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Magnæ Britanniae, Franciæ, & Hiberniæ,

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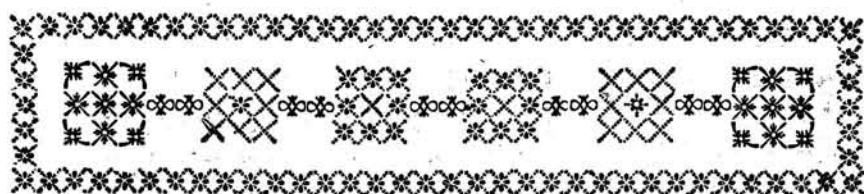
At the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster*, the Eighteenth Day of *May Anno Domini 1784*, in the Twenty-fourth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of God, of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

And from thence continued, by several Prorogations and Adjournments, to the Twenty-first Day of *January 1790*; being the Seventh Session of the Sixteenth Parliament of *Great Britain*.



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C A P. XXXIV.

An Act for giving Relief to such Persons as have suffered in their Rights and Properties, during the late unhappy Dissentions in *America*, in consequence of their Loyalty to His Majesty, and Attachment to the *British* Government; for making Compensation to Persons who furnished Provisions, or other necessary Articles, to the Army or Navy in *America* during the War, or whose Property was used, seized, or destroyed for the carrying on the publick Service there; and also for making Compensation to such Persons as have suffered in their Properties, in consequence of the Cession of the Province of *East Florida* to the King of *Spain*.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

Preamble.



WHEREAS Inquiries have been made, under the Authority of several Acts of Parliament, made and passed in the Twenty-third, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, and Twenty-ninth Years of Your Majesty's Reign, into the Losses of all such Persons as have suffered in their Rights and Properties, during the late unhappy Dissentions in America, in consequence of their Loyalty to Your Majesty, and Attachment to the British Government; and into the Claims of Persons who furnished Provisions or other necessary Articles to the Army or Navy in America during the late War, or whose Property was used, seized, or destroyed, for the carrying on the publick Service there; and also under the Authority of an Act, made in the Twenty-sixth Year of Your Majesty's Reign, into the Losses of all such Persons as have suffered in their Properties, in consequence of the Cession of the Province of East Florida to the King of Spain: And whereas it is consistent with Your Majesty's Munificence, and the Honour and Character of the British Nation, that liberal Relief should be given in Consideration of the Losses of all such Persons as have suffered in their Rights and Properties as aforesaid: 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 the Commissioners appointed by the said Acts to enquire into the Losses and Services of such Persons who have suffered in their Rights, Properties, and Professions, during the late unhappy Dissentions in America, and into the Claims and Losses aforesaid, shall, on or before the Fifth Day of July One thousand seven hundred and ninety, make up and transmit to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, now or for the Time being, a Book or Books signed by themselves, or

Commissioners for enquiring into the Losses of American Sufferers, to transmit to the Treasury, by July 5, 1790, Books made up in the Manner herein directed, of Losses so sustained.

any Two or more of them, containing the Names and Additions of all the several Persons who have already produced satisfactory Evidence of their Losses, with the Amount of the Losses sustained by each Person respectively, as the same have been or shall be ascertained and settled by the said Commissioners respectively; abating therefrom, in the Case of all Persons coming within any of the Classes respectively described, in the Statement of the Claims examined by the said Commissioners, under the Titles of Loyalists who have rendered Services to *Great Britain*; Loyalists who bore Arms in the Service of *Great Britain*; Loyalists Zealous and Uniform; Loyalists who took Oaths to the *American* States, but afterwards joined the *British*; Loyalists who bore Arms for the *American* States, but afterwards joined the *British*; and Loyalists sustaining Losses under the Prohibitory Act; Ten Pounds per Centum of such Part thereof as shall exceed Ten thousand Pounds, where the Amount of such Losses shall not be above Thirty-five thousand Pounds; and also abating therefrom, in the Case of the Claimants under the Will of John Earl of Granville, Forty Pounds per Centum of such Part thereof as shall exceed Ten thousand Pounds; and in the Case of the Right Honourable Robert Lord Fairfax, Twenty Pounds per Centum of such Part thereof as shall exceed Ten thousand Pounds; and likewise abating therefrom such Sums as the said Persons who have suffered in their Rights, Properties, and Professions, during the late unhappy Dissentions in America, have already received, or shall, before the said Fifth Day of July One thousand seven hundred and ninety, receive, towards making good the Losses sustained by them: And the said Commissioners appointed to enquire into the Losses of all such Persons who have suffered in their Properties by the Cession of East Florida to the King of Spain shall, on or before the Fifth Day of July One thousand seven hundred and ninety, make up and transmit to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, now or for the Time being, a Book or Books signed by them, containing the Names and Additions of all the several Persons who have already produced satisfactory Evidence of

Commissioners for enquiring into Losses of Persons by the Cession of East Florida to Spain, to transmit to the Treasury, by July 5, 1790, Books made up in the Manner herein directed of Losses so sustained.

