

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO SEXTO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. xx.

An Act for the Incorporation of The Highland Society of London; for the better Management of the Funds of the Society; and for rendering its Exertions more extensive and beneficial to the Public.

[21st May 1816.]

HEREAS in the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight many Noblemen and Gentlemen connected with the Highlands and Islands of Scotland, with the View of establishing and supporting Schools in the Highlands, and in the Northern Parts of Great Britain; for relieving distressed Highlanders at a Distance from their Native Homes; for preserving the Antiquities and rescuing from Oblivion the valuable Remains of Celtic Literature; and for promoting the Improvement and general Welfare of the Northern Parts of Great Britain, formed themselves into a Society, called The Highland Society of London: And whereas the said Society has raised a considerable Sum of Money by Subscription, and has applied the same agreeably to the Plan of their Institution, and by such Subscription have acquired sufficient Funds to carry into Effect the Purposes aforesaid: And whereas those Purposes cannot be fully effected, nor the Funds be properly secured and applied, without the Authority of Parliament: May it therefore Loca!

Corporation instituted for the Purposes of this Act.

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 His Royal Highness Frederick Duke of York and Albany, His Royal Highness Edward Duke of Kent and Strathearn, His Royal Highness Augustus Frederick Duke of Suffex, and Earl of Inverness, Archibald Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, Charles William Duke of Buccleugh and Queensberry, Alexander Duke of Gordon, George William Duke of Argyll, John Duke of Atholl, James Duke of Montrose, George Marquis of Tweedale, George Marquis of Stafford, John Marquis of Bute, Alexander Lord Dutton, commonly called Marquis of Douglas and Clydesdale; George Lord Gordon, commonly called Marquis of Huntley; Hugh Earl of Eglintoun, Archibald Earl of Cassillis, Francis Earl of Moray, John Earl of Strathmore, Thomas Earl of Kellie, Thomas Earl of Kinnoull, George Earl of Dalhousie, Thomas Earl of Selkirk, William Earl of Northesk, Alexander Earl of Balcarras, George Earl of Aboyne, John Earl of Breadalbane, George Earl of Aberdeen, George Earl of Dunmore, George Earl of Glasgow, Charles Earl of Harrington, William Earl of Mansfield, James Earl of Fife, Francis Earl of Moira, James Earl of Rosslyn, William Earl Catheart; the Right Honourable Archibald Hamilton, commonly called Lord Archibald Hamilton; the Right Honourable John Douglas Edward Henry Campbell, commonly called Lord John Douglas Edward Henry Campbell; the Right Honourable. Frederick Campbell, commonly called Lord Frederick Campbell; the Right Honourable James Murray, commonly called Lord James Murray; the Right Honourable George William Coventry, commonly called Viscount Deerhurst; the Right Honourable Thomas Cochrane, commonly called Lord Cochrane; the Right Hononrable John Campbell, commonly called Viscount Glenorchy; James Ochonear Lord Forbes, Alexander George Lord Saltoun, Robert Walter Lord Blantyre, Eric Lord Reay, Alexander Lord Elibank, Charles Lord Kinnaird, Thomas Lord Dundas, John Lord Carudor, Alexander Lord Macdonald, the Honourable William Maule of Panmure; the Honourable Alexander Duff, the Honourable Peter Robert, Drummond Burrell, the Right Honourable Sir William Grant Knight, Master of the Rolls; the Right Honourable Sir John Sinclair of Ulbster, Baronet; the Right Honourable Sir Archibald Macdonald of East Sheen, Baronet; the Right Honourable Sir Charles Stuart, Knight; the Right Honourable Sir William Drummond of Logiealmond, Knight; the Right Honourable William Dundas, the Right Honourable William Adam; William Macleod Bannatyne Esquire, one of the Senators of the College of Justice; the Honourable Hugh Arbuthnot; the Honourable Warwick Lake; the Honourable William Fraser; Major General the Honourable Godfrey Bosville; the Honourable Archibald Macdonald; the Honourable Dudley Macdonald; Lieutenant General the Honourable Sir John Abercrombie, Knight; Sir James Cockburn of Langton, Baronet; Sir Hugh Munro of Foulis, Baronet; Sir John Gordon Singlair of Stewenston and Murkle, Baronet; Sir Neil Menzies of that Ilk, Baronet; Sir William Cunningham: of Caprington, Baronet; Sir Alexander Grant of Dalvey, Baronet; Sir John Sinclair of Dunbeath, Baronet; Sir Jumes Myles Ryddell of Ardnamurchan and Sunart, Baronet; Sir John Maepherson of Reny, Baronet; Sir John Murray Mac Gregor of Lanrick, Baronet; Sir Walter Farquhar

