

ANNO QUINTO

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Treasury may issue 50,000*l.* for the Purposes of this Act.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to issue, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, the Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds to the Commissioners appointed by virtue of the said recited Act, or any Three or more of them; such Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds to be applied by the said Commissioners for the Purposes of this Act, and in the meantime to be invested by them in Exchequer Bills, or otherwise, as they may think fit; and the said Commissioners shall render Accounts of the Expenditure thereof to the Barons of the Exchequer in *Scotland*, at such Times and in such Manner as they shall think fit to order and direct.

Accounts of the Expenditure to be rendered into the Exchequer in Scotland.

Commissioners may erect additional Places of Worship, with suitable Provision for Residences, upon proper Application.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners to erect or set apart Buildings for additional Places of Worship, to make fit and suitable Provision for the Residence of the Minister officiating at such Places of Worship, and to exercise the other Powers for the Accomplishment of the Purposes of this Act, within such Parish or Parishes in the Highlands or Islands of *Scotland* from which Application shall be made to the said Commissioners by any Heritor or Heritors possessed of Land to the Amount of One hundred Pounds *Scots* of valued Rent in any Parish or Parishes in the Highlands or Islands of *Scotland* where an additional Place of Worship is by him or them desired to be erected or set apart.

Application to specify Particulars as to Ground, &c.

IV. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where any such additional Places of Worship, and Dwelling House with Offices, shall be proposed to be erected, or to be purchased and fitted up pursuant to this Act, it shall be set forth in the Application to the said Commissioners whether the Heritor, or any Two of the Heritors making such Application, is or are willing to undertake for the Repair of such additional Place of Worship to the Extent herein-after limited; and in what Manner Ground for the Site thereof, and also Ground sufficient for a Churchyard or Place of Burial (where such shall be deemed necessary), with Access thereto, and also Ground for a Garden for the Minister (of not less than Half a *Scotch* Acre) can be provided and secured, and whether such Ground is to be given and granted without valuable Consideration, or is proposed to be paid for out of the Money granted by this Act: Provided always, that the Sum proposed to be paid for the Ground, and the immediate Possession thereof, shall be specified in the said Application; and if it shall be proposed that any Building already erected shall be appropriated and fitted up as an additional Place of Worship pursuant to this Act, it shall in like Manner be specified in such Application whether the same is to be given and granted without valuable Consideration, or whether it is to be sold to the Commissioners; and in this last Case, the proposed Price shall be specified in the said Application.

Notice to be given of Applications.

V. And be it further enacted, That upon receiving any such Application the said Commissioners shall direct Notice thereof to be given to the Incumbent or Incumbents of the Parish or Parishes from

from whence such Application shall come, who shall cause such Notice to be read from the Precentor's Desk or Desks, after the Morning Service, on the first *Sunday* after the same shall be received by him or them, and who shall also cause a Copy thereof to be affixed on the Door or Doors of the Parish Church or Churches.

Circumstances of the Case to be inquired into;

VI. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Expiration of a certain Time to be specified in such Notice, it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners, after having inquired into the Circumstances of the Case, to settle and determine whether an additional Place or Places of Religious Worship should be provided in such Parish or Parishes; and if the said Commissioners shall determine that an additional Place or Places of Worship ought to be provided for the Parish or Parishes from which such Application shall have been made, then the said Commissioners are hereby empowered and directed to require the Heritor or Heritors making such Application to settle and agree with the Presbytery of the Bounds, so as to define and set apart a certain District within such Parish or Parishes for behoof of which District such additional Place of Worship is to be erected or provided, and to which the Labours of the Minister to be appointed as herein-after directed to officiate at such additional Place of Worship, shall be confined; and if such Heritor or Heritors and Presbytery cannot agree, then they shall and they are hereby required to state the Matter to the Sheriff Depute of the County, who is hereby required to hear the Parties, or to receive a written Statement from them (if they think proper to make a written Statement), and to make a Report thereupon to the said Commissioners, who are hereby authorized upon receiving such Report to require further Information, if they think it necessary, and thereafter, or upon such Report, finally to determine and set apart such District: Provided nevertheless, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners, before any such District is defined and set apart as aforesaid, to ascertain and settle the proper Situation for, with Access to, and the Size and Description of the Building which shall be erected or purchased and fitted up pursuant to this Act as an additional Place of Religious Worship, to be and become an additional Place of Religious Worship in full Communion with the established Church of *Scotland*, with a Churchyard or Place of Burial, (if such shall be deemed necessary), and of the Dwelling House, with such Offices and Appurtenances as it may be proper should be afforded to the Minister thereafter appointed pursuant to this Act to officiate at such additional Place of Worship; and the said Commissioners are hereby further authorized to proceed in the erecting or purchasing and fitting up the said Building or Buildings, as the Case may require, before any such District is defined and set apart as aforesaid.

