passed in the Thirty-eighth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for making perpetual, subject to Redemption and Purchase in the Manner therein stated, the several Sums of Money now charged in Great Britain as a Land Tax for One Year from the Twenty-fifth Day of March One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight*, it was amongst other Things enacted, that the several and respective Sums charged by virtue of an Act of the then present Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax to be raised in Great Britain for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight* (being one of the several Acts herein-before mentioned or referred to), on the respective Counties, Ridings, Stewart-ries, Cities, Boroughs, Cinque Ports, Towns, and Places in *Great Britain*, in respect to the Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments in the said Act mentioned, lying within the same

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Counties, Ridings, Stewartries, Cities, Boroughs, Cinque Ports, Towns, and Places respectively, to be raised, levied, and paid unto His Majesty within the Space of One Year from the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, should, from and after the Expiration of the said Term (except as therein-after mentioned), continue, and be raised, levied, and paid yearly to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, from and after the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* in every Year for ever, subject nevertheless to the Rules, Regulations, Restrictions, and Conditions of Redemption or Purchase therein mentioned: And whereas certain Persons were from Time to Time appointed to act as Commissioners for carrying into execution the said several before-mentioned Acts of Parliament in and for the said District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes, Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*: And whereas the said District or Division is situate partly within the City and Liberties of *Westminster* and partly within the rest of the County of *Middlesex*: And whereas in the said Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, and for many Years previous thereto, there was levied and raised, by the said Commissioners for the Time being acting in the Execution of the said Acts in and for the said District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes, Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*, a larger Sum of Money than was required to pay off and satisfy the Quotas or Proportions of the said several Sums of Sixty-three thousand and ninety-two Pounds One Shilling and Five-pence, and One hundred and seven thousand six hundred and two Pounds Eleven Shillings and Seven-pence, by the said recited Acts directed to be levied and raised within the City and Liberties of *Westminster* and Offices executed in *Westminster Hall*, and the rest of the County of *Middlesex*, which were from Time to Time, in pursuance of the said several Acts, charged or assessed upon the said District or Division: And whereas such Surplus, after the various Quotas and Assessments annually charged upon the said District or Division had been duly paid and satisfied, amounted in the said Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-four to the Sum of Four thousand six hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, or thereabouts: And whereas the said several Quotas and Assessments so charged upon the said District or Division were, from the Time of the passing the said Act of the Fourth of *George* the Third down to and including the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, and have ever since been, annually and regularly paid to the Receivers General of the Land Tax for the City of *Westminster* and County of *Middlesex* respectively: And whereas some Time in the said Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-four the Sum of One thousand six hundred Pounds, Part of the said Surplus of Four thousand six hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, was deposited in the Hands of Messieurs *Hodsoll* and *Stirling* of the *Strand* in the said County of *Middlesex*, Bankers; the like Sum of One thousand six hundred Pounds, further Part thereof, was deposited in the Hands of Messieurs *Snow* and Company of the *Strand* aforesaid, Bankers; and the Sum of One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, Residue of the said Surplus, was deposited in the Hands of Messieurs *Child* and Company of  
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*Temple Bar*, Bankers; and such several Sums were so deposited with the said several Bankers respectively, in the Names of *John Allen*, *Samuel Edwards*, *Thomas Simpkin*, and *William Devon*; who were then Four of the Commissioners of the Land Tax acting in and for the said District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes*, *Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*, for safe Custody, until some Plan should be determined on for applying the same, and the same remained in the Hands of the said Bankers respectively, to the Credit of the said Four Commissioners, until in or about the Year One thousand eight hundred and five: And whereas no Plan for the Distribution thereof having been determined on, the said Messieurs *Hodsoll* and *Stirling*, some Time in or about the Month of *August* in the said Year One thousand eight hundred and five, by the Order and Direction of the said Commissioners of the Land Tax acting in and for the said District or Division, laid out and invested the said Sum of One thousand six hundred Pounds, so