of Gilmerscroft, Baronet; Sir Alexander Macdonald Lockhart of Lee and Carnwath, Baronet; Sir William Fraser of Leadclune, Baronet; Sir Æneas Mackintosh of that Ilk, Baronet; Lieutenant General Sir Thomas Histop of Tothill, Baronet; Sir Ewen Cameron of Fassfern, Baronet; General Sir George Beckwith, Knight; Major General Sir Alan Cameron of Erracht, Knight; Major General Sir William Inglis, Knight; Major General Sir Denis Pack, Knight; Major General Sir Colquboun Grant, Knight; Colonel Sir John Maclean, Knight; Colonel Sir Neil Campbell of Duntroon, Knight; Colonel Sir Colin Campbell, Knight; Sir Alexander Mackenzie of Avoch, Knight; Sir William Paxton, Knight; the Honourable Sir Thomas Strange of Madras, Knight; Lieutenant Colonel Sir George Elder, Knight; Sir John Downie, Knight; Andrew Adair Younger of Balbail, Esquire; Major Agnew, Madras Army; Grant Allan of Gower Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Grant Allan the Younger of Gower Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Lieutenant Colonel William Charles Alston; William Anderson of Russell Square, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; George Arbuthnot of Madras; Esquire; Nathaniel Atcheson of Chapel Place, Duke Street, Westminster, Esquire; General James Batfour; James Balfour of Blunain, Esquire; Captain Balmain, Madras Army; Eneas Barkly of Lime Street Square, in the City of London, Esquire; Thomas Bell, Esquire, one of the Sheriffs of the City of London; John Hepburn Belsches of Invermay, Esquire; John Binny of Madras, Esquire; John Binny of Madras, Esquire, Junior; Phineas Bond of Baker Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; William Douglas Brodie of Madras, Esquire; Alexander Brodie of Arnhall, Esquire; Isaac Hawkins Browne of South Audley Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Lieutenant General Archibald Browne; John Brown of John Street, Adelphi, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; John Brown of Upper Grosvenor Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Patrick Crauford Bruce of Glenelg, Esquire; P. Bruce of Madras, Esquire; Captain Thomas Buchanan, East India Service; John Burnett of Counteswells, Esquire; Adam Cameron of Surinam, Esquire; Donald Cameron of Lochiel, Esquire; Lieutenant Colonel Duncan John Cameron, Tunbridge; Lieutenant John Cameron, Madras Army; Captain John Cameron, East India Service; Peter Cameron Younger of Fassfern, Esquire; Major General William Neville Cameron, General Alexander Campbell of Monzie, Alexander Campbell, Esquire, Edinburgh; A. D. Campbell of Madras, Esquire; Archibald Campbell of Blytheswood, Esquire; Lieutenant Colonel Archibald Campbell; Lieutenant Colonel Archibald Campbell, Eighty-fourth, Regiment; Rear Admiral Donald Campbell; Lieutenant General Duncan Campbell of Lochnell; Duncan Campbell of Tavistock Square, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; John Campbell of Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, Esquire; John Campbell of Red Lion Square, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; John Campbell Esquire, Master in Chancery; Captain Patrick Campbell, Royal Navy; Robert Campbell of Ardchattan, Esquire; Robert Campbell of Argyll Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Thomas Campbell of Sydenham, Esquire; Thomas Caw of Great Coram Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; William Chisholm of that Ilk, Esquire; Colonel Archibald Christie; Thomas Cockburn of Devonshire, Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; James Cochrane of Madras, Esquire; Colonel Colebrook of Madras Army; Lieutenant Colonel James Conway

Conway of the Grove, Horndean, in the County of Southampton; Lieutenant Colonel Charles Cunningham; David Cunningham of Great Winchester Street, in the City of London, Esquire; Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple, Madras Army; Kirby Dalrymple of Madras, Esquire; Alexander Gray Davidson of Earl's Court Road, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Lieutenant General Alexander Dirom; Henry Davidson of Tulloch, Esquire; Humphrey Donaldson of Whitehall, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; William Douglas Younger of Castle Douglas, Esquire; Robert Downie of Forres, Esquire; General Andrew John Drummond of Strathallan; James Drummond Younger of Strathallan, Esquire; George Harley Drummond of Drumtochty Castle, Esquire; John Duff of Drummuir, Esquire; James Beveridge Duncan of Damside, Esquire; James Beveridge Duncan Younger of Damside, Esquire; the Right Honourable Hugh Elliot of Madras; Captain Elliot, Madras Army; Captain Augustus Frederick D'Este; Mac Morhar Innerneis; John Farquharson of Haughton, Esquire; William Farquharson of Monaltrie, Esquire; John Fleming of Gloucester Place, in the County of Middlesex, Doctor of Physic; James Flemying of the City Chambers, in the City of London, Esquire; Robert Stewart Flemying of Killichassie, Esquire; Bartholemew Forbes of Change Alley, in the City of London, Esquire; Major General -Benjamin Forbes; Charles Forbes of Auchmedden, Esquire; John Forbes of New, Esquire; Michie Forbes of Fitzroy Square, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Rear Admiral Alexander Fraser; Alexander Fraser of, Lincoln's Inn Fields, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Charles Fraser of Inversiochy and Castle Fraser, Esquire; Duncan Fraser of Fingask, Esquire; Lieutenant Frederick Alexander Fraser, Seventy-eighth Highlanders; George Fraser of the New City Chambers, in the City of London, Esquire; Colonel Hastings Fraser, Eighty-sixth Regiment; Lieutenant Colonel Hugh Fraser, Madras Army; James Fraser of Belladrum, Esquire; John Fraser of Achnagairn, Esquire; John Fraser of Acton Place, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; John Hutchinson Fraser of Finnellan, Esquire; Simon Fraser Younger of Belladrum, Esquire; Captain Thomas Fraser, Madras Army; Thomas Fraser of Madras, Esquire; Thomas Fraser of Newton, Esquire; Captain Fraser, Town Major of Madras; William Fraser Younger of Leadclune, Esquire; Charles Fullarton of Madras, Esquire; Robert Fullarton of Madras, Esquire; John Galt of Lindsay Terrace, Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; John Borthwick Gilchrist, Doctor of Laws, Edinburgh; Mungo Gilmore of Stamford Hill, Esquire; John Goldie of Madras, Esquire; George Gordon of Park Street, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Brigade Major John Gordon, Madras Army; Robert Home Gordon of Embo, Esquire; Alexander Cray Grant Younger of Dalvey, Esquire; Alexander Grant of Serjeants Inn, in the City of London, Esquire; Alexander Grant of Fleet Street, in the City of London, Esquire; Captain Alexander Grant, Enst India Service; Captain Charles Grant, Royal Navy; Charles Grant of the Island of Jamaica, Esquire; Colonel Colquhoun Grant; David Macdowall Grant of Arndilly, Esquire; Francis A. Grant of Madras, Esquire; George Grant of Mark Lane, in the City of London, Elquire; James Grant of Corriemony, Esquire; Captain James Ludovick Grant, East India Service; James Robert Grant of Mulachard, Esquire; John Peter Grant of Rothiemurchus, Esquire; Lieutenant, John Grant,