Treasury to direct the Exchequer to make forth Orders for the Sums set against the Names of the Sufferers respectively.

Orders to carry 3*l.* 10*s.* Interest from July 5, 1788.

their Losses, with the Amount of the Losses sustained by each Person respectively, as the same have been or shall be ascertained and settled by the said Commissioners respectively, abating therefrom such Sums as the said Persons, who have suffered in their Properties by the Cession of East Florida to the King of Spain, have already received towards making good the Losses sustained by them; and the said Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, are hereby authorised and impowered to issue their Warrant to the Auditor of the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, to make forth standing Orders (for which no Tallies shall be made or struck), in the Names of the several Persons inserted in such Book or Books, for such Sum and Sums, not being fractional Parts of fifty Pounds, and also distinct Orders for all and every Sum to which any Person shall be intitled by virtue of this Act less than such Sum of fifty Pounds, as shall respectively be set against their Names, as a Compensation for their several Losses; and where the Compensation allowed to any of the said Sufferers shall be a greater Sum than fifty Pounds, and the fractional Part of fifty Pounds, in every such Case, One Order shall be made out for such fractional Part of fifty Pounds, and One or more Order or Orders for the remaining Sum, to complete the Whole of the Compensation to which each respective Person shall or may be intitled unto by virtue of this Act; all which said Orders shall be signed by Three or more of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, and shall be irrevocable; which several and respective Orders shall carry an Interest after the Rate of Three Pounds and Ten Shillings per Centum per Annum, from the fifth Day of July One thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight, all which Orders shall be charged and chargeable upon, and payable and paid, without any Deduction whatsoever, out of any Money that shall be and remain in the Receipt of the Exchequer of the Aids or Supplies which shall be granted by Parliament, in or for the Service of the Years One thousand seven hundred and

and ninety, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, and One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, to the several Persons so to be intitled to such Orders, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns; and the principal Sums contained in such Orders shall be paid off, with the growing Interest which shall be due thereupon, by half-yearly Instalments of Six Pounds and Five Shillings per Centum, on the Fifth Day of April, and the Tenth Day of October in each Year, till the whole Sums for which they are made out, together with the Interest thereupon, are redeemed and paid off, or Money reserved in the Exchequer for that Purpose; the first half-yearly Instalment, together with the Interest on the said Orders, to be computed from the Fifth Day of July One thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight as aforesaid, to be due and payable on the Fifth Day of April One thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, and the Interest payable in respect of such Orders shall cease and be abated in such Proportion as the principal Sum shall be paid off and discharged; and the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, are hereby authorised and impowered to issue their Warrant to the Auditor of the Receipt of the Exchequer to pay, out of any Money remaining there of the said Aids or Supplies, remaining for the Service of the Year in which such Interest and Instalment shall become due, the respective Sum and Sums to which the Proprietors of each and every such Order for Fifty Pounds, and the equi Multiples of Fifty Pounds, made out by virtue of this Act, shall be intitled, by Instalments of Six Pounds and Five Shillings per Centum, together with the Half Year's Interest due upon such Sum as shall be remaining unpaid and undischarged on each half-yearly Day of Payment, when such proportional Sum shall be so directed to be paid off.

Principal and Interest to be paid off by half-yearly Instalments;

the First to be April 5, 1791:

Orders to be
assignable.

II. And be it further enacted, That the standing Orders which shall be made out at the Exchequer in pursuance and under the Authority of this Act, shall be assignable on the Back of such Orders, on the Assignment being attested by Two or more credible Witnesses, which Assignment shall intitle the Assignee, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to the Benefit attending such Order or Orders, and to the Interest which shall become due and payable in respect of the same.

Treasury to
direct Pay-
ment on *Ord.*
10, 1790, of
all Orders un-
der 50*l.*

III. And be it enacted, That the Commissioners of the Treasury now being, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, shall be, and they are hereby authorized, impowered, and required, out of any of the Aids or Supplies that shall be granted for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety, to direct the Payment at the Receipt of the Exchequer of the principal Sums contained in all and every the several and respective Orders made forth for any Sum or Sums of Money less than Fifty Pounds, on the Tenth Day of October One thousand seven hundred and ninety, together with the Interest thereon, computed from the said Fifth Day of July One thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight, to the said Tenth Day of October One thousand seven hundred and ninety.

Commission-
ers to deliver
to the Suffer-
ers Certifi-
cates of the
Sums to which
they are enti-
tled, to be
transmitted
to the Treas-
ury, &c.