and if Commissioners determine upon an additional Place of Worship, Heritors and Presbytery to define the District;

If Heritors and Presbytery cannot agree, Matter to be referred to the Sheriff Depute;

Commissioners to determine the Situation and Size of Building.

District may be altered.

VII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That upon the Representation of the Presbytery of the Bounds within which any such District shall be situate, it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners at any Time thereafter to alter such District, and to define and set apart a new District for any such additional Place of Worship.

VIII. And

Commissioners empowered to accept Ground for a Glebe.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners to accept from any Heritor or Heritors, in any Parish in which such an additional Place of Worship shall be erected or provided, a Portion of Ground in Name of Glebe, and also to accept any Grant or Privilege of grassing in the Summer.

Heirs of Entail empowered to grant Land, &c. for the Purposes of this Act.

IX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for any Heir of Entail in *Scotland*, Trustee, Tutor and Curator of Minors, and every Person lawfully empowered to act for Persons under any legal Disability or Incapacity, with or without valuable Consideration, to give and grant, heritably and irredeemably, or in Lease, to the said Commissioners, such Land or Heritage belonging to them or under their Management, as may be necessary for all or any of the Purposes before specified; and such Heir of Entail shall not thereby be subject to nor incur any Forfeiture or Irritancy under any Deed of Entail, by virtue of which he or she may hold the said Land or Heritage.

Form of Conveyance.

X. And be it further enacted, That all Conveyances or Assurances which shall be made of any Lands and Heritages for the Purposes of this Act, shall be made according to the following Form, or as near thereto as the Circumstances of the Case will admit:

'I [*or* we] of do hereby grant, dispone, and convey to the Commissioners acting in the Execution of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled [*here set forth the Title of this Act*], [*describing the Premises to be conveyed*], and all my Right, Title, and Interest to and in the same and every Part thereof, to hold to the said Commissioners or such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, to be devoted for ever to the Purposes specified in and by virtue of and according to the true Intent and Meaning of the said Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty. In witness whereof I have set my Hand to these Presents, written by [*insert the Name and Description of the Writer*] this Day of in the Year of our Lord Before these Witnesses [*insert Names and Descriptions of Witnesses, who will also subscribe as Witnesses.*]'

Conveyances to be registered.

And all such Conveyances and Assurances shall be registered within Sixty Days of the Date thereof, in the general or particular Register of Sasines, and shall thereupon be valid and effectual in Law to all Intents and Purposes, and shall be a complete Bar to all other Rights, Titles, Trusts and Interests, and Incumbrances to, in, or upon the same whatsoever; and no Stamp Duty shall be paid for or in respect of any such Conveyances or Assurances, or of any Lease to be granted under the Powers contained in this Act, any Law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Size and Description of Building to be settled by the Commissioners.

XI. And be it further enacted, That the Size and Description of the Building for any such Place of Religious Worship, and of a Dwelling House for the Minister, with Offices as aforesaid, and the Manner in which the same shall be executed and completed, or purchased and fitted up, shall be ascertained and settled by the said

Commissioners acting in the Execution of this Act, together with the Expence thereof and of inclosing the same; the total Amount whereof, including the Price to be paid for the Ground or Premises where the same shall be paid out of the Money hereby granted, shall not exceed the Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds in any one Case.

Church when completed to be appropriated for the Purposes of this Act.

XII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That after the Erection or Purchase of any such Place of Worship, Building, or Premises, shall have been completed by the said Commissioners, the same is hereby and shall for ever continue to be appropriated for the Purposes of this Act.