Grant, Eighty-sixth Regiment; Colonel Lewis Grant, Seventieth Regiment; Peter Grant, Esquire; Peter Grant of the Island of Jamaica, Esquire; Major Robert Grant, Fifty-sixth Regiment; Robert Innes Grant, Esquire; Major General William Grant; S. H. Greig of Madras, Esquire; Charles Hamilton of the City of York, Esquire; James Hamilton of Hunter Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Colonel John Hamilton of Queen's Square, Bloomsbury, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Lieutenant General George Vaughan Hart, George Hay of Madras, Esquire; Robert Hay of Tavistock Place, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Captain William Hay, East India Service; William Henderson of Great Saint Helen's, in the City of London, Esquire; D. Hill of Madras, Esquire; William Horseman of Madras, Doctor of Physic; Thomas Hoseason of Harley Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; William Hoseason of the Island of Jamaica, Esquire; J. R. Hume, Esquire; Thomas Hutchon of Warnford Court, in the City of London, Esquire; Hugh Innes of Lochallh, Esquire; Colonel James Innes, Madras Army; John Innes of Broad Street Buildings, in the City of London, Esquire; John Innes of Copthall Court, in the City of London, Esquire; Charles Ker of Sloane Street, in the County of Middlesex, Doctor of Physic; Lieutenant General John Manners Ker, George Kinloch of Brunswick Square, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; James Kinloch of Jermyn Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; William Knox, Esquire; Alexander Lamb of Princes Street, in the City of London, Esquire; James Lindsay of the Albany, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Captain Low, Madras Army; Major General Keith Macalister, Captain Hector Macalister, Duncan Mac Arthur of Deal, Doctor of Physic; John Mac Arthur of Hinton Lodge, in the County of Hants, Doctor of Laws; John Joseph Alphonzo Mac Arthur of Lincoln's Inn, Esquire; John Mac Arthur of New South Wales, Esquire; Duncan Mac Cullum of Bishopgate Street, in the City of London, Esquire; Robert Mac Conochie of Madras, Esquire; Colonel Alexander Macdonald of Lyndale, Major Alexander Macdonald, Seventy-fixth Regiment; Alexander, Macdonald of Broad Street Buildings, in the City of London, Esquire; Angus Macdonald of Pall Mail Court, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Donald Macdonald, Esquire, Brother of Clanronald; James Macdonald, Younger of East Sheen, Esquire; James Macdonald of Inverness, Esquire; John Macdonald of Montreal, Esquire; John Macdonald of Kennington Common, Esquire; Colonel John Macdonald, Bengal Artillery; Lieutenant Colonel John Macdonald of Queen Anne Street East, in the County of Middlesex; Lieutenant Colonel John Macdonald Younger of Scalpa; John Macdonald of Bury Court, Saint Mary Ake, in the City of London, Esquire; John Macdonald of Forres, Doctor of Physic; General John Macdonald, Bengal; Reginald George Macdonald of Clanronald, Esquire; Colonel Alexander Macdonell of Glengarry, Reverend Alexander Macdonell of Upper Canada, E. Macdonell of Madras, Esquire; Lieutenant Colonel James Macdonell, Coldstream Guards; Lieutenant Colonel Macdonell, Madras Army; Simon Mac Gillivray of Suffolk Lane, in the City of London, Esquire; William Mac Gillivray of Montreal, Esquire; Major Duncan Mac Gregor, Seventy-eighth Highlanders; Charles Mackintosh of Bombay, Esquire; Captain John Mackintosh, East India Service; Captain Mackintosh, Madras Artillery; Major General John Macintyre, John Macintyre, of Jamaica, Esquire; John Local. Macintyre

