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An Act for enabling the Barons of the Court of Exchequer in *Scotland* to advance to the Lord Provost and Magistrates of the City of *Edinburgh*, for the Purpose of completing the Improvements of the Harbour of *Leith*, a certain Sum, being Part of the Money which by an Act of the last Session of Parliament was directed to be paid into the said Court of Exchequer by the Proprietors of the *Forth* and *Clyde* Navigation. [20th *June* 1800.]

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled, *An Act for empowering the Company of Proprietors of the* Forth *and* Clyde *Navigation to repay into the Court of Exchequer in* Scotland, *the Sum advanced to them for the Purpose of completing the said Navigation; for repealing so much of an Act of the Twenty-fourth Year of His present Majesty, as relates to the said Company; and for enabling the Barons of the said Court of Exchequer to advance Part of the Sum so to be received to the Company of Proprietors of the* Crinan *Canal, on certain Conditions*, it was enacted, That the said Company of Proprietors of the *Forth* and *Clyde* Navigation should pay or cause to be paid into the Court Preamble. 39 Geo. III.

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of Exchequer in *Scotland* the Sum of Fifty thouſand Pounds, at the Times and by the Proportions therein mentioned; and it was thereby further enacted, That the Lord Chief Baron and other Barons of the ſaid Court of Exchequer in *Scotland* ſhould, out of the Firſt Money paid in by the Company of Proprietors of the *Forth* and *Clyde* Navigation, as ſoon as conveniently might be, pay, or cauſe to be paid, the Sum of Twenty-five thouſand Pounds Sterling to the Company of Proprietors of the *Crinan* Canal, to be applied in completing the ſaid Canal; and the ſaid Company of Proprietors of the *Crinan* Canal were thereby required to aſſign and make over to the ſaid Chief Baron and Barons the Rates and Duties ariſing on the ſaid Canal until the ſaid Sum of Twenty-five thouſand Pounds, with Intereſt for the ſame, ſhould be ſatisfied and paid: And whereas by ſeveral Acts paſſed in the Twenty-eighth, Thirty-eighth, and Thirty-ninth Years of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, for enlarging and improving the Harbour of *Leith*, Power was given to the Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council of the City of *Edinburgh*, to make a new Baſon, Quays, Wharfs, and Docks, to levy and collect the ſeveral Rates and Duties therein mentioned, and to borrow certain Sums of Money on the Credit thereof: And whereas the Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council of the City of *Edinburgh* have, at a great Expence, made many and conſiderable Improvements in the ſaid Harbour, but the Wet Docks, Locks, new Piers, Quays, and Dry Docks, from the preſent Harbour of *Leith*, extending Weſtward along the Shore to *Newhaven*, deſcribed in the ſaid recited Act of the Thirty-ninth Year of His preſent Majeſty, which will be of great publick Benefit to Shipping, Trade, and Commerce, cannot be completed without the further Aid of Parliament: 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 Lord Chief Baron and other the Barons of the Court of Exchequer in *Scotland* ſhall pay, or cauſe to be paid, the remaining Sum of Twenty-five thouſand Pounds due and coming from the ſaid Company of Proprietors of the *Forth* and *Clyde* Navigation, and that as ſoon as conveniently may be after the ſame ſhall have been paid into the ſaid Court of Exchequer, as directed by the ſaid Act, to the Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council of the City of *Edinburgh*, or to any Perſon to be appointed by them for that Purpoſe, which Sum ſhall be paid without any Deduction whatſoever, and ſhall be applied in completing the ſaid Wet Dock or Docks, and Lock or Locks, and new Piers, Quays, and Dry Docks, Baſons, or other Works, as may be neceſſary for improving the Entrance to the preſent Harbour, and for making a proper Entrance to the ſaid Docks at *Newhaven*, when ſo extended; and the ſaid Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council of the ſaid City of *Edinburgh*, ſhall and may, and they are hereby authorized and required to aſſign and make over to the Lord Chief Baron and the other Barons of the ſaid Court of Exchequer, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as he and they ſhll appoint, all the Rates and Duties ariſing from the ſaid Harbour, Docks, and Works, by virtue of any of the ſaid recited Acts; and all the Eſtate, Right, Title, and Intereſt of the ſaid Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council, and their Succeſſors in Office, in and to the ſame; and all Quays, Houſes, Lands, or other Property purchaſed for the Purpoſes of the ſaid Harbour, Baſons, Docks, and other Works, until the ſaid Sum of Twenty-five thouſand

The Court of Exchequer in *Scotland* ſhall pay 25,000 *l.* due from the *Forth* and *Clyde* Navigation to the City of *Edinburgh*, to be applied in completing the Harbour of *Leith*, and 5 *l. per Cent.* Intereſt ſhall be paid for the ſame Half yearly till repaid.

Pounds, together with Intereſt for the ſame, at and after the Rate of Five Pounds *per Centum per Annum*, ſhall be completely ſatisfied and paid; which ſaid Aſſignment ſhall be made according to the Form and Manner preſcribed by the ſaid Acts for making and maintaining the ſaid Harbour, Baſons, Quays, Docks, and other Works, and which Intereſt ſhall be paid Half-yearly by the ſaid Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council, and their Succeſſors in Office, into the ſaid Court of Exchequer, at the End of every Six Months from the Time of advancing the ſaid Sum of Twenty-five thouſand Pounds.

The Money may be placed in the Royal Bank, &c. in *Scotland* till required for the Works.

II. Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That until the ſaid Sum of Twenty-five thouſand Pounds, or ſuch Part or Parts thereof as may be neceſſary, ſhall be laid out in carrying on the ſaid Works, it ſhall be lawful to and for the ſaid Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to place the ſaid Sum of Twenty-five thouſand Pounds, or ſuch Part or Parts thereof as they ſhall ſee proper, in the Royal Bank of *Scotland*, or in the Bank of *Scotland*, or with the *Britiſh* Linen Company, or in Government Securities, at ſuch Intereſt as can be procured for the ſame.

The Court of Exchequer ſhall place the Money when repaid to them into the Royal Bank, &c. and the Intereſt ſhall be applied towards the Roads in the Highlands of *Scotland*.

III. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Sum of Twenty-five thouſand Pounds, or ſuch Part or Parts thereof as ſhall from Time to Time be paid into the ſaid Court of Exchequer by the ſaid Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council, ſhall be placed in the Royal Bank of *Scotland*, or Bank of *Scotland*, or on Government Securities, at ſuch Intereſt as can be procured for the ſame; and that all Intereſt from thenceforth to accrue on the ſaid Sum of Twenty-five thouſand Pounds ſhall, when paid into the ſaid Court of Exchequer, be applied towards repairing the Roads and Bridges in the Highlands of *Scotland*, for which Money has been annually granted by Parliament.

Publick Act.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act ſhall be deemed and taken to be a Publick Act, and ſhall be judicially taken Notice of as ſuch, by all Judges, Juſtices, and other Perſons whatſoever, without ſpecially pleading the ſame.

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