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CHAPTER 10.

An Act for settling and securing an Annuity upon the Right Honourable Arthur Wellesley Peel in consideration of his eminent Services. [14th May 1895.] A.D. 1895.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WHEREAS the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland did, by an humble address to Your Majesty, pray Your Majesty that you would be graciously pleased to confer some signal mark of your royal favour upon the Right Honourable Arthur Wellesley Peel, Speaker of the House of Commons, for his eminent services during the important period in which he had with such distinguished ability and dignity presided in the Chair of the House, and did assure Your Majesty that whatever expense Your Majesty should think proper to be incurred upon that account the said House would make good the same:

And whereas Your Majesty in answer to the said address was graciously pleased to declare that Your Majesty was desirous, in compliance with the wishes of your faithful Commons, to confer upon the said Right Honourable Arthur Wellesley Peel some signal mark of your royal favour, but as the same could not be effectually granted and secured without the concurrence of Parliament, Your Majesty recommended to the House of Commons the adoption of such measures as might be necessary for the accomplishment of that purpose:

Now we, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, have resolved that the annual sum of four thousand pounds be granted to Your Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, to begin upon the day upon which the Right Honourable Arthur Wellesley Peel, late Speaker of the House of Commons, ceased to hold the office of Speaker of the House of Commons, to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon, and to continue during the life of, him the said Right Honourable Arthur Wellesley Peel, and do most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the

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advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

Annuity of 4,000*l.* to be paid to the Right Honourable Arthur Wellesley Peel.

1. One annuity of four thousand pounds shall be charged upon and payable quarterly out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, or the growing produce thereof, to the Right Honourable Arthur Wellesley Peel, during his natural life, beginning on the day upon which he ceased to hold the office of Speaker of the House of Commons; provided that one half of the annuity shall abate and be suspended during any period that the said Right Honourable Arthur Wellesley Peel hereafter holds any place, office, or employment under Her Majesty of equal or greater amount in salary, profits, or emolument than the amount of the annuity.

Treasury to direct payment of annuity.

2. The Treasury are hereby authorised and required by warrants under their hands to direct the payment of the said annuity according to the provisions of this Act.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as Mr. Speaker's Retirement Act, 1895.

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