Macintyre of Bengal, Esquire; Duncan Mackay of Demerara, Esquire; Hector Mackay of Jamaica, Esquire; Captain John Mackellar, Royal Navy; Lieutenant General Alexander Mackenzie of Fairbairn; Alexander Mackenzie of Queen Square, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Colin Alexander Mackenzie of the Albany, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Daniel Mackenzie Esquire, Canada; Duncan Mackenzie Esquire, Keppoch; Henry Mackenzie, Esquire, Canada; Colonel Jabez Mackenzie; John Mackenzie Esquire, Paymaster Risle Brigade; John Mackenzie of Bishopgate Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; John Mackenzie Esquire, Bengal; Kenneth Mackenzie of Portland Place, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Kenneth Mackenzie of Torridon, Esquire; Thomas Mackenzie of Queen Square, in the County of Middlesen, Esquire; Reverend William Mackenzie of Smarden, Captain Wedderburn Mackenzie, John Mackerrell, Esquire, Madras; Robert Mackerrell of Watling Street, in the City of London, Esquire; John Mackie of Mill Hill, in the County of Middlesen, Esquire; Donald Mackinnon of John Street, Adelphi, in the County of Middlesen, Doctor of Physic; Lieutenant Colonel Daniel Mackinnon, Coldstream Guards; William Alexander Mackinnon of that Ilk, Esquire; Captain Archibald Maclaine, Eightyfixth Regiment; Alexander Macleay of Queen Square, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Kenneth Macleay of Newmore, Esquire; Lieutenant Alexander Maclean, Eighty-sixth Regiment; Lieutenant Duncan Maclean, Eighty-sixth Regiment; Captain Thomas Maclean, Madras Army; Archibald Norman Macleod Esquire, Canada; Captain C. Macleod, Madras Army; Captain Donald Macleod, East India Serwice; Donald Macked of Geanies, Esquire; James Crauford Macked, Younger of Geanies, Esquire; Colonel John Macleod of Colbeck, J. M. Macleod Esquire, Madras; Reverend Roderick Macleod of St. Ann's Sobo, Doctor of Divinity; Colonel William Macleod, Parson's Green; Buchannan Macmillan of Bow Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; James Machair Elquire; Roderick Machiel, Younger of Barra, Efquire, Captain Twenty-third Dragoons; Duncan Macpherson of Cluny, Esquire; James Macpherson of Belleville, Esquire; Major General Lachlan Macquarrie, Governor of New South Wales; Malcolm Macqueen of Ridgemont, in the County of Bedford, Esquire; Thomas Potter Macqueen Younger of Ridgemont, Esquire; Alexander Macrae, Esquire, of Clarendon, Jamaica; Alexander Macrae, Esquire, of Demerara; Major Colin Macrae, late of the Seventy-fifth Regiment; Colin Macrae, Esquire, of Demerara; Colin Macrae of Furnival's Inn, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; John Macrae, Esquire, Bengal; Kenneth Murchison Macrae of that Ik, Efquire; William Mactaggart, Esquire, Madras; Colonel Alexander Mair, Deputy Governor Fort Saint George; Neil Malcolm of Politalloch, Esquire; Marmaduke William Constable Maxwell of Nithstale. Esquire; David Milligan of Wimpole Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Robert Milligan of Wimpole Street, in the Country of Middlesex, Esquire; Alexander Milne of Whitehall Place, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; William Mitchell of Harley Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; General James Montgomerie, Major Alexander Morrison, Gunnersbury House, Brentsord; John Worrtson of Auchintoul, Esquire: Lieutenant Colonel William Morrison, Madras Army; Robert Muir of Milden Hall, in the County of Suffolk, Esquire; Lieutenant Donald

