Anno triceſimo

Georgii II. Regis.

An Act for granting an Aid to His Majeſty by a Land Tax, to be raiſed in *Great Britain*, for the Service of the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty ſeven; and for diſcharging certain Arrears of Land Taxes incurred before the Time therein mentioned; and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears for the future.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,



WE, Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Great Britain in Parliament aſſembled, taking into our ſerious Conſideration ſuch Expences as are abſolutely neceſſary for ſupporting Your Majeſty's Government, and being reſolved to ſupply the ſame, have for that End and Purpoſe chearfully and voluntarily given and granted, and do by this Act give and grant unto Your Majeſty the ſeveral and reſpective Rates and Aſſeſſments hereafter mentioned; and do moſt humbly beſeech Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's moſt Preamble.

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 the Sum of Two millions thirty seven thousand eight hundred seventy four pounds, one shilling, and ten pence, shall be raised, levied, and paid unto His Majesty, within the Kingdom of Great Britain, by such Proportions, and in such Manner and Form, as hereafter in this Act are expressed.

2,037,874 *l.* 1 *s.* and 10 *d.* to be raised in *Great Britain.*

And it is hereby declared and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Sum of One million nine hundred eighty nine thousand nine hundred twenty pounds, and eight pence, Part of the said Sum of Two millions thirty seven thousand eight hundred seventy four pounds, one shilling, and ten pence, shall be raised, levied, and paid unto His Majesty within the Space of One Year, from the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and shall be assessed and taxed in the several Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and Places of England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, according to the Proportions, in Manner following; that is to say,

1,989,920 *l.* and 8 *d.* to be raised in *England*, in one Year, from 25 *March*, 1757.

FOR the Town of Bedford, the Sum of Six hundred and ninety two pounds, eleven shillings, and one penny.

For the rest of the County of Bedford, the Sum of Twenty seven thousand eight hundred and sixty two pounds, three shillings, and ten pence halfpenny.

For the Borough of New Windsor, and the Castle there, the Sum of Nine hundred seventy eight pounds, ten shillings.

For the rest of the County of Berks, the Sum of Thirty nine thousand eight hundred sixty five pounds, nine shillings, and five pence.

For the Borough of Bucks, with Borton, Borton-hold, Prebend-end, Gaweott, and Lendborough, the Sum of Six hundred thirteen pounds, and five pence halfpenny.

For the Borough of Wicomb, the Sum of Three hundred fifty eight pounds, seventeen shillings, and six pence.

For the rest of the County of Bucks, the Sum of Forty six thousand one hundred seventy pounds, thirteen shillings, and eight pence halfpenny.

For the University of Cambridge, the Sum of One hundred pounds.

For the Town of Cambridge, the Sum of Two thousand seven hundred forty six pounds, three shillings, and one penny.

For the Isle of Ely, the Sum of Eight thousand and eight pounds, five shillings, and seven pence halfpenny.

For the rest of the County of Cambridge, the Sum of Twenty one thousand eight hundred seventy eight pounds, six shillings, and ten pence halfpenny.

For the City and County of the City of Chester, the Sum of One thousand five hundred eighty four pounds, and seven shillings.

For the County of Chester, the Sum of Twenty seven thousand and fourteen pounds, eighteen shillings, and ten pence halfpenny.

For the County of Cornwall, the Sum of Thirty one thousand nine hundred forty three pounds, and one shilling.

For the County of Cumberland, the Sum of Three thousand seven hundred thirteen pounds, eighteen shillings, and two pence halfpenny.

For the County of Derby, the Sum of Twenty four thousand ninety three pounds, nineteen shillings, and nine pence halfpenny.

For the City and County of the City of Exon, the Sum of Four thousand seven hundred and eight pounds, and five pence halfpenny.

For the County of Devon, the Sum of Seventy seven thousand eight hundred seventy five pounds, two shillings, and ten pence halfpenny.

For the Town and County of the Town of Poole, the Sum of Three hundred twenty eight pounds, and two shillings.

For the County of Dorset, the Sum of Thirty two thousand seven hundred fifty one pounds, fifteen shillings, and ten pence halfpenny.

For the County of Durham, the Sum of Ten thousand five hundred ninety seven pounds, fourteen shillings, and five pence halfpenny.

For the West Riding of the County of York, the Sum of Thirty nine thousand three hundred sixty two pounds, one shilling, and one penny.

For the North Riding of the County of York, the Sum of Twenty six thousand three hundred forty seven pounds, nineteen shillings, and eight pence.

For the East Riding of the County of York, the Sum of Nineteen thousand one hundred eleven pounds, two shillings, and eleven pence.

For the City of York, and County of the same City, the Sum of Four thousand six hundred nineteen pounds, eighteen shillings, and eight pence.

For the Town and County of the Town of Kingston upon Hull, the Sum of Two thousand fifty three pounds, two shillings, and four pence.

For the Town of Maldon in the County of Essex, the Sum of Five hundred eighty four pounds, and eighteen shillings.

For the Town of Colchester, the Sum of Two thousand eight hundred forty five pounds, six shillings, and three pence.

For the Town of Harwich and Dover Court, the Sum of Four hundred and three pounds, thirteen shillings.

For the rest of the County of Essex, the Sum of Eighty five thousand five hundred sixty three pounds, nine shillings, and five pence.

For the City and County of the City of Gloucester, the Sum of One thousand three hundred ninety six pounds, four shillings, and eight pence.

For the whole County of Gloucester, the Sum of Forty five thousand nine hundred forty two pounds, sixteen shillings, and four pence.

For the City of Hereford, the Sum of Seven hundred sixty three pounds, seventeen shillings, and four pence.

For the Borough of Leominster, the Sum of Three hundred thirty three pounds, fifteen shillings, and eight pence.

For the rest of the whole County of Hereford, the Sum of Nineteen thousand three hundred eleven pounds, thirteen shillings, and eight pence.

For the Borough of St. Albans in the County of Hertford, the Sum of Seven hundred seventy four pounds, and two shillings.

For the rest of the whole County of Hertford, the Sum of Forty one thousand five hundred ninety seven pounds, and six pence.

For the Town of Huntingdon, the Sum of Four hundred thirty two pounds, twelve shillings, and eight pence.

For the rest of the County of Huntingdon, the Sum of Fifteen thousand and sixty four pounds, twelve shillings, and four pence.

For the City and County of the City of Canterbury, the Sum of One thousand six hundred fifty two pounds, one penny, and one third part of a penny.

For the Town and Liberty of Dover, the Sum of One thousand nine hundred twenty three pounds, thirteen shillings, and nine pence.

For the Town of Folkstone, the Sum of One hundred forty four pounds, and nineteen shillings.

For the Town of Fordwich, the Sum of Seventy seven pounds, and eight shillings.

For the Town of Feversham, the Sum of Five hundred nineteen pounds, ten shillings, and three pence.

For the Town of Tenterden, the Sum of Eight hundred sixty three pounds, and two shillings.

For the Town and Liberty of Sandwich, the Sum of Nine hundred ninety one pounds, sixteen shillings, and six pence.

For the Town and Port of New-Romney, the Sum of Two hundred forty nine pounds, and seventeen shillings.

For the Town of Lydd, the Sum of Seven hundred sixty nine pounds, nineteen shillings, and six pence.

For the Town and Port of Hythe, and West Hythe, within the Liberty of the said Town and Port, the Sum of Two hundred thirty six pounds, and fourteen shillings.

For the rest of the whole County of Kent, the Sum of Seventy five thousand one hundred twenty four pounds, four shillings, and four pence.

For the County of Lancaster, the Sum of Twenty thousand nine hundred eighty nine pounds, fourteen shillings, and six pence halfpenny.

For the Borough of Leicester, the Sum of Six hundred thirty nine pounds, and twelve shillings.

For the rest of the County of Leicester, the Sum of Thirty four thousand and forty five pounds, ten shillings, and one penny halfpenny.

For the County of Lincoln, with the City and County of the City of Lincoln, the Sum of Seventy one thousand nine hundred seven pounds, and eight pence.

For the City of London, the Sum of One hundred twenty three thousand three hundred ninety nine pounds, six shillings, and seven pence.

For Serjeant's-Inn in Chancery-Lane, the Sum of Thirty one pounds, and four shillings.

For the Inner Temple, and Inns of Chancery thereunto belonging, the Sum of Four hundred pounds.

For the Middle Temple, and Inns of Chancery thereunto belonging, the Sum of Two hundred seventy two pounds, and sixteen shillings.

For the Society of Lincoln's-Inn, and Inns of Chancery thereunto belonging, the Sum of Three hundred forty one pounds, seven shillings, and six pence.

For Gray's-Inn, and the Inns of Chancery thereunto belonging, the Sum of Two hundred fifty two pounds, thirteen shillings, and four pence.

For the Palaces of Whitehall and Saint James, the Sum of Thirty thousand seven hundred fifty four pounds, six shillings, and three pence.

For

For the City of Westminster, and Liberties thereof, and Offices executed in Westminster-Hall, the Sum of Sixty three thousand and ninety two pounds, one shilling, and five pence.

For the rest of the County of Middlesex, the Sum of One hundred and seven thousand six hundred and two pounds, eleven shillings, and seven pence.

For the County of Monmouth, the Sum of Nine thousand eight hundred and twelve pounds, six shillings, and five pence halfpenny.

For the City and County of the City of Norwich, the Sum of Eight thousand five hundred eighteen pounds, eleven shillings, and eleven pence.

For the Borough of Great Yarmouth, the Sum of Two thousand eight hundred twenty pounds, three shillings, and one penny.

For the Borough of King's-Lynn, the Sum of One thousand eight hundred fourteen pounds, and fourteen shillings.

For so much of the Borough of Thetford as lies in the County of Norfolk, the Sum of Two hundred and thirty nine pounds.

For the rest of the County of Norfolk, the Sum of Seventy thousand nine hundred fourteen pounds, six shillings, and six pence halfpenny.

For the Town of Northampton, the Sum of Eight hundred thirty pounds, seven shillings, and ten pence.

For the rest of the County of Northampton, the Sum of Forty six thousand eight hundred thirty nine pounds, three shillings, and seven pence.

For the Town and County of the Town of Newcastle upon Tyne, the Sum of Two thousand five hundred eighty pounds, sixteen shillings, and four pence.

For the Town of Berwick upon Tweed, the Sum of One hundred forty five pounds, and three shillings.

For the County of Northumberland, the Sum of Eleven thousand eight hundred twenty two pounds, and eighteen shillings.

For the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham, the Sum of One thousand six hundred fourteen pounds, ten shillings, and seven pence halfpenny.

For the County of Nottingham, the Sum of Twenty five thousand six hundred sixty two pounds, and two pence.

For the University of Oxon, the Sum of One hundred eleven pounds, seventeen shillings, and two pence.

For the City of Oxon, the Sum of Three thousand four hundred forty four pounds, six shillings, and three pence.

For the rest of the County of Oxon, the Sum of Thirty five thousand one hundred ninety five pounds, sixteen shillings, four pence, and ten twelfth parts of a penny.

For the County of Rutland, the Sum of Five thousand five hundred twenty five pounds, three shillings, and ten pence halfpenny.

For the Town of Ludlow, the Sum of Two hundred twenty six pounds, and two shillings.

For the County of Salop, the Sum of Twenty eight thousand eight hundred thirty pounds, seventeen shillings, and one penny halfpenny.

For the City and County of the City of Bristol, the Sum of Seven thousand three hundred ninety one pounds, ten shillings, and eight pence.

For the City of Bath, the Sum of Four hundred forty three pounds, and six shillings.

For the City of Wells, the Sum of Four hundred eighty one pounds, seventeen shillings, and six pence.

For the Borough of Bridgwater, and Haygrove-Tything, the Sum of Three hundred sixty six pounds, and five shillings.

For the rest of the County of Somerset, the Sum of Sixty three thousand seven hundred ninety pounds, four shillings, and four pence.

For the Town and County of the Town of Southampton, the Sum of Seven hundred ninety four pounds, ten shillings, and one penny.

For the Isle of Wight, the Sum of Six thousand two hundred seventy three pounds, and sixteen shillings.

For the rest of the County of Southampton, the Sum of Forty seven thousand eight hundred ninety one pounds, six shillings, and eleven pence, and five six parts of a penny.

For the City and County of the City of Litchfield, the Sum of Four hundred twenty pounds, nineteen shillings, and four pence.

For the County of Stafford, the Sum of Twenty six thousand seven hundred pounds, three shillings, and ten pence.

For the Town of Ipswich, the Sum of Two thousand sixty one pounds, three shillings, and six pence.

For the Borough of Bury Saint Edmonds, the Sum of Two thousand one hundred and six pounds, and three shillings.

For the Borough of Dunwich, the Sum of Forty pounds, three shillings, and six pence.

For the Borough of Eye, the Sum of Five hundred and two pounds.

For the Borough of Sudbury, the Sum of Five hundred and six pounds, eight shillings, and eight pence.

For so much of the Borough of Thetford as lies in Suffolk, the Sum of Seventy nine pounds, and four shillings.

For the rest of the County of Suffolk, the Sum of Sixty eight thousand two hundred eleven pounds, and four pence, and two third parts of a penny.

For the County of Surrey, the Sum of Sixty six thousand one hundred thirty two pounds, nineteen shillings, and six pence halfpenny.

For the Town and Port of Hastings, and Liberties thereof, the Sum of Three hundred seventy eight pounds, and six shillings.

For the Liberty of Seaford, the Sum of One hundred forty one pounds, and eighteen shillings.

For the Liberty of Pevensey, the Sum of One thousand eighty eight pounds, and ten shillings.

For the Town and Parish of Rye, the Sum of Four hundred seventy three pounds, and eighteen shillings.

For the Town of Winchelsea, the Sum of Four hundred and five pounds.

For the rest of the County of Sussex, the Sum of Fifty seven thousand six hundred and three pounds, eighteen shillings, and seven pence.

For the City and County of the City of Coventry, the Sum of Two thousand four hundred sixty three pounds, fourteen shillings, and nine pence.

For the County of Warwick, the Sum of Thirty seven thousand three hundred twenty five pounds, nineteen shillings, and seven pence.

For the City and County of the City of Worcester, the Sum of Two thousand two hundred twenty eight pounds, seventeen shillings, and eight pence.

For the County of Worcester, the Sum of Thirty one thousand three hundred fifty three pounds, nine shillings, and three pence.

For the City of New Sarum, the Close of the same, and Clarendon Park, the Sum of One thousand nine hundred thirty five pounds, sixteen shillings, and six pence.

For the rest of the County of Wilts, the Sum of Forty nine thousand seven hundred twenty one pounds, eleven shillings, and five pence.

For

For the County of Westmorland, the Sum of Three thousand and forty five pounds, three shillings, and nine pence halfpenny.

For the Isle of Anglesea, the Sum of One thousand six hundred thirty three pounds, seven shillings, and eleven pence.

For the Borough of Brecon, the Sum of One hundred seventy seven pounds, nineteen shillings, and eight pence.

For the rest of the County of Brecon, the Sum of Two thousand eight hundred seventy three pounds, eighteen shillings, and four pence.

