so appointed and empowered as aforesaid may and shall, and he and of Hertford, into they is and are hereby authorized to affign and transfer the faid Sum the Names of of One thousand Pounds Capital Stock, now standing in the Books any other Per-of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, from the fons, and receive the Dividends. Name of the Principal and Fellows of Hertford College, Oxford, into the Name of any other Person or Persons; and also to receive and give proper Receipts and Discharges for all such Dividends upon the said Capital Stock, as are or shall be due and in arrear; any Law, Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

II. And be it further enacted, That the faid Governor and Com- Bank indempany of the Bank of England, and their Successors, shall be, and nifed. they are hereby held harmless and indemnified from and against all Claims and Demands of or by any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, for or by reason or in consequence of the Transfer of the faid Sum of One thousand Pounds Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities, hereinbefore authorized and directed to be transferred, or in any manner respecting the same, or for or by reason or in consequence of the Payment by the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England, of the Dividends hereinbefore directed to be received; and the faid Governor and Company of the Bank of England shall not be required to see to the Application of the faid Dividends, nor be in any manner responsible for the Misapplication or Nonapplication thereof.

CAP. XCVI.

An Act for establishing an Agreement with the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, for advancing the Sum of Three Millions, for the Service of the Year One thoufand eight hundred and fixteen. [26th June 1816.]

 Most Gracious Sovereign, WHEREAS the Governor and Company of the Bank of England are willing and contented to advance the Sum of 4 Three Millions Sterling for the Public Service, in the manner and upon the Terms and Conditions hereinafter mentioned, upon the I faid Governor and Company being authorized and empowered by · Parliament to increase their Capital Stock, which now confits of Eleven millions fix hundred and forty-two thousand four hundred Pounds to Fourteen millions five hundred and fifty-three thoufand Pounds, and that the proposed Encrease of Two millions onine hundred and ten thousand six hundred Pounds may be appropriated amongst the Proprietors of Bank Stock at the Rate of • Twenty five Pounds for every One hundred Pounds of Bank Stock which they respectively held on the Twenty-third Day of May One thousand eight hundred and sixteen, and, until Repayment to the faid Governor and Company of the faid Sum of Three Millions, upon the Promissory Notes of the said Governor and Company, expressed to be payable to Bearer on Demand, being received in Payment of all Sums of Money which now are or fhall become payable for any Part of the Public Revenue, and being accepted by the Collectors, Receivers and other Officers of the Revenue authorized to receive the same if offered to be so e paid, fractional Parts of Twenty Shillings only excepted; and 4 that in consideration of the above proposed Encrease of the Capital

Ii4

Digitized by GOOGIC

of Bank Stock, and of the Notes of the said Governor and Company being received in Payment of every Branch of the Public Revenue as aforefaid, the faid Governor and Company shall advance 4 the faid Sum of Three Millions Sterling for the Public Service, to be paid on fuch Days during the present Year, and in such e manner as Parliament shall direct and appoint, the Repayment thereof to be secured with Interest at the Rate of Three per Cent. per Annum payable annually, and to be repaid at fuch Period as Parliament shall direct and appoint, not beyond the First Day of · August One thousand eight hundred and thirty three, and to be charged and chargeable upon and to be repaid out of the Confo-' lidated Fund, unless otherwise provided for by Parliament:' Now we, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament affembled, being defirous to raife with as much Eafe and Advantage as possible to Your Subjects the necessary Supplies, and to encourage the faid Governor and Company to advance the faid Sum of Three Millions, do most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by The King's Most Excellent Majetty, 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 it shall and may be lawful to and for the faid Governor and Company, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, on or before the Tenth Day of Ollober One thousand eight hundred and fixteen, to advance and lend to His Majesty, at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, upon the Credit of the Consolidated Fund, the Sum of Three Millions Sterling at an Interest of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, such Interest to be payable annually to the faid Governor and Company at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, any thing contained in any Act or Acts of Parliament to the contrary notwithstanding.

Bank to advance 3,000,000l. at Three per Cent.