Munro, Eighty-sixth Regiment; George Gun Munro of Grenada, Esquire; Hugh Munro of Tanninich, Esquire; Lieutenant Colonel Robert Munro of Livingstone, Colonel Thomas Munro, Madras Army; Walter Ross Munro of Seymour Place, Esquire; William Munro of Thames Street, in the City of London, Esquire; Colonel Murray, Madras Army; Colonel Alexander Mac Gregor Murray, Evan John Mac Gregor Murray of Glencairnaig, Esquire; Honourable L. G. H. Murray, Madras; Colonel Robert Mac Gregor Murray, William Murray, Esquire, Barbadoes; Colonel Ogg, Madras Army; James Ogilvie, Esquire; John Ogilvie, Esquire, Canada; John Hugh D. Ogilvie, Esquire, Madras; Captain Pattullo, Madras Army; Lieutenant Archibald Paxton, Eleventh Dragoons; Major Prendergast, Madras Army; Charles Rait of Fenchurch Street, Esquire; Andrew Reid of Russell Square, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Lieutenant Riddell, Madras Army; Andrew Robertson of Gerrard Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Colin Robertson of Russell Square, in the County of Middlesen, Esquire; Diviè Robertson of Bedford Square, in the County of Middlesen, Esquire; Lieutenant Colonel Donald Robertson, Ebenezer Robertson of Lincoln's Inn Fields, Esquire; Francis Robertson of Lincoln's Inn Fields, Esquire; Colonel W. Philip Colyear Robertson, Captain John Rose, East India Service; Alexander Ross of Cromarty, Esquire; Gilbert Saltoun Esquire, Bermuda; Andrew Scott, Esquire, Madras; Captain Hugh Scott, Madras Army; Captain John Scott, Madras Army; Angus Shaw, Esquire, Quebec; Geddes Mackenzie Simson of Tower Street, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Alexander Sinclair, Esquire, Madras; Captain Alexander Skene, Royal Navy; Andrew Smith Skene, Esquire; William Smith, Esquire; John Spottiswoode of that Ilk, Esquire; Alexander Stewart of Bonskeid, Esquire; Alexander Stewart, Esquire, Madras; Major Alexander Stewart, Colonel David Stewart, Garth; Robert Stewart, Esquire, Haddington; Robert Stewart, Esquire, Isle of Man; William Stewart of Piccadilly, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire; Honourable James Strange, Madras; Hugh Stuart, Esquire, Foreign Office; R.S. Stuart of Alderston, Esquire; Lieutenant General Robert Stuart of Raitt; J. Sutherland, Elquire, Bombay; William Tate of the Old Journy, in the City of London, Esquire; Thomas Telford, Esquire; Richard Townend the Younger, of Lime Street, in the City of London, Esquire; John Tulloh, Esquine, Bengal; Colonel Charles Turner of Seymour Street, in the County of Middlesex; Walter Urguhart of Warles, Esquire; Robert Warden, Esquire; A. Watson, Doctor of Physic, Madras; John Watson of Mincing Lane, in the City of London, Esquire; John Wedderburn of Leadenhall Street, in the City of London, Esquire; General Wemys of that Ilk; Benjamin West, Esquire, President of the Royal Academy; George Young of Austin Friars, in the City of London, Esquire; together with all and every Person who shall be admitted into the said Society as a Member thereof, in Manner herein mentioned, shall be one Body Corporate, by the Name of The Highland Society of London; and that by the same Name they shall have perpetual Succession, and a Common Seal, with Power to change, alter, break, and make new the same, when, and as often as they shall judge the same to be expedient; and that they and their Successors, by the same Name, may sue and be sued, implead, and be impleaded, answer and be answered, in all or any Court or Courts of Record,

Record, and Places of Judicature within this Kingdom; and that they and their Successors, by the Name aforesaid, shall be able and capable in Law, to have, hold, receive, enjoy, possess, and retain, for the Ends and Purposes of this Act, and in Trust, and for the Benefit of the said Society, all fuch Sum and Sums of Money as have been paid, given, devised, or bequeathed, or shall at any Time or Times hereafter be paid, given, devised, or bequeathed by any charitable or well-disposed Person or Persons, to and for the Ends and Purposes in this Act mentioned; and that they and their Successors, by the Name aforesaid, shall and may at any Time hereafter, without License, in Mortmain purchase, take, or receive, hold, and enjoy, any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Estate or Interest therein, for the Purposes of the said Charity, not exceeding Five Thousand Pounds in Value.

Appointment of Officers.

II. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That His Royal Highness Frederick Duke of York and Albany shall be, and he is hereby appointed President of the said Corporation; and that the Right Honourable James Murray, commonly called Lord James Murray; the Right Honourable Alexander George Lord Saltoun; the Right Honourable Sir Archibald Macdonald of East Sheen, Baronet; General Sir George Beckwith, Knight, Grand Cross of the most Honourable Order of the Bath; and Colonel Alexander Macdonell of Glengarry, shall be, and are hereby appointed the Vice Presidents of the same; and that David Cunningham, Esquire; John Galt, Esquire; William Henderson, Esquire; Alexander Lamb, Esquire; James Lindsay, Esquire; Alexander Macleay, Esquire; Donald Mackinnon, Doctor of Physic; Kenneth Murchison Macrae, Esquire; William Munro, Esquire; Andrew Robertson, Esquire; Geddes Mackenzie Simson, Esquire; and George Young, Esquire, shall be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Directors for the Management of the Affairs and Business of the said Corporation, whereof Five at the least may proceed to transact the said Affairs; and that Simon Mac Gillivray, Divie Robertson, and James. Hamilton, Esquires, shall be and they are hereby appointed the Treafurers of the said Corporation; and that Simon Mac Gillivray, and James Hamilton, Esquires, shall be, and they are hereby appointed Secretaries of the same; and that Grant Allan, Alexander Grant, and Colin Robertson, Esquires, shall be, and they are hereby appointed Auditors of the same; and that Colin Macrae, Esquire, shall be, and he is hereby appointed the Deputy Secretary of the same; and that the Reverend William Mackenzie and Roderick Macleod, Doctor of Divinity, shall be, and they are hereby appointed Chaplains of the same; and that the said several Officers shall continue in their respective Offices until the Twenty-first Day of March, which shall be in the Year One thousand eight hundred and seventeen; and that the said President, or in his Absence, One or more of the Vice Presidents, or of the Treasurers, with any Twelve or more of the Members of the said Corporation; or in the Absence of the President, all the Vice Presidents and Treasurers, any Fifteen or more of the Members of the said Corporation, shall compose Third Saturday in May, in the Year One thousand eight hundred and

Who may -compose a General Court.