For the County of Cardigan, the Sum of One thousand three hundred seventy two pounds, sixteen shillings, and two pence.

For the County-Borough of Carmarthen, the Sum of Two hundred twenty nine pounds, eighteen shillings, and eight pence.

For the County of Carmarthen, the Sum of Four thousand one hundred forty pounds, three shillings, and eleven pence halfpenny.

For the County of Carnarvon, the Sum of Two thousand three hundred thirty seven pounds, six shillings, and seven pence.

For the County of Denbigh, the Sum of Six thousand eight hundred pounds.

For the County of Flint, the Sum of Two thousand three hundred fourteen pounds, and seventeen shillings.

For the County of Glamorgan, the Sum of Seven thousand nine hundred and six pounds, nine shillings, and ten pence.

For the County of Merioneth, the Sum of Two thousand four hundred thirty two pounds, fifteen shillings, and ten pence.

For the County of Montgomery, the Sum of Five thousand eight hundred fifty two pounds, eighteen shillings, and four pence.

For the County of Pembroke, the Sum of Two thousand nine hundred ninety seven pounds, seventeen shillings, and eight pence halfpenny.

For the County of Radnor, the Sum of Two thousand six hundred ninety two pounds, and six shillings.

For the Town and County of the Town of Haverford-west, the Sum of One hundred seventy four pounds, seventeen shillings, and four pence.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That towards raising the said several and respective Sums

Personal Estates (except desperate Debts, Stock on Land, Houshold Goods, and Loans to His Majesty) to pay 4 s. in the Pound.

Sums of Money, hereby charged on the respective Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and other Places, in that Part of Great Britain called England, Wales, and Berwick, as aforesaid, all and every Person and Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, Guilds, and Fraternities, within the same respectively, having any Estate in ready Money, or in any Debts whatsoever, owing to them within Great Britain, or without, or having any Estate in Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, or other Chattles, or Personal Estate whatsoever, within Great Britain, or without, belonging to, or in trust for, them (except and out of the Premisses deducted such Sums as he, she, or they do bona fide owe, and such Debts owing to them, as shall be adjudged desperate by the respective Commissioners appointed by this Act; and also except the Stock upon Lands, and such Goods as are used for Houshold-stuff, and also except such Loans and Debts as are or shall be owing from His Majesty to any Person or Persons) shall yield and pay unto His Majesty, the Sum of Four Shillings in the Pound, according to the true yearly Value thereof, for One Year, (that is to say) For every One hundred Pounds of such ready Money and Debts, and for every One hundred Pounds Worth of such Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes, or other Chattles or Personal Estate, the Sum of Twenty Shillings, and so after that Rate for every greater or less Sum, or Quantity, to be assessed, levied, and collected, in Manner herein after mentioned; and that all

Employments of Profit (except Military Officers of the Army or Navy) to pay 4 s. per Pound.

and every Person and Persons, and all and every Commissioner and Commissioners, having, using, or exercising any publick Office or Employment of Profit, in England, Wales, or Berwick as aforesaid, and all and every their Clerks, Agents, Secondaries, Substitutes, and other inferior Ministers whatsoever (such Military Officers who are or shall be in Muster by the Muster-master General of His Majesty's Army, or in Pay in His Majesty's Army or Navy, in respect of such Offices only, excepted) shall, towards raising the said respective Sums before in this Act charged upon the respective Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and other Places of England, Wales, and Berwick as aforesaid, yield and pay unto His Majesty the Sum of Four Shillings for every Twenty Shillings, which he, she, or they do receive in One Year, by virtue of any Salaries, Gratuities, Bounty-money, Rewards, Fees, Profits, Perquisites, or Advantages whatsoever, to him, her, or them accruing, for or by Reason or Occasion of such their several Offices or Employments, without any Allowance, Deduction, or Abatement whatsoever; and that all and every

Person and Persons, Guilds, Fraternities, Bodies Politick and Corporate, having an Annuity, Pension, Stipend, or other yearly Payment, either out of the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer in England, or out of any Branch of His Majesty's Revenue in England, Wales, or Berwick, or payable, or secured to be paid, by any Person or Persons whatsoever, in England, Wales, or Berwick (not being or issuing out of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or charged upon the same, touching which other Directions are given by this Act, and not being Annuities or yearly Payments, which, by any Act or Acts of Parliament made, or to be made, are or shall be especially exempted from the Payment of Taxes or Aids) shall, towards raising the said respective Sums before by this Act charged upon the respective Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and other Places of England, Wales, or Berwick, as aforesaid, yield and pay unto His Majesty the Sum of Four Shillings for every Twenty Shillings by the Year, for every such Annuity, Pension, Stipend, or yearly Payment respectively, and after that Rate for One whole Year: The said several Rates and Sums of Money hereby granted, to be assessed, imposed, levied, and collected, in such Manner as herein after is mentioned. Pensions and Annuities out of the Exchequer, &c. to pay, &c.

And to the end the full and entire Sum by this Act charged upon the several Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and Places respectively, of England, Wales, and Berwick, as aforesaid, may be fully and completely raised and paid to His Majesty's Use; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every Manors, Messuages, Lands, and Tenements; and also all Quarries, Mines of Coal, Tin, and Lead, Copper, Mundick, Iron, and other Mines, Iron-mills, Furnaces, and other Iron-works, Salt-springs, and Salt-works, all Allom-mines and Works; all Parks, Chaces, Warrens, Woods, Underwoods, Coppices, and all Fishings, Tithes, Tolls, Annuities, and all other yearly Profits; and all Hereditaments, of what Nature or Kind soever they be, situate, lying and being, happening or arising, within the several and respective Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, or Places aforesaid respectively, or within any Parts of the same, as well within ancient Demesne, and other Liberties and privileged Places, as without, within that Part of Great Britain called England, Wales, or Berwick, as aforesaid; and all and every Person and Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, Guilds, Mysteries, Fraternities, and Brotherhoods, whether Corporate or not Corporate, having or holding any such Manors, Messuages, Lands, Lands, Tenements, Mines, &c.

to be charged with Equality and Indifference, &c.

Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or other the Premisses, in respect thereof, shall be charged with as much Equality and Indifference as is possible, by a Pound-rate, for or towards the said several and respective Sums by this Act set or imposed, or intended to be set and imposed, for and upon all and every such Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, or other Places hereby charged therewith as aforesaid, so that by the said Rates so to be tared or assessed, for or upon the said ready Money, Debts, Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, Chattles, or Personal Estates, and for and upon the said Offices and Employments of Profit, and for and upon the Pensions, Annuities, Stipends, or yearly Payments aforesaid, and for and upon the said Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and other the Premisses, according to the Purport and true Meaning of this present Act, the full and entire Sums hereby appointed to be raised in England, Wales, and Berwick as aforesaid, shall be completely and effectually tared, assessed, levied, and collected, and shall be paid into the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, by Four quarterly Payments; the First Payment thereof to be made on or before the Twenty fourth Day of June, which shall be in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven.

Lands, &c. subject to Rent-charges, Annuities, &c.

And whereas many of the Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Tithes, Hereditaments, and Premisses, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, intended by this Act to be charged with the Pound-rate as aforesaid, stand incumbered with, or are subject or liable to, the Payment of several Rent-charges or Annuities, or other annual Payments issuing out of the same, or to the Payment of divers Fee-farm Rents, Rent-service, or other Rents thereupon reserved or charged, by reason whereof the true Owners and Proprietors of such Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, do not in truth receive to their own Use the true yearly Value of the same, for which nevertheless they are by this Act chargeable with a certain Pound-rate; it is therefore declared and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Landlords, Owners, and Proprietors of such Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premisses, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, being charged with a Pound-rate as aforesaid, to abate and deduct, and to detain and keep in his, her, or their Hands, out of every such Fee-farm Rent, or other annual Rent or Payment, so much of the said Pound-rate, which shall be tared or assessed upon

upon the said Manors, Messuages, Lands, and Premisses, as a like Rate for every such Fee-farm Rent, or other annual Rent or Payment respectively, shall by a just Proportion amount unto, so as such Fee-farm Rent, or other annual Rent or Payment respectively, do amount unto Twenty Shillings per Annum, or more; and all and every Person or Persons, who are or shall be any ways intitled to such Rents or annual Payments, their respective Auditors, Reeves, Receivers, and their Deputy or Deputies, are hereby required to allow such Deductions and Payments, according to such Rates, upon Receipt of the Residue of such Monies as shall be due and payable to them for such Rents or annual Payments reserved or charged as aforesaid, without any Fee or Charge for such Allowance.

Commissioners of the Land Tax for the Years 1748, 1749, 1751, and 1755, to put this Act in Execution.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That for the better assessing, ordering, levying, and collecting of the several Sums of Money, so as aforesaid limited and appointed to be raised and paid in the aforesaid Part of Great Britain called England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, and for the more effectual putting of this Act in Execution in Reference to the same, all and every the Person and Persons, who in and by the Act of Parliament made and passed in the Twenty first Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in *Great Britain*, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and forty eight; and by One other Act of Parliament of the Twenty second Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rectifying Mistakes in the Names of several of the Commissioners appointed to put in Execution the Act for granting a Land Tax for the Year One thousand seven hundred and forty eight; and for appointing other Commissioners, together with those named in the said Act, to put in Execution an Act for granting a Land Tax for the Year One thousand seven hundred and forty nine; and for directing the Names of Collectors of the said Tax to be certified to the Receivers General; and for Relief of the Borough of *Honiton*, as to Arrears of the Land Tax, and the House and Window Taxes, for the Years One thousand seven hundred and forty seven, and One thousand seven hundred and forty eight; and by One other Act of Parliament of the Twenty fourth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax to be raised in *Great Britain* for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty one; and by One other Act of Parliament

ment of the Twenty eighth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax to be raised in *Great Britain* for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty five; and for the Relief of the Inhabitants of certain Places in the County of *Lincoln*, in respect of the Arrears of the Land Tax, or by any or either of those Acts, or by any other Act to which they, or any of them, have Relation, were named and appointed Commissioners for putting in Execution the same Act, within the several Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Cinque-ports, Towns, and Places of England, Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, being still living, and duly qualifying themselves according to this Act in that Behalf; shall be Commissioners for putting in Execution this present Act, and the Powers therein contained, within and for the same Counties, Ridings, Cities, Boroughs, Cinque-ports, Towns, and Places respectively; which said Commissioners shall put in Execution this present Act, and the Powers therein contained, within and for the same Counties, Ridings, Cities, Boroughs, Cinque-ports, Towns, and Places respectively.

Commissioners to meet on or before the 29th of *April*, 1757.

And be it further enacted and declared, That the several Commissioners aforesaid, shall meet together at the most usual and common Places of Meeting within each of the said Counties, Ridings, Cities, Boroughs, Cinque-ports, Towns, and Places respectively, within England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, for which they are appointed Commissioners as aforesaid, on or before the Twenty ninth Day of April, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and shall meet afterwards in like Manner, as often as it shall be necessary, for putting so much of this Act in Execution, as is hereby committed to their Care and Charge; and the said Commissioners, or so many of them as shall be present at such General Meeting or Meetings, or the major Part of them, are hereby authorized and required to put so much as aforesaid, of this present Act in Execution, and shall ascertain and set down in Writing the several Proportions which ought to be charged upon every Hundred, Lathe, Wapentake, Rape, Ward, or other Division respectively, within England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, for and towards the raising and making up the whole Sum before by this Act charged upon the whole County, City, or other Places for which they are hereby appointed Commissioners, by charging in Proportion to the Sum which were assessed on the same Hundreds or Divisions respectively, by an Act of Parliament made and

passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of Their late Majesties King William and Queen Mary, of blessed Memory, intituled, An Act for granting to Their Majesties an Aid of Four Shillings in the Pound for One Year, for carrying on a vigorous War against *France*) and shall also, if they see Cause, subdivide and distribute themselves, and the other Commissioners not then present, into less Numbers, so as Three or more of the said Commissioners may be appointed for the Service of each Hundred, Lathe, Wapentake, Rape, Ward, or other Division, as may best conduce to the carrying on His Majesty's Services hereby required; nevertheless, not thereby to restrain the said Commissioners, or any of them, from acting as Commissioners in any other Part of the County or Place for which they are appointed.

as by the Act 4 *W. & M.*

and may subdivide themselves, &c.

And, for the more effectual Performance thereof, be it enacted and declared, That the Commissioners at such General Meeting, or the major Part of them then present, shall also agree and set down in Writing, who, and what Number of the said Commissioners shall act in each of the said Divisions or Hundreds, and shall deliver true Copies of such Writings to the Receiver-general, to be appointed by His Majesty, or in pursuance of His Directions, to the end there may be no Failure in any Part of the due Execution of the Service by this Act required: And the said Commissioners within the several Hundreds, Lathes, Wapentakes, Rapes, Wards, or other Divisions, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, or any Two or more of them, are hereby authorized and required to cause the several Proportions charged on the respective Hundreds, Lathes, Wapentakes, Rapes, Wards, or other Divisions, as aforesaid, for or towards the Aid hereby granted, to be equally taxed and assessed within every such Hundred, Lathe, Wapentake, Rape, Ward, or other Division, and within every Parish and Place therein, according to the best of their Judgements and Discretions; and for that End and Purpose to direct their several or joint Precept or Precepts to such Inhabitants, High-constables, Petty-constables, Bailiffs, and other Officers and Ministers, and such Number of them, as they in their Discretions shall think most convenient, to the Presentors and Assessors, requiring them to appear before the said Commissioners at such Place and Time, not exceeding Eight Days after the Date of such Precept, as they shall appoint; and at such their Appearances, the said Commissioners, or such of them as shall be then present, shall openly read, or cause to be read unto them, the several Rates,

A List of the Commissioners to act in each Division, to be given to the Receiver-general.

Commissioners to summon fit Persons to be Assessors, who are to appear before them in 8 Days;

and then to give them a Charge.

Duties, and Charges in this Act mentioned, and openly declare the Effect of their Charge to them, and how, and in what Manner they should and ought to make their said Assessments, and how they ought to proceed in the Execution of this Act, according to the true Meaning of the same. And if any such Constable, Petty-constable, Bailiff, Officer, or Minister, or other Inhabitants, to whom any Precept shall be directed, shall absent themselves without lawful Excuse, to be made out by the Oath of Two or more credible Witnesses (which Oaths the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, are hereby impowered to administer) or if any Officer or Person appearing shall refuse to serve; then every such Officer or Person so making Default, or refusing to serve, shall, for every such Default or Refusal, forfeit or lose to his Majesty such Sum or Sums of Money, as the said Commissioners, or so many of them as shall be present, or the major Part of them being present, shall think fit, not exceeding the Sum of Five Pounds, nor less than Forty Shillings; and at and after such Charge given as aforesaid, the said Commissioners shall take care that Warrants be issued forth, and directed to Two at least of the most able and sufficient Inhabitants of each Parish, Township, or Place, within the respective Divisions thereby appointed, and requiring them to be Assessors of all and every the Rates and Sums of Money by this Act imposed; and shall also therein appoint and prefix a certain Day and Place for the said Assessors to appear before them, and to bring in their Assessments in Writing; which said Assessors are hereby strictly enjoined and required, with all Care and Diligence, to assess the full Sum given them in Charge respectively upon all ready Money, Debts, Personal Estates, Offices, Employments, Annuities, and Pensions, chargeable as aforesaid, according to this Act, and by an equal Pound-rate upon all Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Hereditaments, and other the Premisses, within the Limits, Circuits, and Bounds of the respective Parishes or Places, for which they shall be appointed Assessors as aforesaid; and shall bring with them at the Time and Place, so as aforesaid prefixt for their Appearance, a Certificate in Writing of the said Assessment, and shall then also return the Names of Two or more able and sufficient Persons, living within the Limits and Bounds of those Parishes, Townships, Constablewicks, and Places, where they shall be chargeable respectively, to be Collectors of the Monies which shall be assessed as aforesaid, and to be paid to His Majesty by this

Persons absenting, or refusing to serve, forfeit, not exceeding 5 *l.* nor less than 40 *s.*

Assessors to be Two at least, and sufficient Inhabitants.