Interest to be paid yearly.

Time of Repayment of Principal.

Capital Stock of the Bank encreased:

II. And be it further enacted, That the Repayment of the faid Sum of Three Millions and the Interest thereof at the Rate aforesaid, he and the same is hereby charged and made chargeable upon the Consolidated Fund, unless otherwise provided for by Parliament, and that such Interest shall be paid annually to the said Governor and Company, at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer; the First annual Payment thereof to commence and be made within Ten Days after the Expiration of One Year from the time when the faid Sum of Three Millions shall have been advanced by the faid Governor and Company as authorized and directed by this Act; and that the faid Sum of Three Millions with all Arrears of Interest thereon shall be repaid to the said Governor and Company at such time or times as Parliament shall direct or appoint, but so as such Repayment of the said Principal Sum with all Arrears of Interest thereon shall be made and completed on or before the First Day of August One thousand eight hundred and thirty-three.

III. And be it further enacted, That in confideration of the faid Advance of Three Millions for the Public Service as aforefaid, the Capital Stock of the faid Governor and Company be and the fame is hereby encreased and extended from the Sum of Eleven millions fix hundred and forty two thousand four hundred Pounds, of which the same now confists, to the Sum of Fourteen millions five hundred and fifty three thousand Pounds, making an Encrease or Addition of

C. 96.

489

Two millions nine hundred and ten thousand six hundred Pounds Capital Stock, and that the faid Sum of Two millions nine hundred To be divided and ten thousand fix hundred Pounds Capital Stock shall be ap- among the Propropriated and divided amongst the several Persons, Bodies Politic prietors, after the Rate of 251. and Corporate, who were Proprietors of Bank Stock on the Twenty for every 100L third Day of May One thousand eight hundred and fixteen, at Bank Stock. the Rate of Twenty five Pounds for every One hundred Pounds of Bank Stock which fuch Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, were then respectively Proprietors of or had standing in their respective Names in the Books kept by the faid Governor and Company for the Entry and Transfer of such Stock, and so in Proportion for a greater or lesser Sum, and such Division and Appropriation shall be placed to the Credit of the respective Names of such Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, in the Books of the said Governor and Company accordingly; and all fuch Perfons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, shall from the time of such Division and Appropriation be lawfully entitled to the additional Sum of Bank Stock so placed in or to the Credit of their respective Names, and shall respectively be entitled to be paid the same Rate of Dividend thereon, and to possess and enjoy the same Profits, Privileges and Advantages in respect thereof, in like manner to all Intents and Purposes as they were entitled to be paid, possess and enjoy in respect of the Bank Stock which stood in their respective Names on the said Twenty third Day of May One thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

IV. And be it further enacted, That until Repayment to the faid Bank Notes to Governor and Company of the faid Sum of Three Millions and all be received in Interest to become due thereon, the Promissory Notes of the said Governor and Company, expressed to be payable to Bearer on Demand (called Bank Notes), shall be received in Payment of all Sums of Money which now are or at any time hereafter shall become payable for or in respect of any Part of the Public Revenue, and shall be accepted and received 'accordingly by all Collectors, Receivers and other Officers of the Revenue authorized to receive the same if offered to be so paid, fractional Parts of Twenty Shillings only

excepted.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Capital Stock of the faid Encreased Capi-Governor and Company of the Bank of England so encreased as transferred in aforefaid shall be assignable and transferrable in the same manner as same manner as the original Capital Stock of the said Governor and Company was the Original affignable and transferrable before the making of this Act, and together with the Produce thereof shall be free from Parliamentary Taxes, Charges and Impositions, and all other Taxes, Charges and Impositions whatsoever; and the Transfers or Assignments of Stock or additional Stock in the Books of the faid Company shall not hereafter be or be made liable to any higher or greater Stamp or other Duties than are now payable for the Transfers or Assignments of their present Stock, or any Part thereof; any thing in this Act contained or in any other Act or Acts of Parliament to the contrary in anywife notwithstanding.

Payment of the Public Revenue.