Tirst General a General Court; and that the First General Court shall be holden on the Court. sixteen, at such House or Place as the said Corporation shall then occupy,

or use for carrying on the Business of the same, and shall then, and from Time to Time, be adjourned to such House or Place as, for the Time being, shall be so occupied or used, or to such other Place as they shall deem expedient, (due Notice being given thereof as herein-after mentioned), at such Time or Times as the said Court shall think necessary, for the due Execution of this Act; and that a General Court of General the said Corporation shall be holden Four Times at least in every Year, Courts. that is to say, on the Third Saturday in the Month of February, the Twenty-first Day of March, the Third Saturday in the Month of April; and the Third Saturday in the Month of May; and, in case the said Twenty-first Day of March should happen to fall on a Sunday or Good Friday, then, and in that Case, the said General Court shall be holden on the Twenty-second, the Day immediately following; and Notice of each fuch General Courts shall be given in Two of the Public Newspapers, Ten Days at least before the holding of every such Court; and whenever special Ge-Occasion shall require, a Special General Court shall be holden by Order neral Courts. of the Committee of Directors, or the major Part of them assembled at any of their Meetings, or upon the Requisition of any Nine of the Members, fignified in Writing to any one of the Secretaries for the Time being, and subscribed by such Members, upon the like Notice thereof being given Ten Days at least before the holding of the fame.

III. And be it further enacted, That all Persons desirous of becoming Members of the said Society, shall be proposed at one of the General or Special General Meetings of the same, or at any Meeting of the Com- Special Gemittee of Directors, and at no other Time, by Two Members of the faid neral Courts; Society, who shall insert in a Book, to be kept for that Purpose, the Name and Place of Abode of such Person, together with their own' Name; and that each of the Persons so proposed, shall be severally put in Nomination at the next ensuing General or Special General Court; and to be and that the Members then present, shall proceed to a Ballot, and such elected by Persons shall be declared to be duly elected as shall appear to be approved. Ballot. Persons shall be declared to be duly elected as shall appear to be approved of by Three Parts in Four of the Members ballotting, and shall before his Admission, pay into the Hands of one of the Treasurers of the said Society, the Sum of Twenty-six Pounds Five Shillings: Provided always, Ballot, by that if in any Case it shall be the unanimous Desire of the Members present Consent, disat such Election, that the Ballot should be dispensed with, and that the pensed with. Person then in Nomination should be elected a Member of the said Society, such Person so elected, shall be deemed and taken to have been elected by Ballot, and shall be admitted a Member of the said Society, on Payment of the Sum aforesaid.

Members to be proposed at General or

IV. And whereas certain Persons have been chosen Honorary Members Honorary of the said Society, and it may be expedient that others should be chosen Members may in future; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That any Number of such Members may be chosen in Manner aforesaid, not exceeding Twenty such Members.

be chosen.

V. And be it further enacted, That at the General Court that shall be Election of holden on the Third Saturday in February, in the Year One thousand President, Local.

· furers, Auditors, Directors, Secretaries, Deputy Secretary, and Chaplains.

General 'Courts' may delegate Powers to Directors: order and dispose of Common Seal; make Bye Laws, and revoke and alter the fame.