Assessments to be brought in at a Day and Place prefixt.

The full Sum charged to be assessed.

A Certificate of the Assessment to be brought in, with the Collectors. Names.

this Act; for whose paying in to the Receiver-general, or his Deputy, in Manner herein after-mentioned, such Monies as they shall be chargeable withal, the Parish or Place wherein they are so employed shall be answerable; and if any Assessor so appointed, or to be appointed, shall neglect or refuse to serve, or shall make Default at the Time appointed for his Appearance, not having lawful Excuse, to be witnessed by the Oaths of Two credible Witnesses (which Oaths the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, have hereby Power to administer) or shall not perform his Duty; every such Assessor shall, for every such Neglect, Refusal, or Default, forfeit and lose to his Majesty such Sum as the Commissioners, or so many of them as shall be present, or the major Part of them shall think fit, not exceeding the Sum of Forty Pounds, and to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattles, in like Manner as by this Act is appointed for levying the several Rates and Assessments herein mentioned, in case of Neglect or Refusal of Payment, and to be charged upon the respective Receivers-general, together with the said Rates and Assessments. And for completeing the whole Sum charged to be raised in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, as aforesaid; and to the end the aforesaid Sums, charged upon the several and respective Counties, Ridings, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and Places, for or towards the same, may be duly collected, and true Accounts thereof made, the said Assessors are hereby required to deliver One Copy of their respective Assessments fairly written, and subscribed by them, unto the said Commissioners, within the Time to be prefixed as aforesaid: And the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, are hereby required and ordered to sign and seal Two Duplicates of the same Assessments; and One of them to deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Two or more honest and responsible Persons to be Collectors, which the said Commissioners are hereby authorized to nominate and appoint for each Parish or Place, with Warrant to the said Collectors to collect the same Assessments, payable as aforesaid, so as the said several Sums may be paid to the Receiver-general at the respective Times hereby limited: And the said Commissioners are hereby also required, at the same Time to give the said Collectors Notice at what Time or Times, Place or Places, the Appeals of any Person or Persons, who shall think themselves aggrieved by being over-rated by the said Assessors, may be heard and determined; which Day or Days of Appeal, so to be appointed by the said

Assessors, &c. neglecting their Duty, to be fined not above 40 l.

Assessors to deliver One Copy of the Assessments to the Commissioners.

Duplicates thereof to be signed, &c. and One delivered to the Collectors, &c. with Warrant for collecting.

Commissioners required to give Collectors Notice at what Time and Place the Appeals of any Person who shall think himself aggrieved by being over-rated, may be heard and determined.

said Commissioners, shall be at least Thirty Days from the Time of signing, sealing, and delivering the said Duplicates to the said Collectors; and every such Collector is hereby also required, within Ten Days after the Receipt of such Duplicates from the said Commissioners, to cause publick Notice to be given in every Parish Church, or Chapel of Ease, belonging to any such Parish, within his District or Division, immediately after Divine Service on the Lord's Day, (if any such Divine Service shall be performed therein within that Time) of the Time and Place so appointed by the said Commissioners for hearing and determining Appeals as aforesaid; and shall also cause the like Notices to be fixed in Writing upon the Door of each of the said respective Parish Churches, or Chapels of Ease, belonging to any such Parishes, on the same Day, that all Persons who shall think themselves over-rated may know when and where to make their Appeal to the said Commissioners; and the said Collectors are hereby also required, upon the Application of any Person or Persons who shall think himself or themselves over-rated to the said Rates and Assessments, to permit such Person or Persons, or their Stewards or Bailiffs, or other proper Representatives, to inspect the Duplicates of such Rates or Assessments upon the Division or District of which he is Collector, at all seasonable Times in the Day, without any Fee or Reward for the same; and every Person so intending to appeal to the said Commissioners, shall and he is hereby required to give Notice thereof in Writing to One or more of the Assessors of the Parish wherein he is rated, of such his Intention to appeal, that such Assessor or Assessors, if they shall think proper, may then and there attend to justify the said Assessment; and it is hereby declared, that all Appeals once heard and determined by the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, or the major Part of them then present, on the Day or Days by them appointed for hearing Appeals as aforesaid, shall be final, without any further Appeal upon any Pretence whatsoever: And the said Commissioners are hereby required to deliver, or cause to be delivered, a Schedule or Duplicate in Parchment, under their Hands and Seals, fairly written, containing the whole Sum assessed upon each Parish or Place, unto the Receiver-general of each County, Riding, City, Borough, Town, and Place respectively, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, or his Deputy; and shall transmit, or cause to be transmitted, a like Schedule or Duplicate into the King's Remembrancer's Office of the Exchequer; and this the said Commission-

A Duplicate in Parchment to be delivered to the Receiver-general;

and one to the Remembrancer's Office, by 8 *Aug.* 1757, or 20 Days after (all Appeals first determined.)

ers shall cause to be done upon or before the Eighth Day of August, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, or within Twenty Days after (all Appeals to them being first determined) for which Duplicates the Remembrancer, or his Deputy, shall give to the Person who brings the same, a Receipt in Writing, gratis, under the Penalty of Ten Pounds, to be recovered to the King's Use, as other Penalties are by this Act recoverable.

Remembrancer to give Receipts *gratis*, on Penalty of 10*l.*

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Persons so appointed to be Collectors, as aforesaid, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, shall levy and collect all and every the Rates and Taxes, so assessed and charged, according to the Intent and Direction of this Act; which said Collectors are hereby required to demand all and every the Sum and Sums of Money, which shall be so taxed and assessed, of the Parties themselves, as the same shall become due, if they can be found, or else at the Place of their last Abode, or upon the Premisses charged with the Assessment: And the said several Collectors shall collect and levy the said Monies so charged for his Majesty's Use, and are hereby required and enjoined to pay unto the Receivers-general, or their Deputies, all and every the said Rates and Assessments by them respectively collected and received, at such Time or Times, Place or Places, as the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, shall appoint, so as the whole Sums due for each quarterly Payment shall be paid or answered by the said Collectors to the Receivers-general, or their Deputies respectively, upon the Days, and at the Times, by this Act appointed for Payment thereof.

The Rates to be levied on the Parties, or Premisses,

and to be paid to the Receivers-general, &c.

And be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the Money received by the said Collectors within their respective Divisions or Hundreds, as aforesaid, shall, from time to time, be duly paid to the Receiver-general, or his Deputy or Deputies, to be appointed under his Hand and Seal, whereof Notice under the Hand and Seal of the respective Receivers-general shall be given to the Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, within the respective Divisions or Hundreds, as aforesaid, within Ten Days after the next General Meeting, and so, from time to time, within Ten Days after every Death or Removal of any Deputy, if any such should happen; and the Receipt of such Receiver-general, his Deputy or Deputies, or any of them (which Receipt or Acquittance shall be given gratis to the Collectors for all Money by them paid) shall be a sufficient Discharge to every such Collector; and the particular Collectors aforesaid are hereby required to pay in all and every the Sums

The Money collected to be paid to the Receiver-general, or Deputies; and they to give Commissioners Notice.

so received by them, to the said Receivers-general, or their Deputy or Deputies; for the Payment whereof the said Collectors shall not be obliged to travel above Ten Miles from the Place or Places of their Inhabitations.

Collectors not obliged to travel above 10 Miles.

Removal or Death of Receiver-general to be notify'd to Commissioners.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Receiver-general of any such County or Place shall die, or be removed, or if any such Receiver-general for the last Aid shall not be appointed for the present, Notice thereof shall be given by the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, to Two or more Commissioners acting for each Division in such County or Place before the Time appointed by this Act for the First quarterly Payment of the Aid hereby granted, and so, from time to time, upon the Death or Removal of any such Receiver-general; any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

407,480*l.* and 2*d.* for the First quarterly Payment, to be paid to the Receivers by 24 *June*, 1757.

And be it further enacted, That the Sum of Four hundred ninety seven thousand four hundred eighty Pounds, and Two Pence, for the First quarterly Payment of the said Assessments for England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, shall be levied, collected, and paid unto the Receivers-general of the said several Counties, Cities, and other Places, who shall be appointed as aforesaid, on or before the Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and the Sum of Four hundred ninety seven thousand four hundred eighty Pounds, and Two Pence, for the Second Payment of the said quarterly Payments, on or before the Twenty ninth Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and the Sum of Four hundred ninety seven thousand four hundred eighty Pounds, and Two Pence, for the Third of the said quarterly Payments, on or before the Twenty fifth Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and the Sum of Four hundred ninety seven thousand four hundred eighty Pounds, and Two Pence, for the last of the said quarterly Payments, on or before the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, in full of the said Sum of One million nine hundred eighty nine thousand nine hundred twenty Pounds, and Eight Pence.

The Second Payment by 29 *Sept.* 1757.

The Third Payment by 25 *Dec.* 1757.

The last Payment by 25 *March*, 1758.

Receiver-general within a Month after receiving the full Sum charged, to give the Commissioners a Receipt:

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every Receiver-general in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, from time to time, within the Space of One Month next after he shall have received the full Sum that shall be charged on any Hundred or Division, for such particular Payment that is to be made to such Receiver-

Receiver-general by virtue of this Act, shall give to such Commissioners as shall act in such Division or Hundred, a Receipt under his Hand and Seal, acknowledging the Receipt of the full Sum charged upon such Hundred or Division for such particular Payments; which Receipt shall be a full Discharge to each Hundred or Division for such particular Payment, against His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors; which said Receivers-general are hereby required forthwith, or at furthest within Twenty Days after the Receipt of any Money of the Taxes or Duties by this Act granted, to transmit, or cause to be paid, the Money by them received, into the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer; and the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or the Lord High Treasurer for the time being, are hereby authorized to allow to the said Receiver-general of each County, Riding, City, and Town respectively, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, a Salary for his Pains, not exceeding Two Pence in the Pound, for so much as he shall pay into the Exchequer, upon the clearing of his Accounts.

Which shall be a full Discharge for Payment.

Receivers-general within 20 Days to pay the Monies into the Exchequer.

Receiver-general allowed 2 *d.* in the Pound.

And be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the Collectors of the aforesaid Rates and Assessments in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, hereby granted, for gathering the particular Sums charged upon the Parish or Place for which they shall be appointed Collectors by virtue of this Act, and for giving Receipts to the Person or Persons of whom they receive the same, shall, upon Collection of the whole Sum appointed to be collected by them, and Payment thereof, as is hereby before appointed, have and receive for their Pains in collecting and paying the Money, Three Pence in the Pound, which the said Collectors are impowered to detain out of the last Payment of the Monies of their several and respective quarterly Payments; and the said Receiver-general, upon the Receipt of the whole Assessments of the County, Riding, City, or Town, for which he is appointed Receiver-general (in case he shall have received the several Duplicates of each Parish and Place therein, and that Duplicates shall be returned to the Office of His Majesty's Remembrancer of the Exchequer, as aforesaid, and not otherwise) shall allow and pay according to such Warrant as shall be given in that Behalf, by the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, Three Halfpence in the Pound, and no more, for the Commissioners Clerks, for their Pains in fair writing the Assessments, Duplicates, and Copies, herein before directed, and all Warrants, Orders, and Instructions relating thereunto.

Collectors to have 3 *d.* in the Pound.

Commissioners Clerks to have Three Halfpence in the Pound.

And

Collectors may levy by Distress in case of Refusal of Payment;

And be it further enacted and declared, That if any Person shall refuse or neglect to pay any Sum or Sums of Money, whereat he, she, or they, shall be rated or assessed in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, by this Act, upon Demand, by the said Collector or Collectors of that Place, according to the Precepts or Estreats to him or them delivered by the said Commissioners, that then, and in all and every such Case and Cases, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Collectors, or any of them, and they are hereby authorized and required to levy the Sum assessed by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattles of such Person so neglecting or refusing to pay, or distrain upon the Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Premisses, so charged with any such Sum or Sums of Money; and the Goods and Chattles then and there found, and the Distress so taken, to keep by the Space of Four Days, at the Costs and Charges of the Owners; and if the said Owners do not pay the Sum or Sums of Money so rated or assessed within the said Space of Four Days, then the said Distress to be appraised by Two or more of the Inhabitants where the same shall be taken, or other sufficient Persons, and to be sold by the said Collectors for Payment of the said Money; and the Overplus coming by such Sale (if any be) over and above the Tax and Charge of taking and keeping the said Distress, to be immediately returned to the Owners thereof; and moreover, that it shall be lawful to break open in the Daytime any House, and, upon Warrant under the Hands and Seals of any Two or more of the said Commissioners, any Chest, Trunk, Box, or other Thing, where any such Goods are, calling to their Assistance the Constables, Tythingmen, or Headboroughs, within the Counties, Ridings, Cities, Towns, or Places, where any Refusal or Neglect shall be made; which said Officers are hereby required to be aiding and assisting in the Premisses, as they will answer the contrary at their Perils; and if any Question or Difference shall happen upon taking such Distress, the same shall be determined and ended by the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them; and if any Person or Persons assessed by this Act in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, as aforesaid, shall neglect or refuse to pay his, her, or their Assessment by the Space of Ten Days after Demand as aforesaid, or convey any of his, her, or their Goods, or other personal Estate, whereby the Sums of Money so assessed cannot be levied according to this Act; in every such Case, any Two or more of the Commission-

Distress to be kept Four Days at the Owner's Charge;

then appraised and sold, and Overplus returned, &c.

Commissioners to determine Differences about Distress.

ers aforeſaid, for any City, County, or Place, are hereby authorized, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, to commit ſuch Perſon or Perſons (except a Peer or Peereſs of Great Britain) to the Common Gaol, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize, until Payment be made of the Money aſſeſſed, and the Charges for bringing in the ſame be paid, and no longer: And the ſeveral and reſpective Tenant and Tenants of all Houſes, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, which ſhall be rated by virtue of this Act, are hereby required and authorized to pay ſuch Sum or Sums of Money, as ſhall be rated upon ſuch Houſes, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, and to deduct out of the Rent ſo much of the ſaid Rate, as, in reſpect of the ſaid Rents of any ſuch Houſes, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, the Landlord ſhould and ought to pay and bear: And the ſaid Landlords, both mediate and immediate, according to their reſpective Intereſts, are hereby required to allow ſuch Deductions and Payments, upon Receipt of the Reſidue of the Rents.