Amount of Minister's Stipend, including Communion Elements, not to exceed 120*l.* per Annum.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners acting in the Execution of this Act, upon being satisfied in respect of the Completion of any additional Place of Worship, and of a Dwelling House and Appurtenances for the Minister, shall ascertain and fix the Stipend which shall be paid and payable to the Minister to be nominated and appointed to officiate at any such Place of Worship, from the Term of *Whitsunday* or *Michaelmas* immediately preceding the Date of his Admission thereunto by the Presbytery of the Bounds; and which Stipend shall not exceed the Sum of One hundred and twenty Pounds *per Annum* in any Case (including the Sum necessary for Communion Elements, which shall be provided by and at the Expence of the said Minister), which Stipend, on the Issue thereof in Manner herein-after mentioned, shall not be subject to any Exchequer Fees, Stamp Duties, or other Deductions whatsoever; and the said Commissioners shall certify the Amount of the same under their Hands to the said Barons of the Exchequer in *Scotland*; whereupon and thereafter the said Barons shall issue their Precepts for the Payment of such Stipend Half-yearly, at such Two Terms in the Year during the Incumbency of the Person entitled to the same, and in such Manner as herein-after is mentioned.

Completion of Church to be certified, and the Amount of the Stipend to be paid to the Minister.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners shall certify to His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department the Completion of such additional Place of Worship and Premises, as the Case may be, and the Amount of the Stipend to be paid and payable to the Minister officiating thereat, which shall be paid to such Minister by the Receiver General of *Scotland*, out of any Public Money for the Time in his Hands, at such Terms in the Year, and in such Manner as the Augmentation of Stipends made by virtue of an Act passed in the Fiftieth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for augmenting Parochial Stipends in certain Cases in* Scotland, is by that Act directed to be paid; and it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, thereupon and in any Case where a Vacancy shall happen thereafter, by the Death, Resignation, Deprivation, or Removal of the Incumbent to another Living, to nominate and appoint a fit Person to be the Minister of such Place of Worship, within Six Calendar Months after the Date of such Intimation to His Majesty's Secretary of State, or after the Date of the said Vacancy, to whom the aforesaid Stipend shall be paid and payable in the Manner herein-before directed; and

50 G. 3. c. 84.

Presentation of Ministers to be in His Majesty.

if no such Minister shall be nominated or appointed by His Majesty, within the Space of Six Calendar Months, it shall in that Event be lawful for the Presbytery of the Bounds within which such Place of Worship is situated, according to the Law of *Scotland* in like Cases, *jure devoluto*, to nominate and appoint a fit Person to be Minister of the said Place of Worship, who shall be authorized, on his Admission to the said Place of Worship, to discharge all the Duties required of the Minister thereof, and shall thereupon become empowered and enabled to receive all the Emoluments belonging to his Situation as Minister aforesaid, in the same Manner and to the same Effect, and with the same Right and Title, as if he had been nominated by His Majesty.

Presentation to be laid before Presbytery for Admission of Nominee.

XV. And be it further enacted, That such Nomination shall be laid before the Presbytery within whose Bounds the said Place of Worship shall be situated, along with a Letter of Acceptance by the Person so nominated, his Licence and Testimonials, and a Certificate of his Qualification to Government, if such Person shall not have been previously ordained, and if previously ordained, an Extract of such previous Ordination; and thereupon the Person so nominated, if found on Trial to be qualified, shall be admitted to be Minister of the said Place of Worship by the said Presbytery of the Bounds, according to the Law and Practice and the accustomed Forms of the Church of *Scotland*; and when the Person so nominated shall be admitted and ordained as aforesaid, he shall be thereby entitled and bound to discharge, within the District for the Behoof of which the said Place of Worship shall have been erected or provided, all the Duties of a Minister of the Church of *Scotland*, save and except the Right and Duty of Church Discipline, and shall be in all respects subject to the Discipline and Government of the Church of *Scotland* by Presbyteries, Provincial Synods, and General Assemblies, as by Law unalterably established.

Provision for Elders to additional Places of Worship.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Minister and Kirk Session of the Parish or Parishes to which the District attached to any such Place of Worship belongs, to make such Provision for the Attendance of Members of the said Kirk Session or Kirk Sessions (being Inhabitants of the District attached to the additional Place of Worship), to officiate as Elders at the said Place of Worship, as to them shall seem necessary and expedient, and as is customary by the Practice and Forms of the Church of *Scotland* for the Attendance of Elders at Parish Churches; and that the Minister of the District, together with these Elders, shall give Direction in all Things relative to the additional Church of the District.