eight hundred and seventeen, there shall be chosen a President, Five Vice Presidents, Three Treasurers, Three Auditors, Twelve Directors, Two Secretaries, One Under Secretary, and Two Chaplains, to serve for the Space of One Year only, to commence from the Twenty-first Day of March next ensuing; and that the like Election of the Officers aforesaid, shall be made at the said General Court Yearly, and in every Year; and in case any of the Offices aforesaid shall become vacant by Death, Refignation, or otherwise, another Person shall from Time to Time be chosen to serve in the Place of such Officer, during the Remainder of the Term for which the Person whose Office shall have become vacant, was chosen, and no longer; and the President, and Vice Presidents, Treafurers, Auditors, and Secretaries for the Time being, shall be Members of the said Committee over and above the Twelve Directors to be elected as aforesaid; and also all such Members as shall have served the Offices of President, Vice President, Treasurer, or Secretary of the said Society; and the Members of the said Corporation, assembled at any such General Court as aforesaid, or the major Part of them so assembled, shall have full Power and Authority, in the Name of the said Corporation, and on Committee of their Account, to apply and dispose of the Monies and Funds already given, and which shall from Time to Time be contributed and given by any Person or Persons, on Account of the said Society, and all other Monies and Funds belonging, or to belong to the said hereby created Corporation, to and for the Purposes aforesaid, and to or for any other Purpose, Matter, or any Thing relating to the same, and for the Benefit thereof, at their Discretion; and with and under their Common Seal, to enter into any Covenants and Contracts for the Purposes aforesaid, and for any other Purpose or Purposes for the better effecting and carrying on the Uses and Designs aforesaid; and to do, manage, transact, and determine all such other Matters and Things, as shall to them, at any such Court, appear to be necessary or proper for effecting and carrying on the Purposes aforesaid; and shall and may delegate such Power and Authorrity to the said Committee of Directors, as they shall think necessary for the more speedy, easy, and effectual Execution of this Act; and it shall and may be lawful to and for the Members of the said Corporation, in a General Court assembled only, or the major Part of them, so as aforefaid, to order and dispose of the Custody of the said Common Seal, and the Use and Application thereof; and to make, ordain, and constitute fuch and so many Bye Laws, Constitutions, and Ordinances, as to them, or the greater Number of them then and there present, shall seem necessary and convenient, touching or in any wise concerning the Affairs and Business, and the better governing, regulating, ordering, and managing of the said hereby erected Corporation, and of the Officers, Servants, and Persons employed in and about the Affairs thereof; and for auditing the Accounts of the said Corporation; and the same Bye Laws, Constitutions, and Ordinances so made, to put in use and enforce accordingly, and at their Will and Pleasure to revoke, change, and alter the same, or any Part of them; which said Bye Laws, Constitutions, and Ordinances which shall be so made as aforesaid, shall be duly kept and obferved, provided that the same be reasonable, and not contrary or repugnant to the Statutes, Customs, or Laws of the United Kingdom, or to any Thing in this Act contained.

VI. Provided nevertheless, That no such Bye Law, Rule, or Ordinance No Bye Law shall be binding, or have any Force or Effect, until the same shall have binding unbeen agreed to and confirmed by the next succeeding General Court, by a General whether Quarterly or Extraordinary, and that the same Method shall be Court. observed in altering or repealing any such Bye Laws, Rules, Orders, or Ordinances.

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VII. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and Persons in every Person and Persons in whose Name or Names any Sum or Sums of whose Names Money, Stocks, Funds, Annuities, Mortgages, Securities for Money, or Monies are invested, &c. other Effects whatsoever, shall at the Time of passing this Act stand, or to transfer be secured, the beneficial Interest wherein respectively shall belong to the and assign the faid Society hereby incorporated, shall forthwith, after the passing of this same to the Act, transfer and assign the same respectively, so and in such Manner as Corporation. that the same shall be vested in the hereby erected Corporation, by the Name, Style, and Title herein-before mentioned and enacted.

VIII. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it Power to shall and may be lawful to and for the Treasurers for the Time being of Treasurers, the said hereby erected Corporation, and they are hereby authorized and of Commitrequired from Time to Time, by and with the Consent and Approbation tee, to invest of the Committee of Directors thereof for the Time being, or the major Monies in the Part of fuch Committee present at any of their Meetings, to lay out and Funds. invest all or any such Sum or Sums of Money as have or hath been, or shall hereafter be given, devised, or bequeathed by any charitable or welldisposed Person or Persons, to and for the said Ends, Intents, and Purposes in this Act mentioned, or any Part thereof, other than and except fuch and so much thereof, as the Exigencies of the said Corporation shall call for the immediate Application or Expenditure of, in any of the Public Funds, in the Name of the said hereby erected Corporation.

IX. And it is hereby enacted and declared, That the Dividends, In- Dividends to terest, and Annual Proceeds, which shall from Time to Time arise be applied for from the Funds and Securities belonging, or which shall at any Time the Purposes belong to the said hereby erected Corporation, shall from Time to Time be applied to and for the Uses, Ends, Intents, and Purposes in this Act mentioned.

X. And be it further enacted, That all Questions upon the Pro-Questions to eceedings of the said Corporation at any General Court or Committee of be decided by Directors, shall be decided by Vote; and in case of an Equality of Vote, except in the Elec-Voices, the President or Chairman shall have the Casting Vote, save tion of Memand except in the Case of the Election of Members, as herein bers. mentioned.

XI. And be it further enacted, That the Members of the said Corpo- Power to Geration, at a General Court, or the major Part of them present at such neral Court to General Court, shall have Power from Time to Time, and at all Times, fill up Vacanto fill up any Vacancy or Vacancies of President, Vice Presidents, Treafurers, Auditors, Directors, Secretaries, Deputy Secretary, and Chaplains,