(Except a Peer or Peereſs of *Great Britain*)

Tenants to pay the Tax,

and deduct ſo much out of the Rents.

And be it enacted and declared, That every Tenant, paying the ſaid Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments laſt-mentioned, ſhall be acquitted and diſcharged of ſo much Money as the ſaid Aſſeſſment or Aſſeſſments ſhall amount unto, as if the ſame had actually been paid unto ſuch Perſon or Perſons, to whom his Rent ſhall have been due and payable: And if any Difference ſhall ariſe between Landlord and Tenant, or any other, concerning the ſaid Rates in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, the ſaid ſeveral Commiſſioners, or any Two or more of them, in their ſeveral Diviſions, ſhall have, and they have hereby Power to ſettle the ſame, as they ſhall think fit; and in caſe the Proportions ſet by this or any former Act upon all and every the reſpective Counties, Ridings, Cities, Towns, and Places in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, ſhall not be fully aſſeſſed, levied, and paid, according to the true Meaning thereof; or if any of the ſaid Aſſeſſments ſhall be rated or impoſed upon any Perſon not being of Ability to pay the ſame, or upon any empty or void Houſe or Land, where the ſame cannot be collected or levied, or that through any Wilfulneſs, Neglect, Miſtake, or Accident, the ſaid Aſſeſſment charged on each County, Riding, City, Town, or Place, as aforeſaid, by virtue of this or any former Act, happens not to be paid to the Receiver-general, his Deputy or Deputies, as in this or any former Act is directed; that then, and in all and every ſuch Caſe and Caſes, the ſeveral

Tenants diſcharged for what they ſo pay.

Commiſſioners to ſettle Differences between Landlord and Tenant.

Commiſſioner to cauſe all Deficiencies to be re-aſſeſſed, and made good.

and respective Commissioners, Assessors, and Collectors aforesaid, and every of them respectively, are hereby authorized and required to assess and re-assess, or cause to be assessed or re-assessed, levied, and paid, all and every such Sum and Sums of Money, upon the respective Divisions or Hundreds, wherein such Deficiency shall happen, or Parishes therein, as to the said Commissioners, or such Number of them, as by this Act are authorized to cause the said first Assessment hereby required to be made, shall seem most agreeable to Equity and Justice; the said new Assessment to be made, collected, and paid in such Manner, and by such Means, as in this Act for other Assessments is declared and directed.

Assessor refusing to serve, to forfeit, not exceeding 40 *l.*

And be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Assessor, or Collector, or other Person or Persons, shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform his or their Duty in the due and speedy Execution of this present Act, or shall be guilty of any Fraud or Abuse in executing the same, the said respective Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, have hereby Power to impose on such Person or Persons, so neglecting or refusing his or their Duties, or being guilty of such Fraud or Abuse, such Fine or Fines, as by them shall be thought fit, so the same exceed not the Sum of Forty Pounds; which said Fines shall not be taken off or discharged, but by the Consent of the Majority of the Commissioners who imposed the same, but shall be levied by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattles of the Offenders, and in Default of Goods and Chattles of the Offender (not being a Peer or Peeress, as aforesaid) to be committed by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, to Prison, there to remain till Payment of the said Fine; and all Fines to be imposed by virtue of this Act, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, shall be paid to the Receivers-general, and by them into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer; and shall be inserted in the Duplicates in Parchment fairly written, to be transmitted to the Office of the King's Remembrancer as aforesaid, that the same may be thereby known, and charged in his Accounts.

Fine not to be discharged but by Commissioners who imposed it; and levied by Distress or Imprisonment,

and paid into the Exchequer,

and inserted in the Duplicates

Collectors detaining the Money, to be imprisoned, and their Estates seized and sold, &c.

And be it further enacted and declared, That if any Collector or Collectors, which shall be, by virtue of this Act, appointed for the Receipt of any Sum or Sums of Money thereby to be assessed in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall refuse or neglect to pay any Sum or Sums of Money, which shall be by him or them received,

received, as aforesaid, and to pay the same as in this Act is directed, or shall detain in his or their Hands any Money received by him or them, or any of them, and not pay the same, as by this Act is directed; the said Commissioners of each County, City, Riding, or Town respectively, or any Two or more of them, in their respective Divisions, are hereby authorized and impowered to imprison the Person, and seize and secure the Estate, as well Freehold as Copyhold, and all other Estate, both Real and Personal, of such Collector, to him belonging, or which shall descend or come into the Hands or Possession of his Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, wheresoever the same can be discovered or found; and the said Commissioners, who shall so seize or secure the Estate of any Collector or Collectors, shall be, and are hereby impowered to appoint a Time for a General Meeting of the said Commissioners for such County, Riding, City, Town, or Place, and there to cause publick Notice to be given of the Place where such Meeting shall be appointed, Six Days at least before such General Meeting; and the Commissioners present at such General Meeting, or the major Part of them, in case the Monies detained by any such Collector or Collectors be not paid and satisfied as it ought to be, according to the Directions of this Act, shall be, and are hereby impowered and required to sell and dispose of all such Estates, which shall be, for the Cause aforesaid, seized and secured, or any Part of them, to satisfy and pay into the Hands of the Receiver-general, or his Deputy, for such County, Riding, or Place, the Sum which shall be detained in the Hands of such Collector or Collectors, their Heirs, Executors, or Administrators respectively,

And it is hereby further enacted and declared, That at the Expiration of the respective Times in this Act prescribed for the full Payment of the said quarterly Assessments in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, the several and respective Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, within their Division or Hundred, shall and are hereby required to call before them the Collectors within each respective Division or Hundred, Parish or Place, and to examine and assure themselves, of the full and whole Payment of the particular Sum and Sums of Money charged upon the same Division or Hundred, and every Parish and Place therein, and of the due Return of the same, into the Hands of the respective Receivers-general, their Deputy or Deputies, of the said Counties, Ridings, Cities, Towns, and Places respectively, and by such Receivers-general into the Receipt

Commissioners to examine whether the Sums assessed be duly collected, &c.

ceipt of His Majesty's Exchequer; to the end there may be no Failure in the Payment of any Part of the Assessment, by virtue of this Act to be assessed and paid, nor any Arrears remaining chargeable upon any of the said Counties, Ridings, Cities, Towns, and Places respectively; and in case of any Failure in the Premisses, the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, are hereby authorized and required to cause the same to be forthwith levied and paid, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act.

In case of Controversies in assessing Commissioners, the Commissioners concerned to withdraw.

And it is hereby enacted and declared, That in case any Controversy shall arise concerning the said Assessments, or the dividing, apportioning, or Payment thereof, which concerns any of the Commissioners before by this Act appointed, that the Commissioners so concerned in the said Controversy, in their own Right, or in the Right of any other Person for whom they shall act as Steward, Agent, Attorney, or Solicitor, shall have no Voice, but shall withdraw at the Time of the Debate of such Controversy, until it be determined by the rest of the Commissioners; and in Default thereof, the Commissioners then present shall have Power, and are hereby required to impose such Fine or Fines, as to them shall be thought fit, upon such Commissioner so refusing to withdraw, not exceeding Twenty Pounds, and to cause the same to be levied and paid, as other Fines to be imposed by virtue of this Act are to be levied and paid; and all Questions and Differences which shall arise touching any of the said Rates, Duties, or Assessments, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, or the collecting thereof, shall be heard and finally determined by the said Commissioners, in such Manner as by this Act is directed, upon Complaint thereof made to them by any Person or Persons thereby grieved, without further Trouble or Suit in Law, in His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, or any other Court whatsoever.

In Default to be fined, not above 20 *l.*

No Privileged Place or Person exempt from this Tax.

And be it further enacted and declared, That no Privileged Place or Person, Body Politick or Corporate, within the Counties, Ridings, Cities, and Towns aforesaid, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, shall be exempted from the said Assessment, and Taxes; but that they, and every of them, and also all Fee-farm Rents, and all other Rents, Payments, Sum and Sums of Money, and Annuities, issuing out of, or payable for any Lands, shall be liable towards the Payment of every Sum by this Act to be taxed and levied; and all such Tenants are hereby directed and authorized to pay them proportionably, according to the Rates and Assessments by this Act

Fee-farm Rents, *&c.* to be taxed.

Tenants to pay the Rates.

directed and appointed; and all such Tenants shall be hereby saved and kept harmless, by the Authority of this Act, from any further Payment of any such Proportion of such Rent, Rents, Sums of Money, or Annuities, to any Person or Persons to whom any such Rent, Rents, Sums of Money, or Annuities as aforesaid, should or ought to be paid, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as fully and amply as if they had paid the same to any Person or Persons, to whom the same is or are reserved, or become due.

Colleges, &c. in the Universities, &c. not chargeable:

Provided, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to charge any College or Hall in either of the Two Universities of Oxford or Cambridge, or the Colleges of Windsor, Eaton, Winton, or Westminster, or the Corporation of the Governors of the Charity for the Relief of the poor Widows and Children of Clergymen, or the College of Bromley, or any Hospital in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, for or in respect of the Sites of the said Colleges, Halls, or Hospitals, or any of the Buildings within the Walls or Limits of the said Colleges, Halls, or Hospitals; or any Master, Fellow, or Scholar or Exhibitioner of any such College or Hall, or any Reader, Officer, or Master of the said Universities, Colleges, or Halls, or any Masters or Ushers of any Schools in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, for or in respect of any Stipend, Wages, Rents, Profits, or Exhibitions whatsoever, arising or growing due to them, in respect of the said several Places or Employments in the said Universities, Colleges, or Schools; or to charge any of the Houses or Lands, which on or before the Five and twentieth Day of March, One thousand six hundred ninety three, did belong to the Sites of any College or Hall in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, or to Christ's Hospital, Saint Bartholomew, Bridewell, Saint Thomas, and Bethlehem Hospitals, in the City of London, and Borough of Southwark, or any of them; or to the said Corporation of the Governors of the Charity for the Relief of the poor Widows and Children of Clergymen, or the College of Bromley; or shall extend to charge any other Hospitals or Alms-houses in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, for or in respect only of any Rents or Revenues, which on or before the said Five and twentieth Day of March, One thousand six hundred and ninety three, were payable to the said Hospitals or Alms-houses, being to be received and disbursed for the immediate Use and Relief of the Poor of the said Hospitals and Alms-houses only.

Nor the Houses or Lands which before the 25th of *March*, 1693, did belong to *Christ's Hospital*, &c.

Nor Corporation of Clergymens Sons, *Bromley* College, or any other Hospital.

No Tenants of Hospitals, &c. to claim any Exemption.

Provided, That no Tenants, that hold and enjoy any Lands or Houses by Lease or other Grant from the said Corporation, or any of the said Hospitals or Alms-houses, do claim or enjoy any Freedom, Exemption, or Advantage by this Act; but that all the Houses and Lands, which they so hold, shall be rated and assessed for so much as they are yearly worth, over and above the Rents reserved and payable to the said Corporation, or to the said Hospitals or Alms-houses, to be received and disbursed for the immediate Support and Relief of the Poor of the said Hospitals and Alms-houses.

Such Tenants not discharged, who by Leases are obliged to pay Taxes.

Provided always, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed or taken to discharge any Tenant of any the Houses or Lands belonging to the said Colleges, Halls, or Hospitals, Alms-houses, or Schools, or any of them, who by their Leases, or other Contracts, are and do stand obliged to pay and discharge all Rates, Taxes, and Impositions whatsoever; but that they, and every of them, shall be rated, and pay all such Rates, Taxes, and Impositions; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Commissioners to determine how far Lands, &c. belonging to Hospitals, &c. not exempted by Name, ought to be charged.

And in case any Question hath been, or shall be made, how far any Lands or Tenements belonging to any Hospital or Alms-house in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, not exempted by Name out of this Act, ought to be assessed and charged by the Land Tax; be it enacted and declared, That the same shall be determined by the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, or the major Part of them then present, upon Appeal before them at the Day or Days by them appointed for the hearing and determining of Appeals; whose Determination in such Case shall be final.

All Hospitals Lands, &c. assessed by 4 *W. & M.* liable to this Aid, and no other.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That all such Lands, Revenues, or Rents, belonging to any Hospital or Alms-house, or settled to any charitable or pious Use, as were assessed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of Their late Majesties King William and Queen Mary, shall be, and are hereby adjudged to be liable to be charged towards the Payment of this present Aid; and that no other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, Revenues, or Rents whatsoever, then belonging to any Hospital or Alms-house, or settled to any charitable or pious Uses, as aforesaid, shall be charged, rated, or assessed by virtue of this present Act, towards the said Sum to be raised in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, as aforesaid; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And it is hereby further enacted, That all and every Auditors, Reeves, Receivers, and their Deputies, who audit or receive any Fee-farm Rents, or other chief Rents (arising in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed) due to His Majesty, or to any Person or Persons claiming by any Grant or Purchase from or under the Crown, shall allow Four Shillings for every Pound of the said Rents, and a proportional Rate for any greater Sum than Ten Shillings, to the Party or Parties paying the same, without any Fee for such Allowance, upon the Penalty of Twenty Pounds to the Party grieved, to be recovered by Action of Debt, or upon the Case, together with Full Costs of Suit; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding. And if any such Auditor of the Revenues, or any of them, belonging to His Majesty, or any Deputy, or any other Person acting for or on the Behalf of any such Auditor shall, in the Account of any Reeve, Receiver, or otherwise, set insuper any Tenant or other Person, or make any such Tenant or other Person, or his or their Estate, liable to any Distress, Forfeiture, or Cleration whatsoever, for any Sum or Sums of Money, which, by the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, ought to be allowed after the Rate of Four Shillings in the Pound, or shall refuse, neglect, or delay to allow, and finally discharge the same in the proper Accounts wherein the same ought to be allowed and discharged; that then, and for every or any such Offence, every such Auditor, or Deputy, or Person acting for such Auditor, shall forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds to the Party grieved, to be recovered as aforesaid, and shall be incapable to enjoy his Office or Place, or any Office or Place of Trust under his Majesty.

Receivers of Fee-farm Rents, &c. to allow 4 *s. per* Pound to the Parties, without Fee, on Penalty of 20 *l.*

Auditors, &c. setting Tenants *insuper* for what ought to be allowed, or refusing Allowance,

to forfeit 100 *l.*

And be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the Fee-farm Rents, for which a Deduction or Allowance, after the Rate of Four Shillings in the Pound, is intended to be made by this present Act, are such Fee-farm Rents only, as are answerable to His Majesty, or have been purchased from the Crown by virtue of Two Acts of Parliament made in the Two and twentieth and Three and twentieth Years of the Reign of the late King Charles the Second, for and concerning the Sale of Fee-farm Rents, or One of them, and which were not, on or before the Five and twentieth Day of March, One thousand six hundred and ninety three, payable to any College, Hospital, Reader in either University, or any other Person or Persons before

Such Fee-farm Rents only to have an Allowance of 4 *s. per* Pound, as are answerable to the Crown, or were purchased according to 22 & 23 *Car.* II.

fore exempted by this Act; provided such Deduction or Allowance do not exceed the Sum assessed by virtue of this Act, upon the whole Estate or Estates, out of which such purchased Fee-farm Rent or Rents doth or do issue; and the Owners and Receivers of such Fee-farm Rents shall and are hereby required, on Payment of such Rents, to allow Four Shillings for every Twenty Shillings of the said Rents, and so in Proportion for any Sum not less than Ten Shillings, to the Party or Parties paying the same; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

The Owners to allow the same to the Party paying.

