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At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the Eighteenth day of November, 1806, in the Forty-seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great-Britain, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. being the Firth Session of the Ninth General Assembly, convened in the said Province.

47 George III – Chapter 14

An Act for granting an Annuity to John Newton, Esq. one of the Collectors of Impost and Excise, for the District of Halifax.

Whereas, John Newton, Esq. by reason of his age and infirmities, is no longer able to discharge the duties of a collector of impost for the district of Halifax:

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, that from and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seven, the said John Newton shall be, and he is hereby declared to be, thenceforth, discharged from the said office of collector of impost and excise, for the district of Halifax.

II. And be it further enacted, that there shall be granted and paid, out of the treasury of this province, unto the said John Newton, or his assigns, during the term of his natural life, an annuity, or pension, of two hundred pounds per annum, from the said first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seven; to be paid quarterly, by warrant for that purpose, to be drawn by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being.