deposited in their Hands as aforesaid, in the Purchase of Three Exchequer Bills, for One thousand Pounds, Five hundred Pounds, and One hundred Pounds; and at or about the same Time, and by the like Order and Direction, the said Messieurs *Snow* and Company, with and out of the said Sum of One thousand six hundred Pounds, so deposited in their Hands as aforesaid, purchased Three Exchequer Bills of Five hundred Pounds each; and the said Messieurs *Child* and Company, at or about the same Time, and by the like Order and Direction, with and out of the said Sum of One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, so deposited in their Hands, purchased several Exchequer Bills, amounting together to the Sum of One thousand four hundred Pounds; and such several Exchequer Bills when so purchased were lodged, and, together with the Residue of the said Sums of Money, remained with the said several Bankers respectively, in the Names of the said *John Allen*, *Samuel Edwards*, *Thomas Simpkin*, and *William Devon*, for safe Custody as aforesaid, and, as and when the same Exchequer Bills were from Time to Time respectively paid off, other Exchequer Bills of like Amount respectively were issued in lieu of the said Exchequer Bills so first purchased as aforesaid, and the Money accrued due for Interest thereon was from Time to Time placed to the Credit of the said *John Allen*, *Samuel Edwards*, *Thomas Simpkin*, and *William Devon*, in the Books of the said Bankers respectively: And whereas the said *John Allen*, *Samuel Edwards*, and *Thomas Simpkin* departed this Life many Years since, leaving the said *William Devon* them surviving: And whereas the said *William Devon*, being such Survivor as aforesaid, did, some Time in or about the Month of *March* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and eight, cause the said several Exchequer Bills, then lodged with the said Bankers respectively, to be sold, and the said several Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, so originally deposited with such Bankers as aforesaid, to be invested in the Purchase of Bank Three *per Centum* Consolidated Annuities, in his own Name; (that is to say,) the said Sum of One thousand six hundred Pounds, so deposited in the Bank of Messieurs *Hodsoll* and *Stirling*, in the Purchase of the Sum of Two thousand four hundred and eighty-five Pounds  
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Eight Shillings and Nine-pence Bank Three *per Centum* Consolidated Annuities; the said Sum of One thousand six hundred Pounds so deposited in the Bank of the said Messieurs *Snow* and Company, in the Purchase of the Sum of Two thousand four hundred and eighty Pounds Twelve Shillings and Five-pence like Annuities; and the said Sum of One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, so deposited in the Bank of the said Messieurs *Child* and Company, in the Purchase of the Sum of Two thousand three hundred and twenty-seven Pounds and Nine-pence like Annuities; and the said *William Devon* at the same Time drew out, and appropriated to his own Use, the several Sums of Two hundred and twenty-one Pounds Nine Shillings and Five-pence, which had accrued due for Interest on the Exchequer Bills so lodged with and from Time to Time renewed by the said Messrs. *Hodsoll* and *Stirling*; Two hundred and six Pounds Nine Shillings and Three-pence, which had accrued due for Interest on the Exchequer Bills so lodged with and from Time to Time renewed by the said Messrs. *Snow* and Co.; and One hundred and ninety-two Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Nine-pence, which had accrued due for Interest on the Exchequer Bills so lodged with and from Time to Time renewed by the said Messrs. *Child* and Co.: And whereas, in or as of *Michaelmas* Term in the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, a Bill was filed in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery against the said *William Devon*, at the Suit of *John Ponten*, since deceased, and *William Marchant*, Two of the Inhabitants of the said District or Division, on behalf of themselves and all other Persons who had contributed to the raising the several Sums of Money in the Bill mentioned, being the said several Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, so as aforesaid deposited in the Hands of the said Bankers respectively in the Names of the said *John Allen*, *Samuel Edwards*, *Thomas Simplin*, and *William Devon*, to which Bill His Majesty's Attorney General was afterwards, by the Direction of the said Court, made a Party, praying that an Account might be taken of all and every Sum and Sums of Money received by the said Defendant *William Devon*, or by any Person for his Use, on account of the said several Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, so deposited in the Names of the said *John Allen*, *Samuel Edwards*, *Thomas Simplin*, and of him the said *William Devon*, and invested in the Purchase of Exchequer Bills as aforesaid; and that the Plaintiffs, and such other Persons as might appear to have contributed to the said Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, might be declared entitled to what should on taking the said Accounts be found due from the said Defendant *William Devon*; and that all necessary Inquiries might be directed by the said Court, for the Purpose of ascertaining the several Persons who might be entitled thereto; or that the said several Sums, and all the Dividends and Interest received thereon, and all Accumulations thereof, might be applied for the Benefit of the said District or Division as the Court should direct: And whereas in pur-

