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An Act to reduce certain of the Duties now payable on Stage Carriages. [24th *August* 1839.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Second and Third Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to repeal the Duties, under the Management of the Commissioners of Stamps, on Stage Carriages and on Horses let for Hire in* Great Britain, *and to grant other Duties in lieu thereof, and also to consolidate and amend the Laws relating thereto,* certain Duties contained in Schedule (A.) to the said Act annexed were granted and imposed and are now payable for and in respect of every Mile which a Stage Carriage shall be licensed to travel: And whereas it is expedient to substitute the reduced Duties contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed for and in lieu of the Duties so granted by the said Act as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the Sixth Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine the aforesaid Duties granted by the said recited Act shall be and the same are hereby repealed; and in lieu thereof there shall be raised, levied, and paid, unto and for the Use of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, in and throughout *Great Britain*, for and in respect of every Mile which

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Recited Duties on Stage Carriages repealed, and reduced Duties granted in lieu thereof.

which any Stage Carriage shall be licensed to travel, the reduced Duties contained in the Schedule to this Act annexed; which said Duties hereby granted shall be under the Care and Management of the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes for the Time being, and shall be denominated and deemed to be Stamp Duties; and all the Powers, Provisions, Clauses, Regulations, and Directions, Fines, Forfeitures, Pains, and Penalties, contained in or imposed by the said recited Act or the Schedule (A.) annexed thereto, or any other Act or Acts relating to Duties of the like Kind, so far as the same are now in force, shall be of full Force and Effect with respect to the Duties by this Act imposed, and shall be observed, applied, enforced, and put in execution for the raising, levying, collecting, and securing of the said Duties, and otherwise relating thereto, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if the same had been herein repeated and specially enacted with reference to the said Duties by this Act imposed: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to repeal any Duties granted by the said recited Act which shall have accrued or been incurred before the Commencement of this Act, but that all such Duties shall be recoverable in like Manner as if this Act had not been passed.

All the Regulations and Penalties respecting the Duties imposed by the recited Act shall apply to the Duties hereby imposed.

II. And whereas by the said recited Act it is required that there shall be painted in manner therein mentioned upon every Stage Carriage the greatest Number of Passengers allowed to be carried in or by such Carriage, and also, when such Carriage shall be licensed to carry both Inside and Outside Passengers, the greatest Number of Passengers allowed to be taken in the Inside and on the Outside thereof respectively: And whereas upon some Stage Carriages there are painted several Inscriptions differing from each other as to the Number of Passengers which such Stage Carriage is licensed to carry, and One or more of them differing in that respect from the Licence granted for such Stage Carriage, whereby the Object and Intention of the said last-recited Enactment are defeated, and it is expedient to provide a Remedy for the same; be it therefore enacted, That if any Stage Carriage shall be used having any Inscription written, painted, or marked thereon importing or signifying, or intended to import or signify, that such Carriage is licensed or authorized to carry or convey thereby, either in the whole or in the Inside or on or about the Outside thereof, any Number of Passengers other than the actual Number which such Carriage is by the Licence relating to the numbered Plate or Plates which shall be fixed or placed upon such Carriage expressly authorized to carry either in the whole or in the Inside or on or about the Outside thereof respectively, the Proprietor of such Carriage shall forfeit for every such Offence the Sum of Five Pounds, to be recovered and applied in like Manner as any Penalty incurred under the said recited Act may be recovered and applied.

Penalty for marking upon Stage Carriages any Inscription differing from the Licence as to the Number of Passengers authorized to be carried thereby.

The SCHEDULE to which this Act refers;

CONTAINING

The DUTIES payable by virtue of this Act; (that is to say,)

For and in respect of every Mile which any Stage Carriage shall be licensed to travel the several Sums following respectively; (that is to say,)

If such Stage Carriage shall be licensed to carry—	Duty per Mile. s.	d.
Not more than Six Passengers	0	1
More than Six and not more than Ten Passengers	0	1½
More than Ten and not more than Thirteen Passengers	0	2
More than Thirteen and not more than Sixteen Passengers	0	2½
More than Sixteen and not more than Nineteen Passengers	0	3
More than Nineteen and not more than Twenty-two Passengers	0	3½
And if such Stage Carriage shall be licensed to carry more than Twenty-two Passengers, then for every Three additional Passengers exceeding Twenty-two which such Stage Carriage shall be licensed to carry the additional Duty of	0	0½

And where such Excess above Twenty-two shall not be exactly Three or a Multiple of Three, then such additional Duty of One Halfpenny shall be payable also for any Number of such Excess being less than Three, or progressively less than any Multiple of Three, which such Stage Carriage shall be licensed to carry.

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