Lists of Pensions, &c. to be delivered *gratis* to the Assessors.

And be it enacted, That the Officers in the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, and in other the publick Offices, upon Request to them made by the respective Assessors, shall deliver gratis true Lists or Accounts of all Pensions, Annuities, Stipends, or other annual Payments, and of all Fees, Salaries, and other Allowances, payable at the said Receipt, or in the said publick Offices, to any Commissioner or Commissioners, Officer or Officers, for the Execution of this Act, for the better Guidance of the said Assessors in the charging of the same. And that in all Cases where any Pensions, Annuities, Stipends, or other yearly Payments, or the Fees, Salaries, Wages, or other Allowances or Profits charged by this Act, shall be payable at the Receipt of the Exchequer, or by the Cofferer of His Majesty's Houshold, or out of any other publick Office, or by any of His Majesty's Receivers or Paymasters in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, the Tax or Payment, which in pursuance of this Act shall be charged for or in respect of such Annuities, Pensions, Stipends, Fees, Salaries, Wages, Allowances, or Profits, shall and may (in case of Non-payment thereof) be detained and stopt out of the same, or out of any Money which shall be paid upon such Pensions, Annuities, Stipends, Fees, Salaries, Wages, Allowances, or Profits, by for Arrears thereof, and be applied to the Satisfaction of the Rates and Duties not otherwise paid as aforesaid; and the proper Officers in the said Exchequer, and other the publick Offices aforesaid, shall keep true Accounts of all Monies stopt, and (upon Request) shall give Copies of such Accounts to the proper Collectors of such Monies, for the respective Parishes or Places where the said Monies are assessed by this Act.

Taxes on Pensions, &c. not paid, to be stopt in the Exchequer.

A true Account to be kept of the Money stopt.

Provided, That where any Person inhabiting within the City of London, or any other City or Town-corporate of England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, hath his Dwelling-house in One of the Parishes or Wards therein, and hath any Goods, Wares, or Merchandizes, in

Persons to be taxed in the Parish where they dwell.

any One or more of the other Parishes or Wards within the same, that then such Person shall be rated, charged, and assessed for such his Goods and Merchandizes, in the Parish or Ward where he dwelleth, and not elsewhere, within the said City or Town-corporate.

No Proviso to lessen the full Sum by this Act to be levied.

Provided nevertheless, That no Clause or Proviso in this Act shall extend to the Lessening or Abatement of the full Sum appointed by this Act to be rated, collected, levied, and paid, but that the same be fully assessed, levied, collected, and paid, in the several and respective Counties, Cities, and Towns aforesaid, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, in such Manner and Form, and to such Uses, as herein is before-mentioned and declared.

Contracts between Landlord and Tenant, touching Taxes, not to be voided.

Provided, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to alter, change, or determine, or make void any Contracts, Covenants, or Agreements whatsoever, between Landlord and Tenant, or any other Persons, touching the Payment of Taxes, and Assessments, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

All Places to pay where usually assessed.

Provided always, and be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That for the avoiding all Obstructions and Delays in assessing and collecting the Sums by this Act to be rated and assessed upon any Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Tithes, or other Hereditaments, all Places, Constablewicks, Divisions, and Allotments, which have been used to be rated and assessed shall pay and be assessed in such County, Hundred, Rape, Wapentake, Constablewick, Division or Place of Allotment within England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, as the same have heretofore been usually assessed in, and not elsewhere.

West Barnfield to be assessed in the Lathe of *Skray Com' Kent.*

Northmore, Com' Oxon. in *Bampton.*

Charlbury, &c. in *Chadlington.*

Leeds Com' Ebor. in *Skyrack.*

Omberſley, Com' Worceſter in *Oſwaldſlow* Hundred.

Aldermaſton, in *Oſwalaſtow* Hundred.

Provided nevertheless, That the Hundred of West Barnfield, formerly rated or assessed in the Lathe of Alesford in the County of Kent, may for the future (if the Commissioners think fit) be rated and assessed in the Lathe of Skray in the County aforesaid; as likewise may the Tithing of Northmore in the County of Oxford be assessed in the Hundred of Bampton in the said County; and the Tithings of Charlbury, Fallar, and Finstock, in the Hundred of Chadlington in the said County; as also the whole Town and Parish of Leeds in the County of York, in the Hundred of Skyrack in the said County; and the Parish of Omberſley in the County of Worcester, in the lower Division of Oswaldslow Hundred in the said County; and the Parish of Aldermaston, in the Eastern Division of Oswaldslow Hundred in the said County;

Parish of *Yardley*, in *Halfshire* Hundred.

and the Parish of Yardley in Bromsgrove Division of Halfshire Hundred in the said County; and the Forest of Chute shall be assessed and pay where the same was assessed to the First Aid of Four Shillings in the Pound, granted to Their late Majesties King William and Queen Mary; and that the Parish of Upton upon Severn, in the County of Worcester, formerly taxed and assessed in the lower Division of Oswaldslow Hundred in the said County, may for the future, if the Commissioners think fit, be taxed and assessed in the lower Division of Pershore Hundred in the said County; as also the Profits of the Navigation of the Rivers Calder and Ayre, in the West Riding of the County of York, shall be assessed and paid, One Moiety thereof at the Town of Wakefield, and the other Moiety at the Town of Leeds, and not elsewhere.

Forest of *Chute*, where the First 4*s.* Aid was assessed.

Upton, in *Pershore* Hundred.

Calder and *Ayre*, at *Wakefield* and *Leeds*.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Action, Plaint, Suit, or Information shall be commenced or prosecuted against any Person or Persons, for what he or they do in pursuance or Execution of this Act, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, such Person or Persons, so sued in any Court whatsoever, shall and may plead the General Issue, Not Guilty; and upon Issue joined, may give this Act, and the Special Matter in Evidence; and if the Plaintiff or Prosecutor shall become Nonsuit, or forbear further Prosecution, or suffer a Discontinuance, or if a Verdict pass against him, the Defendants shall recover Treble Costs, for which they shall have the like Remedy, as in Cases where Costs by Law are given to Defendants.

General Issue.

Treble Costs.

Where Lands &c. are unoccupied, and no Distress found, Collectors may distrain at any Time after.

Provided always, and be it enacted, That in case any Lands or Houses in any Parish, Place, or Constablewick, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall be unoccupied, and no Distress can be found on the same, by reason whereof the said Parish, Place, or Constablewick is forced to pay and make good the Tax assessed upon such Lands lying unoccupied; that then it shall and may be lawful at any Time after, for the Collectors, Constables, or Tythingmen of the said Parish, Place, or Constablewick, for the time being, to enter and distrain upon the Lands or Houses, when there shall be any Distresses thereupon to be found; and the Distress and Distresses (if not redeemed within Four Days, by Payment of the Tax and Charge of the Distress) to sell, rendering the Overplus to the Owner or Owners of such Distress; and the said Collector, Constable, or Tythingman, is hereby enjoined to distribute the Money raised by the said Distress and Sale, proportionably, to the Parties who contributed to the Tax of the unoccupied Lands or Houses.

Provided always, and be it enacted, That where any Wood Lands in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall be assessed, and no Distress can be had, that in such Case it shall and may be lawful to and for any Collector, Constable, Headborough, or Tythingman, by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of Two or more of the Commissioners of that Hundred or Division, at seasonable Times of the Year, to cut and sell to any Person or Persons so much of the Wood growing on the said Wood Lands so assessed (Timber Trees excepted) as shall pay the Assessment or Assessments so behind and unpaid, and the Charge incident thereunto; and that it shall and may be lawful for the Person or Persons, and his or their Assigns, to whom such Wood shall be sold, to fell, cut down, dispose, and carry away the same to his own Use, rendering the Overplus (if any be) to the Owner; any Law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Wood may be cut down, and sold for Distress.

(Timber Trees excepted)

Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where any Tax or Assessment shall be charged or laid on any Tithes, such Tolls as are chargeable by this Act, Profits of Markets, Fairs, or Fisheries, or any other annual Profits, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, not distrainable, in case the same shall not be paid within Six Days after such Assessment so charged or laid, or demanded, that it shall and may be lawful to and for the Collector, Constable, or other Officer thereunto appointed, by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of any Two or more of the Commissioners authorized by this Act, to seize, take, and sell so much of the said Tithes, wheresoever they can be found, Tolls, or other Profits, so charged, as shall be sufficient for the levying the said Tax or Assessment, and all the Charges occasioned by such Nonpayment thereof, rendering the Overplus to the Owner, if any be.

Tithes, Tolls, &c. not paid within 6 Days after Demand, &c. may be seized and sold.

And for the better preventing such unjust Vexations as might be occasioned by such Persons as shall be appointed Receivers-general of any of the Sums of Money granted by this Act, to be raised in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed; and to the Intent the said Receivers-general may return a true Account into His Majesty's Court of Exchequer, of any Sum or Sums of Money as shall be received by them, and every of them, their and every of their Deputy or Deputies; be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any such Receiver-general shall return, or certify into the said Court, any Sum or Sums of Money to be in Arrear, and unpaid, after the same have been received, either by such Receiver-general, or his Deputy or Deputies, or any of them, or shall cause any Person

Receivers-general returning Persons, who have paid the Tax, to be in Arrear,

Person or Persons, or Places, to be set insuper in the said Court, for any Sum or Sums of Money that have been so received; that then every such Receiver-general shall be liable to pay to every Person or Persons that shall be molested, vexed, or damaged, by reason of any such unjust Certificate, Return, or setting insuper, Treble the Damage that shall be thereby occasioned, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information; in which no Essoin, Protection, or Wager of Law shall be allowed, or any more than One Imparlance; and shall also forfeit to His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, Double the Sum that shall be so unjustly certified, or returned, or caused to be set insuper.

forfeit Treble Damages to the Party grieved,

and to His Majesty double the Sum so returned.

Commissioners to assess the Assessors.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners that shall be within any County, City, or Place within the respective Limits of England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, or the major Part of them, shall tax and assess every Assessor within their Divisions, for all and singular the Matters and Things for which by this Act he ought to be taxed and assessed; and all Sums assessed upon every the said Assessors, and the Assessments made and set by the Assessors aforesaid, shall be written, estreated, levied, and gathered, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act.

None compelled to be Assessors out of the Limits of the City, &c.

Provided also, That no Person inhabiting in any City, Borough, or Town-corporate in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall be compelled to be an Assessor or Collector of or for any Part of the Rates and Assessments hereby granted, in any Place or Places out of the Limits of the said City, Borough, or Town-corporate.

Assessments on foreign Ministers Houses to be paid by the Landlords.

Provided always, and be it enacted, That every Rate, Tax, and Assessment, which shall be made or imposed by virtue of this Act, in respect of any House or Tenement which an Ambassador, Resident, Agent, or other publick Minister of any foreign Prince or State, now doth, or hereafter shall inhabit or occupy, shall be paid by the Landlord or Owner of the said Houses or Tenements respectively.

In Places Extraparochial Commissioners to nominate Assessors and Collectors, &c.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in all privileged and other Places, being Extraparochial, or not within the Constablewicks or Precincts of the respective Assessors, to be appointed by virtue of this Act, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed (although in any monthly or other Tax they have not been rated heretofore) the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, shall, and they are hereby required to nominate and appoint Two or more fit Persons, living in or near the said privileged or other Places as aforesaid,

to be Assessors for the said Places, and to make and return the said Assessments, in like Manner as by this Act is appointed in any Parish, Tything, or Place, and also to appoint Two or more Collectors, who are hereby required to collect and pay the same in Manner appointed by this Act for the collecting and paying all the aforesaid Sums of Money chargeable by this Act.

No Commissioner, &c. liable to any other Penalties than such as are inflicted by this Act.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Commissioner, Assessor, or Collector, who shall be employed in the Execution of this Act, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall be liable, for or by reason of such Execution, to any Penalty or Penalties, other than such as by this Act are or may be inflicted for or by reason of such Execution.

Commissioners not to act without taking the Oaths by 1 *Geor.* I. &c.

Provided always, and be it enacted, That no Person shall be capable, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, of acting as a Commissioner in the Execution of this Act, or executing any the Powers therein contained (unless it be the Power hereby given of administering Oaths) until such Time as he shall have taken the Oaths appointed by the Act of Parliament made in the First Year of His late Majesty's Reign (intituled, An Act for the further Security of His Majesty's Person and Government, and the Succession of the Crown in the Heirs of the late Princess *Sophia*, being Protestants; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and his open and secret Abettors;) which Oaths it shall and may be lawful for any Two or more of the Commissioners to administer, and they are hereby required to administer the same to any other of the said Commissioners.

Acting before Oaths taken, forfeit 200 *l.*

Provided always, and be it enacted, That if any Person hereby appointed a Commissioner for any County, City, Town, or Place, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall presume to act as a Commissioner in the Execution of this Act, before he shall have taken the Oaths which by this Act he is required to take, and in Manner hereby prescribed, he shall forfeit to His Majesty the Sum of Two hundred Pounds.

Officers to pay where employed, &c.

Provided also, That every Person in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, rated or assessed for his Office or Employment, shall be rated and pay for his said Office or Employment in the County, City, or Place where the same shall be exercised, although the Revenue or Profits arising by such Office or Employment are payable elsewhere.

Officers in *Chancery* to be assessed in the Rolls Liberty.

Provided always, That the Right Honourable the Master of the Rolls, the Masters in Chancery, Six Clerks, Clerks of the Petty-bag, Examiners, Registers, Clerks of the

Inrolments, Clerks of the Affidavit and Subpœna Offices, and all other the Officers of the Court of Chancery, that execute their Offices within the Liberty of the Rolls, shall there be assessed for their respective Offices, Salaries, and other Profits, and not elsewhere; and that all Annuities, Stipends, and Pensions, payable to any Officers in respect of their Offices, shall be taxed and assessed where such Officers are rated and assessed for their Offices, and not elsewhere; and that all other Pensions, Stipends, and Annuities, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, not charged upon Lands, shall be charged and assessed in the Parishes or Places where they are payable; and every Person who is or shall be rated in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, for or in respect of any Personal Estate to him or her any ways belonging, shall be rated at such Place where he or she shall be resident at the Time of the Execution of this Act; and all Persons not being Householders, nor having a certain Place of Residence, shall be taxed at the Place where they shall be resident at the Time of the Execution of this Act; and if any Person, who ought to be taxed in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, by virtue of this Act, for or in respect of his Personal Estate, shall, at the Time of his Assessment, be out of the Realm, such Person shall be rated therefore in such County, City, or Place, where he was last abiding within this Realm.

Annuities, where rated.

Pensions, where payable.

Personal Estates, where Persons resident, &c.

Persons not Householders, where resident.