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suance of an Order made in the said Cause by the Lord High Chancellor, bearing Date the Sixth Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, the said *William Devon* transferred and paid into the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the said Court of Chancery, in Trust and to the Credit of the said Cause, to the several separate Accounts therein mentioned, the several Sums of Stock and Cash following; (that is to say,) the Sum of Two thousand four hundred and eighty-five Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine-pence Bank Three *per Cent.* Annuities, purchased with the said Sum of One thousand six hundred Pounds so paid into the Hands of Messrs. *Hodsoll* and *Stirling*, and the Sums of Two hundred and twenty-one Pounds Nine Shillings and Five-pence Cash, accrued for Interest on the Exchequer Bills deposited with the said last-named Bankers, and Two hundred and sixty-eight Pounds Eight Shillings, accrued for Dividends on the said Sum of Two thousand four hundred and Eighty-five Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine-pence Bank Three *per Cent.* Annuities, subsequent to the Purchase thereof, making together the Sum of Four hundred and eighty-nine Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Five-pence Cash, to an Account entitled, in the said Cause, "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs. *Hodsoll* and *Stirling*;" the Sum of Two thousand four hundred and eighty Pounds Twelve Shillings and Five-pence Bank Three *per Cent.* Annuities, purchased with the said Sum of One thousand six hundred Pounds so paid into the Bank of Messrs. *Snow* and Co., and the Sums of Two hundred and six Pounds Nine Shillings and Three-pence Cash, accrued for Interest on the Exchequer Bills deposited with the said last-named Bankers, and Two hundred and sixty-seven Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight-pence Cash, accrued for Dividends on the said Sum of Two thousand four hundred and eighty Pounds Twelve Shillings and Five-pence Bank Three *per Cent.* Annuities, subsequent to the said Purchase thereof, making together the Sum of Four hundred and seventy-four Pounds Seven Shillings and Eleven-pence Cash, to an Account entitled, in the said Cause, "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs. *Snow* and Co.;" and the Sum of Two thousand three hundred and twenty-seven Pounds and Nine-pence Bank Three *per Cent.* Annuities, purchased with the said Sum of One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds so paid into the Hands of the said Messrs. *Child* and Co., and the Sums of One hundred and ninety-two Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Nine-pence Cash, accrued for Interest on Exchequer Bills deposited with the said last-named Bankers, and Two hundred and fifty-one Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Cash, accrued for Dividends on the said Sum of Two thousand three hundred and twenty-seven Pounds and Nine-pence Bank Three *per Cent.* Annuities, subsequent to the Purchase thereof, making together the Sum of Four hundred and forty-four Pounds One Shilling and Five-pence Cash, to an Account entitled, in the said Cause, "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs. *Child* and Co.;" And whereas by a Decree made on the Hearing of the said Cause, bearing Date the Seventh Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and by a further Decretal Order, bearing Date the Eleventh Day of *November* One thousand eight hundred and fifteen, and also by a