Provision for Collections for the Poor at the Doors of additional Places of Worship, &c.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That the Minister and Elders officiating at such Place of Worship shall be and they are hereby enabled and required to make weekly and other Collections for the Poor of the District, to be assigned to such additional Place of Worship, and to receive and apply voluntary Donations or charitable Contributions in the same Manner, and to the same Extent, and for the same Uses and Purposes, within the District, but subject to the same Rules and Regulations as is now competent to the Ministers

and Kirk Sessions of Parish Churches, and subject also to the Controul and Direction of the Kirk Session and Heritors of the Parish or Parishes to which the said District belongs: Provided always, that the Poor within the said District, in the Event of the said Collection or voluntary Contributions being insufficient for their Relief, shall retain their Claim (as it may now exist by Law for Relief) upon the Parish or Parishes to which they may belong; and with and under this express Provision and Declaration, and it is hereby expressly provided and declared, that the Minister and Elders of the said additional Place of Worship shall be bound and obliged, as they are hereby expressly directed and required, to keep a regular Record of their Receipts and Disbursements, and to produce the same to the Kirk Session or Kirk Sessions and Heritors of the Parish or Parishes in which the said District shall be situated, and to the Presbytery of the Bounds, as often as they shall be required so to do.

If Collections should be insufficient, the Poor to retain their Claim on the Parishes.

Ministers, &c. to keep Accounts, and produce them when required.

XVIII. And whereas it is necessary that effectual Provision should be made for the Repair of the said additional Places of Worship, and Dwelling Houses and Premises thereto attached, after they shall have been built or provided; be it further enacted, That with respect to every such additional Place of Worship, the Heritor or any Two of Heritors applying for the same, his or their Heirs and Successors in the Lands situated within the District for which such additional Place of Worship shall be set apart, to be specified and described for that Purpose, shall by such Application be and become bound to keep and maintain such additional Place of Worship in good and sufficient Repair to the Extent herein-after limited; (that is to say): Provided always, that the Pew Rents of such additional Place of Worship shall be applied towards the Repair of such additional Place of Worship, and also of the Dwelling House and Offices of the Minister, in the first Instance, under the Directions of the Surveyor appointed by the Commissioners, and in Default of his giving such Directions during One whole Year, then under the Directions of the Heritor or Heritors undertaking for the Repair of such additional Place of Worship, of the Minister, and of the officiating Elders, who are also empowered hereby to give Direction for small Repairs at any Time when requisite; and provided further, that after the Application of the Pew Rents, the Expence to be defrayed by the said Heritor or Heritors so applying, his or their Heirs and Successors as aforesaid, shall not in any one Year exceed the Sum of One *per Centum* upon the Amount of the Money originally expended in building or purchasing and completing such additional Place of Worship, (or in case of Gift of any Building for that Purpose, in like Manner not exceeding One *per Centum* upon the original Value of the same, as estimated by the Surveyor of the Commissioners), to which Extent and no further the said Heritor or Heritors shall be compellable to repair the same, in such Manner as Heritors are compellable by Law to repair Parish Churches in *Scotland*; and with respect to the Dwelling House and Offices of the Minister officiating at any such additional Place of Worship, the same shall be kept and maintained in good and sufficient Repair by such Minister for the Time being: Provided always, that the Pew Rents of such additional Place of Worship shall be set apart and applied as well to the Repair of such Dwelling House and Offices as to the Repair

Provision for the Repair of additional Churches, and of the Dwelling Houses of the Ministers.

Limiting the Expence of Repairs by the Heritors.

Application of Pew Rents.

Repair of such additional Place of Worship, in the first Instance, in proportion to the first Cost or Value of such Place of Worship and of such Dwelling House respectively, and in manner as aforesaid; and provided further, that the Expence to be defrayed by the said Minister for the Time being shall not in any one Year exceed the Sum of Two *per Centum* upon the estimated original Value of the same, or upon the Amount of the Money expended in building and completing such Dwelling House and Offices.

Limiting the Expence to the Minister.