Absent Persons to be rated where they were last resident.

Goods, &c. to be assessed where they shall be.

Provided, That where any Person shall have any Goods, Wares, or Merchandizes, in any County or Counties, other than the County where he shall be resident, or had his last Residence, it shall be lawful at any Time before the Twenty fourth Day of August, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, to rate and assess such Person for such Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes, in any County or Counties where the same shall be; and every Person who shall be rated and assessed for or in respect of any Manors, Messuages, Lands, or Tenements, or other the Premisses, according to the former Clauses of this Act, shall be rated and assessed in the Places where such Manors, Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, and other the Premisses respectively do lie, and not elsewhere.

Persons doubly rated, discharged on Certificate.

Provided always, That if any Person or Persons, by reason of his, her, or their having several Mansion-houses, or Places of Residence, or otherwise, shall be doubly charged for any Personal Estate, Offices, or otherwise, by Occasion of this Act; then upon Certificate made by any Two or more of the Commissioners for the County, Riding, City or Place, of his, her, or their last personal Residence, under their Hands and Seals, of the Sum or Sums

charged

charged upon him, her, or them (which Certificate the said Commissioners are hereby required to give without Delay, Fee or Reward) and upon Oath made of such Certificate before any Justice of the Peace of the County or Place where the said Certificates shall be made (which Oath the said Justice of the Peace is hereby authorized and required to administer) then the Person or Persons so doubly charged shall, for so much as shall be so certified, be discharged in every other County, City, or Place in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed.

Not to extend to *Scotland, Ireland, Jersey* or *Guernsey*.

Provided also, That this Act shall not extend to the Inhabitants of Scotland, Ireland, Jersey, or Guernsey, for assessing any such Personal Estate, which they, or any to their Use, have, within those Places, for or towards the said Sum hereby charged upon England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, as aforesaid; and if any Person that ought to be taxed by virtue of this Act, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, for or in respect of his Personal Estate, shall, by changing his Place of Residence, or by any other Fraud or Covin, escape from the Taxation, and not be taxed, and the same be proved before the Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, or before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace of the County where such Person dwelleth or resideth, at any Time within One Year next after such Tax made, every Person that shall so escape from the Taxation and Payment, shall be charged (upon Proof thereof) at Treble the Value of so much as he should or ought to have been charged at by this Act; the said Treble Value, upon Certificate thereof made into the Exchequer by the Commissioners, Justice or Justices (before whom such Proof shall be made) to be levied on the Goods, Lands, and Tenements of such Persons.

Persons avoiding the Tax, charged Treble.

Householders to give an Account of their Lodgers,

And, for the better Discovery of Personal Estates intended to be charged by this Act, be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every Householder in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall, upon Demand of the Assessors of the respective Parishes or Places, give an Account of the Names and Qualities of such Persons as shall sojourn or lodge in their respective Houses, under the Penalty of forfeiting to his Majesty the Sum of Five Pounds, to be levied and recovered in such Manner as any other Penalty in this Act mentioned shall and may be levied and recovered.

on Forfeiture of 5 *l.*

Shares in the *New River*, &c. to pay 4*s.* *per* Pound.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every Person and Persons having any Share or Shares, or Interest in any fresh Stream or running Water brought to the North Parts of London, commonly

called the New River, or in the Thames Water-works, or in Mary-bone, or in Hampstead Water-works, or in any Rents or Profits arising thereby; and all and every Person or Persons having any Shares or Interest in any Office or Stock for insuring of Houses in Cases of Fire, or in any Lights, or in the Stock or Stocks for printing of Books in or belonging to the House commonly called The King's Printing House, shall pay for the same the Sum of Four Shillings for every Twenty Shillings of the full yearly Value thereof, towards the said Sum hereby charged upon England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed; and they, and all Companies of Merchants in London, and the Bank of England, and all Salaries and Pensions (taxable in London) arising and payable at the General Post-office and Excise-office, charged by this Act, shall be assessed by the Commissioners nominated and appointed for the said City, or any Two or more of them, for their respective Shares and Interests aforesaid, and the aforesaid joint Stock or Stocks, and for such Salaries and Pensions; and the same shall be paid by the Governors, or the respective Treasurers or Receivers of the said River-waters and Water-works, and of the said Offices and Stocks respectively, to such Person or Persons as the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, shall appoint to collect the same, and be deducted at and out of their next Dividend; and every Person having any Salary in respect of any Office or Employment exercised in the Ward of London where the said Post-office is situated, shall be assessed, and pay for the same in the same Ward the said Rate of Four Shillings in the Pound towards the said Sum by this Act charged upon England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed.

Shares in the *Fire Offices*, and in the *Lights*, and the King's *Printing House*, to pay 4*s.* *per* Pound. Merchants, Bank of *England*, Post-office, &c. to be paid by the Governors.

Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That when and so often as any of the said Governors, Treasurers, or Receivers of the said River-waters, Water-works, Offices, or Stocks respectively, shall, upon Demand to any of them respectively made by the proper Collector or Collectors, refuse or neglect to pay the respective Sum or Sums of Money whereat all and every the said Person and Persons having any Share or Shares, or Interest in any of the said River-waters, Water-works, Offices, or Stocks respectively, shall be respectively rated or assessed, then, and in all and every such Case and Cases, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Collector or Collectors, or any of them, and he, they, and every of them, is and are hereby authorized and required to levy the Sum so assessed, by Distress and Sale of the Goods

Governors, &c. of the River-waters, and Water-works, refusing to pay, the Collectors impowered to levy the Sum by Distress and Sale.

and Chattles jointly belonging to, or held in trust for, the Persons who shall have such Shares or Interests in respect whereof such Assessment shall be demanded, and refused as aforesaid, rendering the Overplus, if any shall be (the Charges of such Distress and Sale being first deducted) to the Governor, Treasurer, or Receiver of the said River-waters, Water-works, Offices, or Stocks respectively.

Papists 18 Years of Age not taking the Oaths 1 *W.* & *M.* to pay double:

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every Papist, or reputed Papist, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, being at the Age of Eighteen Years and upwards, who shall not have taken the Oaths mentioned and required to be taken by an Act made in England, in the First Year of the Reign of King William and Queen Mary, intituled, An Act for abrogating the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance, and appointing other Oaths, shall yield and pay to His Majesty double the Sums and Rates, which, by Force and Virtue of any Clause in this Act before-mentioned and contained, he or they should or ought to pay and be charged with, to be assessed, levied, collected, answered, and paid, in such Manner, by such Ways and Means, and according to such Rules, and Directions, and under such Penalties and Forfeitures, as are before in this Act expressed or appointed, for and concerning the above-mentioned Rates and Sums.

Unless taken within 10 Days after the Commissioners First Meeting.

Provided nevertheless, That if any such Papist, or reputed Papist, within Ten Days after the First Meeting of the said Commissioners, in the respective Counties or Places where he or she ought to be rated or assessed, according to the Intent of this present Act, shall take the said Oaths before any Two or more of the said Commissioners (which Oaths the said Two or more of the said Commissioners are hereby impowered to administer) in that Case he or they shall not be liable to be doubly assessed as aforesaid.

Persons 18 Years of Age refusing the Oaths, to pay double.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every Person, being of the Age of Eighteen Years, and upwards, and being in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, at the Time of the Execution of this Act, who shall not before that Time have taken the Oaths mentioned and required to be taken by the said last-mentioned Act, and upon Summons by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of any Two or more of the said Commissioners, shall refuse to take the said Oaths at the Time appointed in the said Warrant, or shall neglect to appear at such Time before the said Commissioners, in order to take the said Oaths (which the said Commissioners, or any Two

or more of them, are hereby impowered and required to administer) shall yield and pay unto His Majesty double the Sums and Rates, which, by Force and Virtue of any Clause of this Act before-mentioned and contained, he or she should or ought to pay or be charged with, in Manner as is before in this present Act appointed, touching Papists, or reputed Papists.

Commissioners to summon suspected Persons, &c.

And be it further enacted, That any Two or more of the said Commissioners appointed by this Act in the respective Counties, Cities, Towns, and other Places in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, upon Information, or upon any Cause of Suspicion in that Behalf, shall and are hereby required and impowered to cause every such Person suspected (or against whom such Information shall be given) to be summoned to appear to take the said Oaths, as aforesaid.

Quakers to subscribe the Declaration 1 *W. & M.*

Provided nevertheless, That whereas certain Persons, Dissenters from the Church of England, commonly called Quakers, and now known to be such, in England, Wales, and Berwick upon Tweed, do scruple the taking of any Oaths, it shall be sufficient for any such Persons to make and subscribe the like Declaration of Fidelity to His Majesty, as was contained in an Act made in the Parliament held in the First Year of the Reign of Their late Majesties King William and Queen Mary, intituled, An Act for exempting Their Majesties Protestant Subjects, Dissenters from the Church of *England*, from the Penalties of certain Laws: Which Declaration any Two or more of the Commissioners appointed for the executing of this Act are hereby required and impowered to administer; and every such Person, so doing, shall not be liable to, or charged with, any of the double Rates aforesaid.

Commissioners to double assess Papists, where Assessors omit.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in all Cases where any Assessor or Assessors, who by this Act are required to make double Assessments upon Papists, or reputed Papists, or other Persons, for not taking the Oaths aforesaid, shall neglect to do his or their Duty therein; the respective Commissioners of the County, Riding, Hundred, Division, or Place, where such double Assessments ought to have been made, or any Two or more of them, shall take Care, and are hereby authorized and required to cause such Papists, or other Persons, to be doubly charged, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act.

Tenants discharged from double Rates.

Provided always, and be it enacted, That where the Owners of any Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, are liable to be doubly charged as Papists, or reputed Papists, by reason of their not having taken the Oaths according

cording to the true Intent of this Act; in every such Case such Owners only shall be charged with, and pay the said double Rates; and the respective Tenants of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, are hereby discharged of and from the same; any Covenant for Payment of Taxes, or other Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding.

King's Bench, Marshalsea Prison, &c. to be assessed in Saint *George's* Parish, &c.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Prison of the King's Bench, Prison-house, Lands, Gardens, and Common Side, and all the Rents, Offices, Profits, and Perquisites of the Marshal, and all other Officers of the King's Bench Prison; and also the Prison-house, Lands, and Gardens of the Prison of the Marshal, and of the Marshalsea Prison, and all Offices, Perquisites, and Profits of the Marshalsea Court and Prison, lying and being in the Parish of Saint George the Martyr, in the Borough of Southwark, in the County of Surry; and the Judges of the said Court, and all Counsellors and Attornies practising, or having a Right to practise in the said Marshalsea Court, and all Profits and Fees accruing to them, or any of them respectively, shall be charged and assessed to the Assessment in the Parish of Saint George aforesaid, and not elsewhere, at and after the Rate of Four Shillings in the Pound; any thing to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Officers of the *Marshalsea* Court refusing to pay, &c.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That where any Officer or Officers, belonging to the said Prisons, shall neglect or refuse to pay the Sum or Sums of Money, which shall be rated and assessed upon them, or any of them, by virtue of this Act, any Two or more of the Commissioners appointed by this Act, for the said County of Surry, shall and may certify, by Writing, under their Hands and Seals, such Neglect or Refusal, and the Sum payable by virtue of this Act, to the Commissioners for executing this Act, in the County or Place where such Officer or Officers reside; and any Two or more of such Commissioners are hereby authorized and required, upon Receipt of such Certificate, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, to authorize and impower the respective Collectors of the Parish or Place where such Officer or Officers reside, to distrain the Goods and Chattles of such Officer or Officers; and the Distress or Distresses so made, to detain and keep for the Space of Four Days; and if such Officer or Officers do not pay the said Sum or Sums of Money, for which such Distress shall be made as aforesaid, within the Space of Four Days, that then the said Goods and Chat-

Collectors by Warrant from Commissioners may distrain.

tles so distrained as aforesaid, shall and may be appraised and sold by Two such honest and sufficient Persons, as the said Commissioners, who shall sign the said Warrant, shall nominate and appoint; and the Monies arising thereby shall be paid to the Collectors of the said Parish of Saint George, for and towards Satisfaction of the said Sum and Sums of Money; and the Surplus (if any be) shall be returned to the Owner of the said Goods, after the Charge of the said Distress and Sale shall be deducted: But in case no Goods or Chattles of any such Officer or Officers can be found, sufficient to make good the Sum or Sums of Money so assessed, or to be assessed upon him or them as aforesaid, that then it shall and may be lawful for any Two or more of the said Commissioners, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals to the respective Collectors, or such Person or Persons as they shall think fit, to cause the Person or Persons of such respective Officer or Officers of the said Prisons, neglecting or refusing to pay as aforesaid, to be apprehended and taken, wherever he or they can or may be found, and to be committed to the Common Gaol, where he or they shall happen to be taken, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize, until Payment shall be made as aforesaid, of the Sum or Sums of Money so charged or assessed upon them as aforesaid, with the Charges of such Prosecution as aforesaid, to be allowed by the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

If no Goods sufficient, Officer to be imprisoned.

Fleet Prison to be assessed in St. *Bride's*.

Provided also, That the Prison of the Fleet, Prisonhouse, Lands, Gardens, and the Common Side, and all the Rents, Profits, and Perquisites of the Office of Warden of the Fleet, lying and being in the Parish of Saint Bridget, *alias* Bride's, London, shall be charged and assessed to the Assessment in the said Parish of Saint Bridget, *alias* Bride's, London, and not elsewhere; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

Officers at *Stoke Damrel* near *Plymouth*, to be assessed within the Town of *Plymouth*, &c.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Officers of His Majesty's Dock Yard now at Stoke Damrel, near Plymouth, shall be assessed upon this Act, for the Salaries and other Profits, within the Town and Parish of Plymouth, where the Salaries of the old Dock Yard at Plymouth, in the Year One thousand six hundred and ninety three, were assessed, and not elsewhere; so as the full Proportion which was assessed upon the said Town and Parish of Plymouth, in the said Year One

One thousand six hundred and ninety three, be again assessed thereon by virtue of this Act, and so as the said Parish of Stoke Damrel be not charged with a greater Proportion, in respect of the said Salaries and Profits, than they were in the said Year One thousand six hundred and ninety three; any thing herein before contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Water-works in *Southwark* to be assessed in *Surry*.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all the Water-works in the Borough of Southwark shall be rated and assessed in the said Borough of Southwark, and not elsewhere, by the Commissioners and Assessors of the County of Surry, and not by the Commissioners and Assessors of the City of London, and that the said Water-works be assessed according to the clear yearly Profits thereof; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Water-works in *Westminster* there assessed.

Provided always, and be it enacted, That the Water-works in the City and Liberty of Westminster, shall be rated and assessed by the Commissioners and Assessors of the City and Liberty of Westminster, and not by the Commissioners and Assessors of the City of London; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Offices, &c. in *Whitehall* and St. *James*'s, to be there assessed.

Provided always, That all Offices and Places, which were rated and assessed within the Palaces of Whitehall and Saint James, in and for the Years One thousand seven hundred and three, and One thousand seven hundred and four, or either of them (except such as are exempted by this Act) shall be rated and assessed within the said Palaces, and in no other Place whatsoever.