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General Order of Transfer, bearing Date the Thirtieth Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, it was ordered that it should be referred to *Robert Steele* Esquire, one of the Masters of the said Court, and upon the Death of the said *Robert Steele*, which took place some Time in the said Year One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, to *William Courtenay* Esquire, who had succeeded the said *Robert Steele* Esquire as such Master, to take an Account of all Sums of Money received by the said *William Devon*, or by any other Person or Persons by his Order or for his Use, in respect of the said several Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds; and that the said Master should also take an Account of all Sums of Money which had been produced by Sale of the said Exchequer Bills received by the said *William Devon*; and that the said Master should enquire and state to the Court whether there were any and what Arrears of Land Tax for the Parishes or District or Division of *Saint Clement Danes* and *Saint Mary-le-Strand* in the County of *Middlesex*, then left unpaid to the King, which were due at the Time of the said Investment of the said Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds; and that the said Master should also enquire and state to the Court whether the Persons who contributed to the raising of the said several Sums, or any and which of them, or the personal Representatives of such of them as might be dead, were entitled to the said Sums, or to any and what Part or Parts thereof, and who were the Persons that so contributed to the raising the said several Sums; and that for those Purposes the said Master should be at liberty to publish Advertisements in the *London Gazette*, and such other public Papers as he should think fit: And whereas the said *William Courtenay* Esquire, by his Report in the said Cause, bearing Date the Second Day of *June* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and which was afterwards by an Order of the said Court absolutely confirmed, certified to the said Court that there had been received by the said *William Devon*, in respect of Interest of the said Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, several Sums of Money amounting in the whole to One thousand four hundred and eight Pounds Six Shillings and Nine-pence, and that the said *William Devon* had paid such Sum of One thousand four hundred and eight Pounds Six Shillings and Nine-pence into the Bank, in the Name of the Accountant General of the said Court, to the Credit of the said Cause; and the said Master further certified, that nothing then remained due from the said *William Devon*, in respect of the said several Exchequer Bills, or of the Monies produced by the Sale thereof, and also that there were not any Arrears of Land Tax for the Parish or District or Division of *Saint Clement Danes* and *Saint Mary-le-Strand* in the County of *Middlesex*, then left unpaid to the King, which were due at the Time of the said Investment of the said Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds; and the said Master was of opinion that the Persons who contributed to the raising the said several Sums, or the personal Representatives of such of them as were dead, would be entitled to a

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Division of the said Sums; and the said Master found that, pursuant to the said Decree and Decretal Order, Two several Advertisements had been published in the *London Gazette*, and in several daily public Papers, the last of which Advertisements was peremptory, whereby, after reciting the said Decree and Order, all Persons claiming to be entitled to any Part or Parts of the said several Sums of One thousand six hundred Pounds, One thousand six hundred Pounds, and One thousand four hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, were desired to come in and prove their Claims by a Time in the said Advertisements limited and then long since expired, but that no Person had appeared to claim any Share of the said Sums, or who contributed to the raising of them, and that he had not been able to ascertain the Individuals who did so contribute or who might then be entitled to any Share of the said Sums, and from the great Length of Time during which and the Circumstances under which the Accumulations of those Sums appeared to have taken place the said Master conceived it would be then impossible to ascertain who such Individuals were: And whereas the said *William Devon* departed this Life in the Year One thousand eight hundred and nineteen, whereupon the said Suit was revived against his Executors, and by an Order of the said Court, made on the Seventh Day of *August* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, it was directed, that after the Payment of the Costs therein mentioned the Residue of the said Sums of Money should be invested in the Three Pounds *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities; and inasmuch as it appeared that the Persons, save and except the Plaintiffs in the said Cause, who contributed to the raising the Money in question, could not be found, it was ordered that the Plaintiffs should be at liberty to apply to Parliament as to the Application of such Stock and Dividends as they should be advised; in pursuance of which Order the said Costs have been taxed and paid in the Manner thereby directed: And whereas there are now standing in the Name of the said Accountant General, in Trust and to the Credit of the said Cause, the several Sums following; (that is to say,) "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs. *Hodsoll and Stirling*," in Three Pounds *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, Five thousand two hundred and thirty-eight Pounds Ten Shillings and Four-pence; "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs. *Snow and Co.*," in Three Pounds *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, Five thousand six hundred and eighty-three Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eleven-pence; and "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs. *Child and Co.*," in Three Pounds *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, Five thousand two hundred and thirty Pounds Twelve Shillings and Eight-pence; and which several Sums of Five thousand two hundred and thirty-eight Pounds Ten Shillings and Four-pence, Five thousand six hundred and eighty-three Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eleven-pence, and Five thousand two hundred and thirty Pounds Twelve Shillings and Eight-pence, Three Pounds *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, amount in the whole to the Sum of Sixteen thousand one hundred and fifty-three Pounds One Shilling and Eleven-pence like Annuities: And whereas the Quota or Proportion of the Land Tax charged and assessed upon the said District or Division in respect of that Part thereof called the *Westminster* Liberty, towards the raising of