Letting of Pews.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the Manner of letting Pews in the additional Places of Worship shall be settled as agreed upon by and between the Heritor or Heritors who undertake for the Repair of the additional Places of Worship as aforesaid, and the Minister for the Time being: Provided always, that in no Case whatever shall the Pew Rent exceed the Sum of Two Shillings and Sixpence *per Annum* for each Sitting; and if they cannot agree, then they shall and they are hereby required to state the Matter to the Sheriff Depute of the County, who is hereby required to hear the Parties, or to receive a written Statement from them, (if they think proper to make a written Statement), and to make a Report thereupon to the said Commissioners, who are hereby authorized upon receiving such Report to require further Information, if they think it necessary, and thereafter, or upon such Report, finally to settle the Manner of letting the Pews thereof: Provided always, that one sufficient Pew shall be set apart and appropriated Rent-free for the Accommodation of the Family of the Heritor who undertakes wholly or principally for the Repair of the additional Place of Worship as aforesaid, and another Pew in like Manner for the Accommodation of the Family of the Minister officiating in the District, and another Pew for the officiating Elders: And provided also, that not less than One-third Part of the said Place of Worship shall be set apart as free Seats, for all Persons frequenting the same, unless the Commissioners shall upon some special Representation see fit to direct otherwise.

Pew Rent Accumulation to be paid into the Bank.

XX. And whereas it may reasonably be expected that the Expence of upholding the additional Place of Worship and the Dwelling House of the Ministers will be of small Amount during several Years after the Erection or Acquisition thereof by the Commissioners, whereby the Pew Rent may probably accumulate in the Hands of the Minister and officiating Elders, to whom in all Cases the same shall be payable; be it therefore enacted, That when and so soon as a Balance of Twenty Pounds Sterling and upwards shall appear to have accumulated upon Receipt of the Half-yearly Pew Rent due at *Martinmas* in every Year, it shall be lawful for the Minister and officiating Elders, and they are hereby directed and required, to pay the same into the Bank of *Scotland*, or some Branch Bank thereof, or some other chartered Bank, in the Name of Two of themselves thereunto appointed from Time to Time, as may be deemed requisite and proper by the Majority of them.

Money to be drawn out to keep the Church in Repair.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That the Money so paid into Bank may be drawn out and expended for the Purpose of upholding in due Repair or improving the Fabric of the additional Place of Worship, or

or Dwelling House of the Minister, (in proportion to the first Cost or Value of such Place of Worship or Dwelling House respectively), and for no other Purpose whatsoever.

Pew Rent Payments regulated.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That all Pew Rents shall be payable in advance; (that is to say), One Year's Rent shall be paid on Admission to the Pew or Seat, if such Admission shall take place at *Whitsunday* or *Martinmas*, or if at any intermediate Period, then for the Proportion of the Half Year to *Whitsunday* or *Martinmas*, together with a Half Year's Rent over and above such Proportion, and thereafter Half-yearly Payments shall be made in advance, commencing on the *Whitsunday* or *Martinmas* immediately following the Admission to such Pew or Seat; and every such Pew or Seat shall be forfeited and become vacant by the Discontinuance of any such Payment in advance for Two following Half Years.

Rights and Interests of Ministers of Churches under this Act regulated as those of the Parochial Clergy.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That the Rights and Interests of the respective Ministers who may be appointed to officiate at the Places of Worship erected or set apart under the Authority of this Act shall, in case of their Decease, Removal, or Resignation, cease and determine, and shall be regulated at the same Terms of *Whitsunday* or *Michaelmas*, and in the same Manner as the Rights and Interests of the Parochial Clergy of *Scotland* in their Parochial Stipends cease and determine, and are regulated by the Law of *Scotland*; and that in like Manner the Rights and Interests of their Successors appointed to officiate at such Places of Worship shall commence and vest at the Terms of *Whitsunday* or *Michaelmas* immediately preceding their Admission to their respective Places of Worship, in like Manner as the Rights and Interests of the Parochial Clergy of *Scotland* in their Stipends do commence and vest by the Law of *Scotland*.

Rights of their Executors, &c. also so regulated.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That the Widow or nearest of Kin of the Minister appointed to officiate at such Place of Worship shall be entitled to draw One Half-yearly Moiety of the Stipend payable under the Authority of this Act in the Name of *Ann*, over and above the Proportion of Stipend or Allowance that may have been due to the Minister deceasing, in the same Manner as is directed by the Law of *Scotland* with respect to the Parochial Stipends of the Clergy of *Scotland*, and Payment of the said Moiety in the Name of *Ann* shall be made in the Manner above directed for the Payment of Stipend for the Ministers officiating at such Places of Worship to those having Right thereto by the Law of *Scotland*, upon their Receipt, without the Necessity of Confirmation or other Title to be made up in their Behalf.