Collectors of the Water-works in *Colchester*, chargeable.

And be it enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the respective Persons, who have received or collected, or shall receive or collect the yearly Profits of the Water-works within the Town of Colchester, in the County of Essex, for the time being, shall be, and are hereby charged and chargeable with the Payment of the Tax that shall be assessed on the said Profits respectively by this Act, to be levied in such Manner as other Aids and Assessments in and by this Act are directed; and the respective Persons so charged, as aforesaid, and paying the same, shall be allowed the same on their respective Accounts by their respective Employers or Proprietors for the time being; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Collectors for the Water-works in *New Windsor*, chargeable.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That such Person or Persons as collect and receive the yearly Profits of the Water-works within the Borough of New Windsor, in the County of Berks, shall be, and are hereby charged and chargeable with the Payment of

the Tax that shall be assessed on the said Profits, to be levied in such Manner as other Aids and Assessments in and by this Act are directed and appointed.

Patent Officers to Bishopricks to pay where assessed in 1693.

And it is hereby declared, That in all Places where any the Patent Officers of the several Bishops, or any of them, in England and Wales, were assessed, and did pay for their respective Offices or Employments of Profit relating to the said Bishopricks, unto or for the said Aid of Four Shillings in the Pound, in the Year One thousand six hundred and ninety three, the same respective Offices and Employments of Profit, under the present Bishops, or relating to the said Bishopricks, or any of them, and the Patent Officers therein, shall be assessed and chargeable in the same Parishes and Places respectively, and none other, towards the Sum to be raised by this Act, to His Majesty's Use.

Commissioners appointed to act, without subdividing the Parish of St. *Andrew Holborn*, in *Middlesex*.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That the Proportion, which at the First General Meeting of the Commissioners for the County of Middlesex shall (pursuant to this Act) be laid upon that Part of the Parish of Saint Andrew Holborn, which is in the said County, shall be equally raised therein, without being subdivided into Two Proportions, or making any Distinction between that Part above the Bars, and that Part below the Bars: And that in the Subdivision of Commissioners to act for the several Hundreds and Divisions in the said County, a Number of Commissioners shall be appointed to act accordingly for all that Part of the said Parish of Saint Andrew, which lieth in the said County.

The Parish of St. *George Hanover Square* to be charged with a distinct *Quota* from the Parish of St. *Martin in the Fields*.

Debates arising concerning the joint *Quota*; the Commissioners who are Inhabitants of either Parish to withdraw, or to be fined a Sum not exceeding 20 *l.*

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That the Parish of Saint George Hanover Square, within the City and Liberty of Westminster, shall, in the Execution of this Act, be chargeable with a distinct Sum or Quota, separate from that of the Parish of Saint Martin in the Fields; and if any Controversy shall arise among the Commissioners concerning the said Quota, and the apportioning thereof out of the joint Quota of the said Two Parishes; the Commissioners who are Inhabitants of, or have any Concern or Interest in, either of the said Two Parishes, shall have no Voice, but shall withdraw at the Time of the Debate of such Controversy, until it be determined by the rest of the Commissioners; and in Default thereof, the Commissioners then present, who do not inhabit, nor have any Interest or Concern in either of the said Two Parishes, shall have Power, and are hereby required, to impose such Fine or Fines as by them shall be thought fit, upon every such Commissioner

sioner so refusing to withdraw, not exceeding Twenty Pounds; and to cause the same to be levied and paid as other Fines to be imposed by virtue of this Act are to be levied and paid.

The Parishes of St. *John*, St. *Peter*, and *Berchington*, to be charged in *Dover* Liberty, according to the Assessment 4 *W. & M.*

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Parishes of Saint John, Saint Peter, and Berchington in the Isle of Thanet, within the Liberty of Dover, shall be deemed and taken to be a distinct Division within the said Liberty; and in Execution of this Act, shall be charged towards making up the whole Sum charged on the Town of Dover, and the Liberty thereof, according to the Proportion which was assessed on the said Parishes, by virtue of an Act of Parliament passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of Their late Majesties King William and Queen Mary, intituled, An Act for granting to Their Majesties an Aid of Four Shillings in the Pound, for carrying on a vigorous War against *France*, and not otherwise. And all Commissioners, Collectors, Head-collectors, and Receivers, are hereby required and enjoined to apply themselves with all Diligence to the most speedy and effectual Execution of their several and respective Duties, and to use their utmost Endeavours, that all Estates, and other Things herein charged, may fully and duly pay the Rates and Assessments, according to the Directions of this Act, and so as His Majesty's Service herein may not be delayed or hindered through any of their wilful Neglect or Default.

Lands not worth 20 *s. per Annum*, not chargeable.

Provided, That no poor Person shall be charged with or liable to the Pound-rate imposed by this Act upon Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, whose Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, are not of the full yearly Value of Twenty Shillings in the whole.

Collectors keeping Monies in their Hands, to forfeit 40 *l.*

And be it further enacted, That if any Collector of any Parish or Place in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall keep in his Hands any Part of the Money by him collected for any longer Time than is by this Act directed (other than the Allowance made unto him by this Act) or shall pay any Part thereof to any Person or Persons, other than the Receiver-general of such County or Place, or to his respective Deputy; that every such Collector shall forfeit, for every such Offence, the Sum of Forty Pounds. And in case any Receiver-general of any Part of England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, or his Deputy, shall pay any Part of the Monies paid to him or them by any Collector, by virtue of this Act, to any Person or Persons whatsoever, other than into the

Receiver-general misapplying the Monies, to forfeit 500 *l.*

Receipt

Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, and at or within the respective Times limited by this Act; or in case any such Receiver-general of any Part of England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, or his Deputy, shall pay any Part of the said Monies by any Warrant of the High Treasurer, Commissioners of the Treasury, or Under-treasurer for the time being, or upon any Tally of Pro, or Tally of Anticipation, or other Way or Device whatsoever, whereby to divert or hinder the actual Payment thereof into the Receipt of the Exchequer as aforesaid; then every such Receiver-general shall, for every such Offence of himself, or his Deputy, forfeit the Sum of Five hundred Pounds to him or them that shall sue for the same, in any Court of Record, by Bill, Plaint, or Information; wherein no Essoin, Protection, or Wager of Law is to be allowed.

Commissioners of the Treasury, &c. not to divert the Payments into the Exchequer.

And it is hereby further enacted, That the High Treasurer, or Commissioners of the Treasury, or Under-treasurer for the time being, or any of them, do not direct any Warrant to any of the Collectors or Receivers-general in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, or their Deputies, for the Payment of any Part of the Monies hereby given to any Person or Persons, other than into the Receipt of the Exchequer, as aforesaid; nor shall they, or any of them, direct any Warrant to the Officers of the Exchequer for striking any Tally of Pro, or Tally of Anticipation, nor do any Matter or Thing whereby to divert the actual Payment of the said Monies into the Receipt of the Exchequer; nor shall the Officers of the Exchequer strike, or direct, or record the striking of any Tally of Pro, or Tally of Anticipation, upon any of the said Monies, upon any Account or Warrant whatsoever; nor shall any Teller throw down any Bill, whereby to charge himself with any of the said Monies, until he shall have actually received the same.

No *Noli prosequi*, &c. in any Suit against this Act.

Provided also, and be it enacted, That no Stay of Prosecution, upon any Command, Warrant, Motion, Order, or Direction, by Non vult ulterius prosequi, shall be had, made, admitted, received, or allowed by any Court whatsoever, in any Suit or Proceeding, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, or otherwise, for the Recovery of all or any the Pains, Penalties, or Forfeitures upon any Person by this Act inflicted, or therein mentioned, or for or in order to the Conviction or Disability of any Person offending against this Act, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed.

Provided

Provided always, That if any Person or Persons, who shall be charged or assessed by this Act to or with a Pound-rate upon his, her, or their Manors, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or other the Premisses, shall, upon Complaint made to the Commissioners, in such Manner, and at such Times, as are herein directed in Cases of Appeals, make it appear to the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them then present, for hearing and determining such Appeals, by Proof upon Oath, that such Assessment doth exceed the equal Pound-rate that ought to be charged on him, her, or them; in such Case, upon every such Proof, and due Examination thereof, the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them then present, as aforesaid, are hereby impowered to abate and lessen the said Assessments, so much as the same shall exceed the equal Pound-rate that ought to be charged on him, her, or them, and shall cause the Money so abated to be re-assessed, sur-charged, and levied, in such Manner as they, or the major Part of them, in their Judgements and Discretions, shall think most equal, just, and reasonable, within the whole Hundred, Lathe, Wapentake, or other Division, where such Overcharge or Overcharges do happen, although the Pound-rate of Four Shillings in the Pound be thereby exceeded; or if any particular Part or Parts of the same, or any Person therein, shall appear to them be undercharged, then the Money so abated shall and may be raised upon such particular Part or Persons so undercharged; so that the whole Sum payable to his Majesty for such Hundred, Lathe, Wapentake, or other Division, shall be fully and duly answered and paid, without being diminished by reason of such particular Abatement; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Commissioners to abate where Lands are over charged,

and to re-assess, &c.

or raise it on Persons undercharged.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Receiver-general of each County or District in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall nominate, constitute, and appoint fit and proper Persons (for whom he shall be answerable) to be his Deputy or Deputies, to receive from the said Sub-collectors all and every the Rates, Duties, and Assessments by them respectively collected and received; and the same Receivers-general are hereby required to nominate and appoint so many of such Deputies in their respective Counties, that no Sub-collector may be obliged to travel above the Space of Ten Miles from his usual Place of Abode, for the Payment of the said Monies that shall be by him collected or received; and if any such Receiver-general shall neglect or refuse to nominate and appoint such Deputies, in Manner as aforesaid, or shall wilfully neglect to attend, by himself or Deputy,

Receiver-general answerable for Deputies.

Sub-collector not to travel above 10 Miles, &c.

Receivers not nominating Deputies, &c. to forfeit 100 l.

at the Time and Place by him appointed for his respective Receipts, such Receiver-general shall, for every such Offence, forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds, the One Moiety to His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, and the other Moiety to him or them that shall sue for the same, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster; in which Action or Suit no Essoin, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law, shall be allowed.

Commissioners for the County at large may act for any City, &c.

Provided nevertheless, That in case there shall not be a sufficient Number of Commissioners for any City, Borough, Cinque-port, Town, or Place, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed (for which by this Act Commissioners are particularly appointed) capable of acting according to the Qualifications required by this Act, to put this Act in Execution; that in every such Case, any of the said Commissioners, appointed for the County at large, within which such City, Borough, Town, Cinque-port, or Place doth stand, or which is next adjoining thereto, may act as Commissioners in the Execution of this Act, within such City, Borough, Town, Cinque-port, or Place.

And whereas some Doubts may arise, whether Mayors, Bailiffs, or other Chief Magistrates of Cities, Boroughs, Towns-corporate, or Cinque-ports, for which Commissioners are specially appointed by virtue of this Act, can act as Commissioners for executing this Act in the said Cities, Boroughs, Towns-corporate, and Cinque-ports; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Mayors, Bailiffs, and other Chief Magistrates, who are appointed Commissioners for executing this Act, shall be, and have Power to act as Commissioners for executing this Act, within and for any City, Borough, Town-corporate, or Cinque-port, wherein they inhabit at the Time of executing this Act, as well where Commissioners are especially appointed by this Act, as where they are not.

Mayors, Bailiffs, &c. to act as Commissioners specially appointed.

And whereas several Members of Parliament, by reason of their Attendance in Parliament, have by the Assessors of London, Westminster, and Middlesex, and the Suburbs of the same, been taxed for their Personal Estates, and have been put to unreasonable Charge and Vexation; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the several Members of Parliament, who at the Execution of this Act, during this Session of Parliament, shall abide within the said Cities of London and Westminster, and the Suburbs of the same, or within the County of Middlesex, shall, for or in respect of their ready Money, or Debts, or any other Tax which may be laid on their Persons, or Personal Estate, during this Session of Parliament, be assessed only in the Place where such Members have their Mansion-houses,

Members of Parliament to be taxed at their Mansion-houses.

Mansion-houses, or other Places where they most usually reside during the Interval of Parliament; and in case any Assessor or Commissioner shall assess or cause to be assessed any Member of Parliament, contrary to the Provision hereby made, he or they shall forfeit to the Party grieved the Sum of Forty Pounds, to be recovered by Action of Debt, or upon the Case, together with Full Costs of Suit; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

First Meeting for the *West Riding* of *York* at *Pontefract*; *North Riding* at *Thursk*; *East Riding* at *Beverley*.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the First General Meeting of the Commissioners for the West Riding of the County of York shall be held at the Town of Pontefract; and the First General Meeting of the Commissioners for the North Riding of the County of York, shall be held at the Town of Thursk; and the First General Meeting of the Commissioners for the East Riding of the County of York, shall be held at the Town of Beverley; any thing in this Act before mentioned, or any former Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

No Commissioner capable to act in any County at large, unless rated at 100 *l. per Ann.* (*Merioneth*, *Cardigan*, &c. excepted.)

Provided also, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person shall be capable of acting as a Commissioner in the Execution of this Act, or any of the Powers therein contained, in or for any County at large, within England, the Dominion of Wales, (the Counties of Merioneth, Cardigan, Carmarthen, Glamorgan, Montgomery, Pembroke, and Monmouth excepted) or in or for any of the Ridings in the County of York; unless such Person be seized and possessed of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, being Freehold, Copyhold, or Leasehold, over and above all Ground Rents, Incumbrances, and other Reservations, payable out of or in respect of such Leasehold Estates, which were taxed, or did pay, in the same County or Riding, for the Value of One hundred Pounds per Annum, or more, of his own Estate, by virtue of an Act made and passed in the Twenty ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in *Great Britain*, for the Service of this Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty six, and for the Relief of the Inhabitants of the City and County of the City of *Lincoln*, in respect of Arrears of the Land Tax.

Commissioners for *Anglesea*, &c. to act, if taxed at 60 *l. per Ann.*

Provided nevertheless, That any Person herein named a Commissioner in and for the County of Anglesea or Carnarvon, shall be capable of acting as a Commissioner in the Execution of this Act, in or for the same Counties, or either of them, being himself, or his Tenants, or Trustees, taxed for the Value of Sixty Pounds per Annum, or more, of his own Estate, by virtue of the said Act of the Twenty ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign.

Provided

Commissioners may act for any City, being Inhabitants, or Inns of Court, &c.