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of the said Sum of Sixty-three thousand and ninety-two Pound One Shilling and Five-pence, is the Sum of Three thousand two hundred and five Pounds Three Shillings and Sixpence, and the Quota or Proportion of the Land Tax charged and assessed upon the same District or Division in respect of that Part thereof called the Duchy Liberty, towards the raising of the said Sum of One hundred and seven thousand six hundred and two Pounds Eleven Shillings and Seven-pence, is the Sum of Two thousand seven hundred and twenty-five Pounds Three Shillings and Nine-pence: And whereas by an Act made and passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to provide for the Application of Monies arising in certain Cases of Assessment for the Land Tax in Great Britain*, after reciting that the Commissioners acting in the Execution of the Acts relating to the Land Tax had in certain Districts been unable to apportion and raise the Quota payable by each Parish or Place for the Land Tax, without exceeding the Amount of such Quota in the Aggregate of the Assessments made and delivered to the several Collectors thereof, whereby an Excess beyond the Quota had arisen in the Collection, it was enacted, among other Things, that in every Case where the Assessment relating to the Land Tax for and upon any District or Division in *Great Britain* should exceed by Five Pounds the Quota payable to His Majesty for such Place, the Commissioners should make such a Certificate relating thereto as is therein mentioned; and that it should be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, on the Receipt of such Certificate, to direct the Amount of such Excess of Assessment to be applied in part Payment and Discharge of any Assessment of the Land Tax in the Place within which any such Excess shall have been raised for any subsequent Year, in such Manner as shall be authorized by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the Time being in that Behalf: And whereas the Provisions of the said last-mentioned Act do not extend to the Application of the several Sums of Stock so standing in the Name of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, as before mentioned, and it is expedient that the said Stock, instead of the same being carried and appropriated in Reduction of the annual Assessments for any subsequent and particular Year or Years, in the Manner by the said last-recited Act provided in respect of Surplus Land Tax therein mentioned, should be immediately applied in the Redemption and Exoneration from all future Assessment of such Portion of the Land Tax now charged and assessed upon and in respect of all Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments in and throughout the said District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes*, *Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*, as the same will extend to purchase and redeem, according to the Terms of the several Acts which have been made for the Purchase and Redemption of the Land Tax, in proportion to the said several Quotas so charged on the same District or Division: 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 it shall and may be lawful for the High Court of Chancery, and the same

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Court is hereby authorized and empowered, upon the Application of Two or more of the Commissioners of the Land Tax for the Time being acting in and for the said District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes*, *Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*, by Petition in a summary Way, to order and direct the Accountant General of the said Court to carry over the said several Sums of Five thousand two hundred and thirty-eight Pounds Ten Shillings and Four-pence Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, standing in his Name, in Trust in and to the Credit of the Cause *Ponten v. Devon*; "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs: *Hodsoll and Stirling*;" Five thousand six hundred and eighty-three Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eleven-pence Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, standing in his Name, in Trust in and to the Credit of the said Cause, "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs. *Snow and Co.*;" and Five thousand two hundred and thirty Pounds Twelve Shillings and Eight-pence Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, standing in his Name, in Trust and to the Credit of the said Cause, "The Account of Money paid into the Banking House of Messrs. *Child and Co.*;" together with any Cash which may accrue for Dividends on the said Bank Annuities previous to the carrying over the same to an Account to be entitled, under this Act, "In the Matter of the Surplus Land Tax within the District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes*, *Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*."