Other Rights and Interests of Ministers how regulated.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That all Questions which may arise in Courts of Law respecting the Rights of the Ministers appointed to officiate at such Places of Worship, or regarding their civil and patrimonial Interests in their respective Situations, and all Questions which may arise respecting the Administration of the weekly or other Collections made at such Places of Worship, shall be judged of and determined respectively according to the Law of *Scotland* respecting

specting the Rights and Interests of Parochial Clergy, and respecting the Administration and Distribution of the Collections made at Parish Churches, in so far as may be consistent with the Provisions of this Act; and regard being always had to the Consideration, that the District set apart for the Duties of such Minister, appointed as aforesaid, is not disjoined from the Parish or Parishes to which it belongs, or erected into a separate Parish; and that the Elders officiating at such Place of Worship do not, along with such Ministers, form any separate and distinct Kirk Session, and cannot derive any Authority as such from the Provisions of this Act, but are merely Members of the Kirk Session or Kirk Sessions of the respective Parish or Parishes in which the District has been set apart, and have no Authority or Jurisdiction except such as by Law belongs to them as Members of such Kirk Session or Kirk Sessions, and acting as Members of Meetings of the same.

Saving of the Discipline and Government of the Church.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That nothing contained in this Act shall interfere with or be construed to interfere with the Discipline and Government of the Church of *Scotland*, by Kirk Sessions, Presbyteries, Provincial Synods, and General Assemblies, as by Law unalterably established; and the Ministers appointed to officiate at the Places of Worship erected or set apart under Authority of this Act shall be in all respects subject to the Ecclesiastical Superintendance and Government of the Church of *Scotland*, according to the Laws of that Church.

Number of Churches to be established under this Act.

XXVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Number of additional Places of Worship to be established under the Provisions of this Act shall not at any Time exceed Forty.

Provision with reference to particular Places of Worship.

XXVIII. And whereas in some Parts of the Highlands and in some of the Islands of *Scotland* there are Places of Religious Worship to which a Minister may occasionally resort for the Purpose of performing Divine Service, to some of which Places of Worship it may be expedient that a Minister should be appointed, for whom a Dwelling House with a Garden should be provided, and a Stipend should be settled in the Manner directed by this Act; be it therefore enacted, That in addition to the Number of Forty additional Places of Worship that may be established under this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners to put in sufficient Repair any Number not exceeding Ten of such Places of Religious Worship, to which a Minister may occasionally resort for the Purpose of performing Divine Service, and to provide a Dwelling House with a Garden, and to settle a Stipend for the Minister to be appointed to any such Place of Worship in the Manner directed by this Act; and the same Course shall be followed in the Case of any such additional Place of Worship and Dwelling House, and the Minister thereof, as is directed by this Act to be followed in the Case of any other additional Place of Worship, Dwelling, or Minister established by virtue thereof.

Extra-parochial Places to be deemed Parishes.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners, in Execution of this Act, to consider any

extra-parochial Place in the Highlands or Islands of *Scotland* as a Parish, and they are hereby authorized to proceed accordingly; and in case of the Absence of any Heritor or Heritors from the Realm, they are hereby empowered to entertain any Application of his accredited Agent or Factor for his Behoof, in all Matters relative to the Execution of this Act.

Treasury to issue Money for defraying the Expences incurred in Execution of this Act.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them for the Time being, and they are respectively authorized to direct to be issued and advanced all such Sums of Money as shall appear to them to be necessary, to such Person or Persons, in such Manner, and in such Proportions as the said Commissioners acting in the Execution of this Act, or any Three of them respectively, shall, by Writing under their Hands, from Time to Time desire, and as shall be approved of by the said Commissioners of the Treasury, and such Monies may and shall be issued out of any Part of the Public Monies remaining in His Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster*; which Sums to be issued and advanced shall be applied to the Payment of Allowances and Rewards as aforesaid, and in defraying all necessary Charges and Expences in or about the Execution of this Act, without other Account than before the said Commissioners of the Treasury; and which Money so to be issued shall not be subject to any Tax, Duty, Rate, or Assessment whatever, imposed by Authority of Parliament; but that an Account of the said Charges and Expences, so long as the said Commission shall remain in force, shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament once in every Year; and the said Commissioners acting in the Execution of this Act shall also once in every Year report their Proceedings under this Act, in Writing, to both Houses of Parliament, with such Observations as they shall think proper.

Commissioners to report to Parliament.

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