IV. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in order to prevent such Orders from being fraudulently obtained from the Auditor of the Exchequer, or his Officers, by any other Person or Persons than those who shall be duly entitled to the same, the said respective Commissioners appointed for ascertaining the Losses aforesaid, shall make forth and deliver to each and every Person named in the said Books, or to his or her lawful Attorney, to be transmitted by them to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, a Certificate containing the Name and Addition of such Claimant, and the Sum to which he or she shall be intitled; which Certificate shall be carried to the proper Officer in the Office of the said Auditor of the Exchequer, who, upon Receipt thereof, shall deliver the Order made out for the Benefit of such Person, and shall take

a Receipt on the Back of such Certificate as a Discharge for the said Order.

V. And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Orders directed to be made out for the Purposes in this Act mentioned, shall be numbered in an Arithmetical Order, beginning with Number One, and so proceeding, in an Arithmetical Progression ascending, wherein the common Excess or Difference shall always be One, and shall be registered accordingly.

Orders to be numbered arithmetically.

VI. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities, contained in an Act made and passed in this Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act for continuing and granting to His Majesty certain Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety, (except such Clauses as charge the Loans or Exchequer Bills authorised to be made by the said Act, and except such Clauses as limit the Rate of Interest to be paid for the Forbearance of Money lent on the Credit of the said Act, and except the Directions for making forth Callies for Loans made out), shall be applied and extended to the Orders which shall be made out in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said Clauses were repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this present Act.

Clauses of Malt Act to extend to this Act, except such as charge the Loans, &c.

VII. Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case any of the said Orders made forth by virtue of this Act shall be filled up by Writing or Indorsements thereon, or by any Accident be defaced, it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, and he and they are hereby authorised and impowered by his or their Direction, from Time to Time, to cause new Orders to be made forth at the Receipt of the Exchequer, in lieu of such Orders which shall be so filled up or defaced, which Orders so filled up or defaced shall be cancelled at the Receipt of the Exchequer, and kept there on a File or Files

Treasury may direct new Orders to be made out in lieu of such as may be defaced, &c.

for that Purpose; and such Orders so to be made forth in lieu thereof shall, in all Respects, be subject to the same Rules, Methods, and Continuance, and have and be intitled to the same and like Benefits and Advantages, and bear the same Numbers, Dates, and principal Sums, as was or were borne by such Order or Orders so cancelled.

Treasury may reward Persons employed in the Execution of this Act.

VIII. Prohibited always, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That out of any of the Aids or Supplies to be granted to His Majesty for the Service of the Years One thousand seven hundred and ninety, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, and One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, or out of such Monies as shall or may remain in the Exchequer of the Consolidated Fund, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, to reward such Person or Persons that shall or may be in any Ways employed in the Execution of this Act for their Labour, Pains, and Service therein respectively, and to satisfy and discharge such incidental Charges and Expences as shall necessarily attend the Execution of the same, in such Manner as the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, shall from Time to Time think fit and reasonable in that Behalf.

If Supplies be not granted for Payment of Orders, they shall be paid out of the Consolidated Fund.

IX. And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case sufficient Aids or Supplies shall not be granted before the Fifth Day of April One thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, or before the Fifth Day of April in each subsequent Year, before the Whole of the said Orders, herein directed to be made forth, are satisfied and paid off with Interest for the same, then such Sum as should or ought to be satisfied and paid pursuant to this Act, in Part of the principal Sum of such Orders, toge-

ther with the Interest that shall then have become due, shall be charged upon such Monies as, at any Time after the said Fifth Day of April in each Year, shall be or remain in the Exchequer of the Consolidated Fund, (except such Monies of the said Consolidated Fund as are appropriated to any Use or Uses by any Act or Acts of Parliament in that Behalf); and such Monies of the said Consolidated Fund shall and may be issued and applied, as soon as the same can be regularly stated and ascertained, for and towards paying off such Instalment or Instalments, and the Interest due and payable on the several Orders, according to the Directions of this Act; any Act or Acts of Parliament, or any Clause or Clauses in any Act or Acts of Parliament, to the contrary notwithstanding.

X. Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That whatever Monies shall be so issued out of the said Consolidated Fund shall, from Time to Time, be replaced by and out of the First Supplies to be then-after granted in Parliament; any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Money issued from Consolidated Fund, to be replaced out of the First Supplies.

XI. And it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall forge or counterfeit any Order, which shall have been made forth by virtue of this Act, before the same shall have been paid off and cancelled, or any Order to be renewed or made forth in pursuance of this Act, or any Indorsement or Writing thereupon or therein, or tender in Payment any such forged or counterfeit Order, with Intent to defraud His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, or the Person or Persons to be appointed to pay off the same, or to pay any Interest thereupon, or any of them, then every such Person or Persons so offending, being thereof lawfully convicted, shall be adjudged a Felon, and shall suffer Death as in Cases of Felony, without Benefit of Clergy.

Persons forging Orders, &c. to suffer Death.