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and appoint such other Officers, Servants, and other Persons, as they shall think necessary to employ for the Purposes, and in the Execution of this Act; and from Time to Time, suspend or remove all such Servants, or other Persons, or any or either of them, as they shall think fit, and appoint others in case of Death, or such Suspension or Removal; and may out of the Monies to be received for the Purposes of this Act, make reasonable Allowances to all such Servants, and other Persons, for their Officers to ac- Services; and that all and every fuch Officers, and Servants, and other Persons of every Description, shall from Time to Time, when thereunto required by the said Committee, or any Five or more of them, make and render to the said Committee, or any Five or more of them, a true, exact, and perfect Account in Writing under their respective Hands, of all Monies which he, she, or they, and every of them respectively, shall to that Time have received, paid, and disbursed, by virtue of this Act, or by reason of their respective Offices; and in case any Money so received, shall remain in their, or any of their Hands, the same shall be paid to the said Committee, or any Five or more of them, or to such Person or Persons as they shall appoint to receive the same; and in case any such Officer or other Person shall not make and render, or shall refuse to verify any such Account, or to make any fuch Payment as aforesaid, then any Two or more Justices of the Peace for the County of Middlesex, or for the City of London, or for such County as the said Society shall for the Time being be situated in, shall and may, upon Complaint to them, make Enquiry of and concerning such Default in a summary Way, (as well by Confession of the Parties themselves as by the Testimony of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, upon Oath or Affirmation, which the said Justices are hereby empowered and required to administer); and if it shall appear to such Justices, that any of the Monies that shall have been received for the Purposes of this Act, shall remain due from such Officer or Servant, fuch Justices may, and are hereby authorized and required, upon Nonpayment thereof, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, to cause such Money to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of fuch Officer or Servant; and if no Goods or Chattels of such Officer or Servant, can be found sufficient to answer and satisfy the said Money, and the Charges of distraining and selling the said Goods and Chattels of such Officer or Servant, or if it shall appear to such Justices, that such Officer or Servant, shall have refused, or wilfully neglected to render or give such Account, or to verify the same as aforesaid, or to produce the Vouchers relating thereto, or that any Books, Papers, or Writings relating to the faid Corporation shall be in the Custody or Power of such Officer or Servant, and he shall have refused, or wilfully neglected to deliver or give Satisfaction respecting the same, then, and in each and every such Case, fuch Justices shall, upon Conviction, commit the Party offending, to the Common Gaol of the County of Middlesex, or the City of London, or of such County as the said Society shall for the Time being be situated in, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize until he, she, or they, shall have made a true and perfect Account and Payment as aforesaid, or until he, she, or they, shall have compounded and agreed with the said Committee, or any Five or more of them, and until he, she, or they, shall have paid such Composition Money, which Composition the said Committee, or any Five or more of them, are hereby empowered to make and receive:

receive: Provided always, that no Officer or Person who shall be so committed for want of sufficient Distress, shall be detained in Prison by virtue of this Act for any longer Space of Time than Six Calendar Months.

XII. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority Treasurers to aforesaid, That the Treasurers for the Time being of the said Corpora-account to the tion, shall give in their Accounts from Time to Time, when required Committee, or at a Geeither by the Committee of Directors at any of their Meetings, or at a neral Court. General Court, there to be examined and allowed or disallowed; and shall pay over all the Monies remaining in their Hands, and transfer all or any Funds which may at any Time be standing in their Names as Treafurers as aforesaid, to the Treasurers immediately succeeding them, on Demand by such succeeding Treasurers, with the Authority of the Committee, or of the General Court at which succeeding Treasurers shall be elected or appointed.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall Appeal. think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Order, Judgment, or Determination of any Justice or Justices of the Peace acting in the Execution of this Act, such Person or Persons may appeal to the Justices of the Peace at the First General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the County, City, or Place within which the Matter of Appeal shall arise, next after the Expiration of One Calendar Month from the Time such Matter of Appeal shall have arisen; the Person or Persons appealing having first given Ten Days Notice at least, of his, her, or their Intention to bring such Appeal, and of the Matter thereof, to the Person or Persons appealed against; and forthwith after such Notice, entering into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace for such County, City, or Place, with Two sufficient Sureties, conditioned to try such Appeal, and abide the Award and Order of the faid Court thereon; and the said Justices at such Session, upon due Proof of such Notice having been given, and Recognizance entered into, are hereby authorized and required to hear and determine the Matter of fuch Appeal in a fummary Way, and to make such Determination therein, and to award such Costs to either of the Parties or otherwise, as they the said Justices shall judge proper; and all such Determinations of the said Justices shall be binding, final and conclusive to and upon all Parties to all Intents and Purposes whatfoever.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Action shall be brought, Limitation of or Suit commenced, against any Person or Persons, for any Thing done in Actions. pursuance of this Act, or in relation to the Premises, or any of them, every such Action or Suit shall be laid or brought within Six Calendar Months next after the Cause of such Suit or Action shall have arisen, in the County where the Cause of such Action shall have arisen, and not elsewhere; and the Defendant or Defendants in fuch Action or Actions, may plead the General Issue, and give this Act, and the Special Matter in Evidence, at any Trial to be had thereupon, and that the same was done in pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if the same shall appear to have been so done, or if such Action or Suit shall not be brought within the Time before limited, or shall be brought in any other County or Place [Local.] than

than aforesaid, then the Jury shall find for the Defendant or Defendants; or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall become nonsuited, or suffer a Discontinuance of his, her, or their Action or Actions, or if a Verdict shall pass against the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, or if upon Demurrer, Judgment shall be given against the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, the Defendant or Defendants shall have Treble Costs, and shall have such Remedy for recovering the same; as any Defendant or Defendants hath or have for Costs in other Cases by Law.

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

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