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Upon his return Paterson became instrumental in the Act of Union.

He was much employed in settling the financial relations of the two countries, and one of the last acts of the Scots parliament was to recommend him to the consideration of Queen Anne for all he had done and suffered. The United Parliament, to which he was returned as a member for the Dumfries burghs, though he never took his seat, decided that his claim (for losses due to the Darien Scheme) should be settled, but it was not until 1715 that an indemnity of £18,241 was ordered to be paid him. Even then he found considerable difficulty in obtaining his due. His last years were spent in Queen Square, Westminster, but he removed from there shortly before his death on the 22nd of January 1719.

The present pamphlet set out the argument against Paterson receiving any compensation for his involvement in the Darien Scheme.

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