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CAP. CX.

An Act to repeal so much of an Act of the Fifty-fourth Year of King *George* the Third, respecting Copyrights, as requires the Delivery of a Copy of every published Book to the Libraries of *Sion College*, the Four Universities of *Scotland*, and of the King's Inns in *Dublin*. [20th *August* 1836.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifty-fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to amend the several Acts for the Encouragement of Learning by securing the Copies and Copyright of printed Books to the Authors of such Books or their Assigns*, it is among other Things enacted, that Eleven Copies of every published Book shall be gratuitously delivered to Eleven Public Libraries named in the said Act: And whereas the Provisions of the said Act have in certain respects operated to the Injury of Authors and Publishers, and have in some Cases checked or prevented the Publication of Works of great Utility and Importance, and it is therefore expedient that the said Act should be amended: Be it therefore 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 so much of the said recited Act as requires that a Copy of every Book which shall be printed and published shall be delivered in manner therein mentioned to the Warehouse Keeper of the

54G.3.c.156.

So much of recited Act as requires the Delivery of Copies of

Books for the Libraries herein mentioned repealed.

the Company of Stationers for the Use of the Library of *Sion College*, the Libraries of the Four Universities of *Scotland*, and the King's Inns Library at *Dublin*, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

Compensation to be made to the said Libraries out of Consolidated Fund.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord High Treasurer or for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, from Time to Time to issue and pay out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to the Person or Persons or Body Politic or Corporate, Proprietors or Managers of each of the aforesaid Libraries, such an annual Sum as may be equal in Value to and a Compensation for the Loss which any such Library may sustain by reason of the said Act being repealed, so far as relates to such Library; such annual Compensation to be ascertained and determined according to the Value of the Books which may have been actually received by each such Library, in such Manner as the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury or any Three or more of them shall direct, upon an Average of the Three Years ending the Thirtieth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six.

Application of the Compensation.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Person or Persons or Body Politic or Corporate, Proprietors or Managers of the Library for the Use whereof any such Book would have been delivered, shall and they are hereby required to apply the annual Compensation hereby authorized to be made in the Purchase of Books of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for the Use of and to be kept and preserved in such Library: Provided always, that it shall not be lawful for the said Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury to direct the Issue of any Sum of Money for such annual Compensation until sufficient Proof shall have been adduced before him or them of the Application of the Money last issued to the Purpose aforesaid.

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