Court of Chancery, upon a like Application, to direct the Taxation and Payment of the Costs of obtaining this Act, and carrying same into execution.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Court of Chancery, and the said Court is hereby also authorized and empowered, upon a like Application, to order and direct the Master of the said Court for the Time being to whom the said Cause of *Ponten v. Devon* stands transferred, to tax the Costs of all Parties of the said Cause, if any there be, subsequent to the Costs already taxed, and also all Costs, Charges, and Expences incident to and reasonably incurred or to be incurred preparatory to and in the Application for and passing this Act, as well on the Part of His Majesty's Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes as of all other Parties, and in carrying the same into execution; and also of the several Applications to and other Proceedings in the said Court of Chancery herein directed in pursuance of this Act, and to order and direct the Sale of so much of such Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities which will be standing in the Name of the said Accountant General, in Trust on the Credit of the said Account, as with any Cash which shall be in his Name on the Credit of the said Account will be sufficient to pay such Costs, Charges, and Expences, when taxed, and to order and direct the Payment of such Costs, Charges, and Expences thereout.

Court to direct the Accountant General to lay out remaining Cash.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Court of Chancery, and the said Court is hereby authorized and empowered, upon a like Application, to order and direct the said Accountant General to lay out and invest what (if any) shall remain of the said Cash in his Name on the Credit of the said Account,

after the said Costs, Charges, and Expences of the Application for and passing this Act, and carrying the same into execution, when so taxed as aforesaid, shall have been fully paid and satisfied, in the Purchase of Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, in Trust in and to the Credit of the same Account.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the said Accountant General of the said Court of Chancery is hereby authorized and empowered, upon an Order to be made by the same Court for that Purpose; (which Order the said Court of Chancery, upon the like Application by Petition in a summary Way by Two or more of the Commissioners of the Land Tax for the Time being acting in and for the said District or Division, is hereby authorized and empowered to make,) to transfer into the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt all such Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities as shall be standing in his Name, in Trust in and to the Credit of the said Account, "In the Matter of the " Surplus Land Tax within the District or Division of the Duchy " Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes, Saint " Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*;" and that upon such Transfer being made the said Accountant General shall certify the same in the usual Manner, and such Certificate shall thereupon be filed in the Report Office of the Court of Chancery, and an Office Copy thereof shall be deemed and taken to be sufficient Evidence of such Transfer having been made.

Accountant General, by Order of the Court, to transfer the Stock to Commissioners for Reduction of the National Debt.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Interest and Dividends from Time to Time to arise and accrue due on the said Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities shall, from and after such Transfer thereof to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, cease to be issued at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, or to be charged on the Consolidated Fund of *Great Britain*, according to the Provisions of an Act made and passed in the Fifty-third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George the Third*, intituled *An Act to amend and render more effectual several Acts passed for the Redemption and Sale of the Land Tax*, with respect to Stock transferred to or purchased by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, in pursuance of Contracts entered into in the Forms contained in the Schedules marked A. and B. of that Act.

Interest and Dividends of Stock so transferred to cease to be payable.

VI. And be it further enacted, That when and so soon as conveniently may be after the Transfer of the said Bank Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Annuities shall have been made by the said Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, into the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, it shall and may be lawful to and for such Commissioners, and they or any One or more of them are and is hereby authorized and required, to accept and receive a Transfer of such Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, and to grant to the Commissioners of the Land Tax acting in and for the said District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty, of *Saint Clement Danes, Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*, or to their Clerk, a Cer-

Commissioners for Reduction of the National Debt to give Certificate of Transfer.

a Certificate under their or his Hands or Hand of the Amount of Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities which shall have been so transferred as aforesaid, and to transmit a Duplicate of such Certificate to the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes.

Six Eleventh Parts of Stock to be applicable to Redemption of the Land Tax charged on the Westminster Liberty.

VII. And in order that the Amount of the Land Tax charged or assessed on the said District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes, Saint Mary-le-Strand*; and the Precinct of the *Savoy*, to be redeemed as herein-after mentioned, may be apportioned with as much Equality as conveniently may be, between that Part of the said District or Division called the *Westminster* Liberty which lies within the City of *Westminster* or the Liberties thereof, and that Part thereof called the Duchy Liberty which lies within the rest of the County of *Middlesex*, in proportion to the Amount of the Quotas of the said Land Tax charged or assessed on such Parts of the said District or Division respectively; be it further enacted, That Six equal Parts or Shares, the Whole into Eleven equal Parts or Shares (or as near thereto as may be) to be divided, of and in the Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities to be transferred to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt in pursuance of this Act, shall, when so transferred, be applied in the Redemption, so far as the same will extend, of the said Sum of Three thousand two hundred and five Pounds Three Shillings and Sixpence, being the Quota of the Land Tax charged and assessed on that Part of the said District or Division called the *Westminster* Liberty which lies within the City and Liberties of *Westminster*; and that the remaining Five equal Parts or Shares of and in the Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities to be so transferred, shall, when so transferred, be applied in the Redemption, so far as the same will extend, of the Sum of Two thousand seven hundred and twenty-five Pounds Three Shillings and Nine-pence, being the Quota of the Land Tax charged and assessed on that Part of the said District or Division called the Duchy Liberty which lies within the rest of the County of *Middlesex*.

Remaining Five Eleventh Parts applicable to Redemption of Land Tax charged on the Duchy Liberty.

Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes to give Certificates of Amount of Land Tax which such Stock will extend to redeem.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That His Majesty's Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, or any Three or more of them, shall, as soon as conveniently may be after the Production to them of the Certificate of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt of the Amount of Three *per Cent.* Bank Annuities so transferred into their Names as herein-before directed, ascertain and certify, under their Hands and Seals, how much of the said Sum or Quota of Three thousand two hundred and five Pounds Three Shillings and Sixpence, charged or assessed upon that Part of the said District or Division called the *Westminster* Liberty which lies within the City and Liberties of *Westminster*, Six equal Parts of such Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities (the Whole into Eleven equal Parts to be divided as aforesaid) will redeem, according to the Provisions of the several Acts made and now in force relating to the Sale and Redemption of the Land Tax; and that the said Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, or any Three or more of them, shall in like Manner ascertain and certify how much of the said Sum or Quota of Two thousand seven hundred and twenty-five Pounds Three Shillings

lings and Nine-pence, charged or assessed upon that Part of the said District or Division called the Duchy Liberty which lies within the rest of the County of *Middlesex*, the remaining Five equal Parts of such Three *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities will redeem, according to the Provisions of the aforesaid Acts; and that such several Certificates shall be made in the Form contained in the Schedules to this Act marked A. and B., Duplicates whereof shall be transmitted by the said Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes to the Commissioners of the Land Tax for the Time being acting in and for the said District or Division, or to their Clerk; and a Copy of the Certificate relating to the Sum or Quota of Three thousand two hundred and five Pounds Three Shillings and Sixpence, charged or assessed on that Part of the said District or Division called the *Westminster* Liberty which lies within the City and Liberties of *Westminster*, shall be transmitted to the Receiver General of the Land Tax for the City of *Westminster*; and a Copy of the Certificate relating to the Sum or Quota of Two thousand seven hundred and twenty-five Pounds Three Shillings and Nine-pence, charged or assessed on that Part of the said District or Division called the Duchy Liberty which lies within the rest of the County of *Middlesex*, shall in like Manner be transmitted to the Receiver General of the Land Tax for the County of *Middlesex*.

IX. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Date of the Certificates of the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes hereinbefore directed to be made and sent, that Part of the said District or Division called the *Westminster* Liberty which lies within the City and Liberties of *Westminster* shall be fully and absolutely exonerated and discharged of and from the Payment to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, of so much of the said Sum or Quota of Three thousand two hundred and five Pounds Three Shillings and Sixpence, charged or assessed thereon as aforesaid, as in the Certificate of the said Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes relating to such Sum or Quota shall be specified; and that Part of the said District or Division called the Duchy Liberty which lies within the rest of the County of *Middlesex* shall be fully and absolutely exonerated and discharged of and from the Payment to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, of so much of the said Sum of Two thousand seven hundred and twenty-five Pounds Three Shillings and Nine-pence, charged or assessed thereon as aforesaid, as in the Certificate of the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes relating to such last-mentioned Sum or Quota shall be specified; and that such Certificates shall thereupon be deemed and taken to be sufficient Discharges for so much of the said Sums or Quotas of Three thousand two hundred and five Pounds Three Shillings and Sixpence and Two thousand seven hundred and twenty-five Pounds Three Shillings and Nine-pence respectively, as in such several Certificates shall be respectively in that Behalf expressed.

After the Date of such Certificates, District to be exonerated from so much of Land Tax as shall be therein expressed.

X. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the whole of the Land Tax now charged on the said District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the *Westminster* Liberty of *Saint Clement Danes*, *Saint Mary-le-Strand*, and the Precinct of the *Savoy*, shall (notwithstanding

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standing the Discharge of any Part thereof to be made in pursuance of this Act) continue to be inserted in the Assessments to be allowed by the Commissioners of the Land Tax acting in and for the said District or Division, in the same Manner and during such Time as the said District or Division is or shall by the Laws relating to the Land Tax continue liable to the Payment of such Tax, and in all Duplicates thereof, in the same Manner as all other Sums of Land Tax redeemed and exonerated have since the Redemption and Exoneration of the same continued to be inserted in the annual Assessments and Duplicates relating to the Land Tax.

Public Act.

XI. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall judicially be taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others, without being specially pleaded.

## SCHEDULE A.

*As to the Westminster Liberty.*

**K**NOW all Men, That we, whose Names are hereunder subscribed and Seals affixed, being Three of His Majesty's Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, do, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament made and passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for applying, in the Purchase and Redemption of Part of the Land Tax charged upon the District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the Westminster Liberty of Saint Clement Danes, Saint Mary-le-Strand, and the Precinct of the Savoy, in the County of Middlesex, certain Sums of Stock standing in the Name and to the Credit of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery*, hereby certify, that the Sum of Three Pounds per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, being Six equal Parts (the Whole into Eleven equal Parts having been divided) of the Sum of like Annuities, which in pursuance of the said Act has been transferred into the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, will, according to the Provisions of the several Acts now in force relating to the Redemption and Sale of the Land Tax, redeem the Sum of Pounds, Part of the annual Sum of Three thousand two hundred and five Pounds Three Shillings and Sixpence, the Quota or Proportion of the Land Tax payable to His Majesty charged or assessed upon the *Westminster* Liberty of the said District or Division which lies within the City and Liberties of *Westminster*; and the said *Westminster* Liberty is, from and after the Date of this Certificate, fully and absolutely exonerated and discharged of and from the Payment to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, of the said annual Sum of Pounds, Part of the said annual Sum of Three thousand two hundred and five Pounds Three Shillings and Sixpence, the Quota or Proportion of the Land Tax so charged or assessed thereon. In witness whereof we have hereunto, and to a Duplicate hereof, set our Hands and Seals, this Day of in the Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, and in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and

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## SCHEDULE B.

*As to the Duchy Liberty.*

KNOW all Men, That we, whose Names are hereunder subscribed and Seals affixed, being Three of His Majesty's Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, do, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament made and passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for applying, in the Purchase and Redemption of Part of the Land Tax charged upon the District or Division of the Duchy Liberty and the Westminster Liberty of Saint Clement Danes, Saint Mary-le-Strand, and the Precinct of the Savoy, in the County of Middlesex, certain Sums of Stock standing in the Name and to the Credit of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery*, hereby certify, that the Sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Pounds Three Pounds *per Cent.* Consolidated Bank Annuities, being Five equal Parts (the Whole into Eleven equal Parts having been divided) of the Sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Pounds, like Annuities, which in pursuance of the said Act has been transferred into the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, will, according to the Provisions of the several Acts now in force relating to the Redemption and Sale of the Land Tax, redeem the Sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Pounds, Part of the annual Sum of Two thousand seven hundred and twenty-five Pounds Three Shillings and Nine-pence, the Quota or Proportion of the Land Tax payable to His Majesty charged or assessed upon the Duchy Liberty of the said District or Division which lies within the County of *Middlesex*; and the said Duchy Liberty is, from and after the Date of this Certificate, fully and absolutely exonerated and discharged of and from the Payment to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, of the said annual Sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Pounds, Part of the said annual Sum of Two thousand seven hundred and twenty-five Pounds Three Shillings and Nine-pence, the Quota or Proportion of the Land Tax so charged or assessed thereon. In witness whereof we have hereunto, and to a Duplicate hereof, set our Hands and Seals, this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, and in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_

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