Provided nevertheless, and it is also hereby enacted, That no Person who is hereby appointed to be a Commissioner for executing this Act in any Part of England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, shall be disabled from acting as a Commissioner within or for any City, Borough, Cinque-port, or Town-corporate only, for which he is particularly nominated and appointed a Commissioner, and whereof he shall be an Inhabitant at the Time of the Execution of this Act, nor from acting as a Commissioner, within any of the Inns of Court, or Inns of Chancery;

Attornies, &c not to be Commissioners, without possessing 100 *l. per Annum.*

and that no Attorney or Solicitor, or Person practising as such, who shall not be seized and possessed of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, being Freehold, Copyhold, or Leasehold, over and above all Ground Rents, Incumbrances, and other Reservations, payable out of or in respect of such Leasehold Estates, which were rated or did pay in the same County or Riding, City, Borough, Town-corporate, Cinque-port, or Place, for which he shall be named a Commissioner, or within the County at large, within which such City, Borough, Town-corporate, Cinque-port, or Place, for which he shall be named a Commissioner, doth stand, or which is next adjoining thereto, for the Value of One hundred Pounds per Annum, or more, of his own Estate, by virtue of an Act made and passed in the Twenty ninth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in *Great Britain*, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty six; and for the Relief of the Inhabitants of the City and County of the City of *Lincoln*, in respect of Arrears of the Land Tax, or any Receiver-general, or any Collector of any Aid granted to His Majesty, shall be capable of acting as a Commissioner in the Execution of this present Act, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

No Commissioner of the City of *London*, or Liberty of St. *Martin le Grand*, to act, unless rated at 20 *l. per Ann.* of his own Estate, &c.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person shall be capable of acting as a Commissioner in the Execution of this Act, or any of the Powers herein contained, within the City of London, and Liberty of Saint Martin le Grand, unless such Person be seized and possessed of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, being Freehold, Copyhold, or Leasehold, over and above all Ground Rents, Incumbrances, and other Reservations, payable out of, or in respect of such Leasehold Estates, which were rated, or did pay in the said City or Liberty for the Value of Twenty Pounds per Annum, or more, of his own Estate, or unless such Person was rated, or did pay in the said City

or Liberty for the Value of One hundred and fifty Pounds Personal Estate, or more, by virtue of an Act made and passed in the Twenty ninth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in *Great Britain*, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty six; and for Relief of the Inhabitants of the City and County of the City of *Lincoln*, in respect of Arrears of the Land Tax.

No Commissioner of the City, &c. of *Westminster* to act, unless rated at 20 *l. per Ann.* of his own Estate.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person shall be capable of acting as a Commissioner in the Execution of this Act, or any of the Powers herein contained, within the City and Liberty of Westminster, unless such Person be seized and possessed of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, being Freehold, Copyhold, or Leasehold, over and above all Ground Rents, Incumbrances, and other Reservations, payable out of, or in respect of such Leasehold Estates, which were rated, or did pay in the said City or Liberty for the Value of Twenty Pounds per Annum, or more, of his own Estate, by virtue of an Act made and passed in the Twenty eighth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in *Great Britain*, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty five; and for the Relief of the Inhabitants of certain Places in the County of *Lincoln*, in respect of Arrears of the Land Tax.

Persons disabled, presuming to act, to forfeit 50 *l.*

And it is hereby further enacted, That if any Person intended by this Act to be disabled for any the Causes aforesaid, shall nevertheless presume to act as a Commissioner in the Execution of this Act, or any the Powers therein contained, every such Person, for every such Offence, shall forfeit the Sum of Fifty Pounds to any Person or Persons who will inform or sue for the same; to be recovered in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record, by Action of Debt, or on the Case, Bill, Suit, or Information, wherein no Essoin, Protection, Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance shall be allowed.

Collectors of the New Water-works in *Exon*, chargeable.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the respective Persons, who have received or collected, or shall receive or collect, the yearly Profits of the New Water-works within the City and County of Exon, for the time being, shall be, and are hereby charged and chargeable with the Payment of the Tax that shall be assessed on the said Profits respectively by this Act, to be levied in such Manner as other Aids and Assessments in and by this Act are directed; and the respective Persons so charged as aforesaid, and paying the same, shall

be allowed the same on their respective Accounts by their respective Employers or Proprietors for the time being; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Their Royal Highnesses the Princess Dowager of *Wales*, and Prince of *Wales*, not chargeable,

Provided always, and it is hereby declared, That this Act, or any thing herein contained, shall not charge, or be construed to charge, Her Royal Highness the Princess Dowager of Wales, or His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, with the above-mentioned Duty or Payment of Four Shillings out of every Twenty Shillings by the Year, for or in respect of any Sums of Money or Annuities given or granted by His Majesty to Their said Royal Highnesses; but that such Sums of Money and Annuities, and their Royal Highnesses, and Their Treasurers or Receivers-general for the time being, shall be free and clear of all Taxes, Impositions, and other publick Charges whatsoever; any thing in this or any former Act to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

nor His Royal Highness the Duke of *Cumberland*, nor the Princess Royal, nor the Princesses.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act, or any thing herein contained, shall not charge, or be construed, deemed, or taken to charge His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, or Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal, or Their Royal Highnesses the Princess Amelia, or the Princess Caroline, or the Officers or Servants attending their Persons, with the above-mentioned Duty or Payment of Four Shillings out of every Twenty Shillings by the Year, for or in respect of any Annuities, or yearly Payments, granted or to be granted by His Majesty to Their said Royal Highnesses; but that such Annuities, or yearly Payments, and Their Royal Highnesses, and Their Servants for the time being, in respect of the same, shall be free and clear from all Taxes, Impositions, and other Charges whatsoever.

Superannuated Sea-officers not to pay, *&c.* nor poor Knights of *Windsor*.

Provided always, That this Act, or any of the several Clauses therein contained, shall not extend to charge the Pensions of any superannuated Commission or Warrant Sea-officers, or the Pensions of Widows of Sea-officers, slain in the Service of the Crown; or the Revenue of the Most Noble Order of the Garter; or the Pensions of the poor Knights of Windsor, payable out of the Exchequer only; but the same shall not extend to lessen the Sum provided by this Act.

Residentiaries in what Cases not chargeable.

And whereas the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Residentiaries of the Cathedral Churches in England and Wales are chargeable to the Land Tax granted by this present Act, and in some Cases the Overplus of the said Rents and Revenues, above such Tax, Repairs, and other

Charges, is to go in Shares for the Maintenance of the said Residentiaries, which Shares are diminished by the said Land Tax; it is provided and enacted, That in such Cases the said Residentiaries shall not, by this Act, or any the Clauses therein contained, be further chargeable, as enjoying Offices of Profit out of the said Rents and Revenues; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Nor 100 *l. per Ann.* to the poor Clergy of the Isle of *Man*.

Provided, That this Act, or any of the several Clauses therein contained, shall not extend to charge a certain Pension of One hundred Pounds per Annum, granted by the late King Charles the Second to the poor Clergy of the Isle of Man.

Nor Pages of Honour.

Provided always, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to lay any Charge or Duty upon the Pensions or Salaries of his Majesty's Pages of Honour.

Receivers-general to give Notice of Failures in Payment of the Taxes.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That in case there hath been, or shall be, any Failure of raising or paying the several Sums of Money charged upon any County, City, Riding, or Place, by this or any former Acts for granting an Aid to his late Majesty King William the Third, or her late Majesty Queen Anne, or his late Majesty King George, or his present Majesty, by a Land Tax; the Receiver-general of such County, City, Riding, Division, or Place respectively, of such Tax or Assessment, or the Receiver-general to be appointed in pursuance of this Act, of the same County, Riding, Division, City, or Place, shall certify, under his Hand, to the Barons of the Court of Exchequer, the particular City, Town, Parish, or Place, where such Failure of Payment hath happened, together with the Names of the Assessors and Collectors, and the several other Persons belonging to the said City, Town, Parish, or Place, charged with the said Tax; which said City, Town, Parish, or Place, or any Person or Persons charged with the said Tax, within such City, Town, Parish, or Place, shall be liable to Process for such Neglect in raising and paying the same, according to the Directions of the said Act.

Commissioners for *Lincoln* to act in *Lincoln Close*.

Provided always, That the Commissioners appointed for the County of the City of Lincoln, may act as Commissioners in the Execution of this Act, or any the Powers therein contained, within the Bail and Close of Lincoln; any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

And for the County, in St. *Martin Stamford Baron*.

Provided always, That the Commissioners for the County of Lincoln may act as Commissioners in the Execution of this Act, or any the Powers therein contained, within the Parish of Saint Martin Stamford Baron, in the

the County of Northampton, as usually; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Auditor to keep a Register, &c.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be provided and kept in his Majesty's Exchequer (that is to say) in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt, One Book of Register, in which all the Money, that shall be paid into the Exchequer for the Pound-rates and Duties hereby granted, shall be entered and registered apart and distinct from all other Monies paid and payable to his Majesty.

Deputies to pay for Principals, and on Nonpayment liable to Distress.

And whereas divers Offices and Employments of Profit, chargeable by this Act, are executed by Deputy, and the principal Officers living in Places remote from the Division, Parish, or Place, where such Offices or Employments are taxable, the Rates and Assessments for such particular Offices and Employments cannot be recovered without great Charge and Difficulty: be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That where any Office or Employment of Profit, chargeable by this Act, is or shall be executed by Deputy, such Deputy shall pay such Assessment as shall be charged thereon, and deduct the same out of the Profits of such Office or Employment; and in case of Refusal, or Nonpayment thereof, such Deputy shall be liable to such Distress as by this Act is prescribed against any Person having and enjoying any Office or Employment of Profit, and to all other Remedies, and Penalties therein respectively contained; and that there shall be the like Remedies and Penalties, for the recovering the Monies assessed upon any such Office or Employment of Profit to the Land Tax for the Year One thousand seven hundred and six, and for any subsequent Year not yet satisfied, in all Cases where the Accounts of those Years, or any of them, are not otherwise cleared in the Exchequer.

Receiver-general to give a List of Money received by him, at the Time and Place appointed.

And it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That at every Time and Place, appointed by the Commissioners for the Collectors to pay in the Monies by virtue of this Act to be paid to the Receiver-general, or his Deputy, for any County, City, Riding, Town, or Place, in England, Wales, or Berwick upon Tweed, the said Receiver-general, or his Deputy, under his Hand, shall deliver a List or Certificate, fairly written, to such Person as the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, shall, under their Hands, authorize and appoint to attend them and there for that Purpose, containing the several and respective Sums of Money, then and there, or before that Time, paid by the respective Collectors for each Town or Place in that Hundred or Division:

Division: And in case there shall be any Refusal or Neglect in delivering such List or Certificate as aforesaid, such Receiver-general, or his Deputy, so refusing or neglecting, shall forfeit any Sum of Money, not exceeding Twenty Pounds, to be imposed by any Three or more of the said Commissioners, and to be ordered, levied, and answered into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, in such Manner as by this Act is directed, touching the Fines imposed on Assessors and Collectors, as aforesaid.

On Refusal, to forfeit any Sum not exceeding 20 *l.*

And be it enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That where any Person or Persons, who, in pursuance of any former Act or Acts for granting an Aid to her late Majesty Queen Anne, or his late Majesty King George, or his present Majesty, by a Land Tax, have seized or distrained, or in pursuance of this Act shall seize or distrain the Goods or Chattles of any Collector, his Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, on Nonpayment of any Sum or Sums of Money, which such Collector, his Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, was or shall be obliged to pay by virtue of this or any former Act; it shall and may be lawful to and for such Person or Persons making such Distress, out of the Money arising by the Sale of such Goods and Chattles (such Sum and Sums of Money, for which Distress shall or may be made, being first thereout satisfied and paid) to keep in his or their Hands, to and for his and their own Use, so much Money, as the Commissioners, or any Two or more of them (who ordered, or shall order, such Distress) shall in their Discretion judge reasonable for making such Distress, as also for the Charges in keeping thereof, or otherwise relating thereto, rendering the Overplus (if any be) to the Owner.

Collectors may keep so much Money as any 2 Commissioners judge reasonable.

And whereas some Receivers of former Land Taxes have neglected or delayed the passing their Accounts in the Exchequer in due Time, and have, after several Years elapsed, set insuper some Counties, Divisions, or Places, for Monies which were there raised, and for the answering whereof due Proof might have been made, in case such Receivers had accounted sooner, whereby several Counties, Divisions, and Places, have been put to unreasonable Charge and Vexation; it is therefore hereby provided, declared, and enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That no Receiver whatsoever of any Monies granted by this Act, to be raised in England, Wales, or the Town of Berwick upon Tweed, or any Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, of such Receiver, shall, in any Accounts of the

No Receiver to return an *Insuper* upon any County, &c. after 3 Years, for Monies in Arrear,

Monies wherewith such Receiver shall be chargeable (unless such Account be declared and passed in the Exchequer within Three Years at the farthest after the Twenty fourth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and fifty six) be allowed or admitted to set insuper, or charge any County, Division, or Place, in England, Wales, or the Town of Berwick upon Tweed, for any Monies granted by this Act, which shall be in Arrear, and unpaid; but that the same shall remain a Debt upon every such Receiver, to be answered by him and his Securities, his and their Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, Lands, Tenements, Goods, and Chattles respectively; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

but the same to be a Debt on him and his Securities.

And whereas in the Accounts of Receivers-general and others, accounting for former Aids by a Land Tax, many Insupers have been set upon divers Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, Parishes, and other Places, and the Inhabitants, or Collectors thereof, for Money in arrear, and unpaid, of the said former Aids: And whereas the usual and proper Method of compelling the Payment of such Sums so set insuper, is by Process of Distringas: And whereas divers Sheriffs, or their Under-Sheriffs, or other Officers, who have the Execution of such Process, favouring such Inhabitants, or Collectors, have returned Issues upon the said Writs so to them directed, so small and inconsiderable, that in many Instances such Method of Proceeding hath been found insufficient to compel the Payment of such Arrears, whereby great Loss hath happened to His Majesty, and the Publick, and further Losses may hereafter happen, unless some Remedy be provided for the Prevention thereof: And whereas, in many Instances, it may be hurtful to Purchasers of the old Arrears of such Aids, incurred before they became Purchasers, and of which they had no Notice or Suspicion at the Time of their Purchases, should be now raised, in which Case such Purchasers would be contributory thereto, in Proportion to the Value of their Estates; and where Estates have been sold in Parcels to different Purchasers, great Controversies and Disputes may arise concerning the Proportions which the several Purchasers ought to pay towards the Discharge of such Arrears: And whereas many Receivers, their Executors or Administrators, have formerly set Insupers upon Places, and Inhabitants, in Cases where the Money had been paid; and yet, by Length of Time, the Proofs of such Payments have become

become exceeding difficult; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Insupers set in the Accounts of any Receiver-general, or others accounting for any Aid granted to His Majesty, His late Majesty King George the First, Queen Anne, King William the Third, and King William and Queen Mary, or any of them, before the Twenty fourth Day of June, which was in the Twentieth year of His present Majesty's Reign, shall be, and are hereby absolutely discharged; and that all Issues returned upon all Writs of Distringas issued upon the Insupers hereby discharged, and no other, be, and the same are hereby also absolutely discharged; and that no further or other Process shall issue upon such Insupers, or Issues, or any of them; and the King's Remembrancer, the Treasurer's Remembrancer, and the Clerk of the Pipe in the Exchequer, and their respective sworn Clerks to whom it doth appertain, are hereby authorized and required to discharge the same in their respective Offices.

Insupers set in the Accounts of any Receiver-general before 24 *June*, 1746, discharged; and Process and Issues thereupon to cease, &c.

and the same to be discharged in the proper Offices.

And, for the better preventing the like Mischiefs and Loss for the future, be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That upon every such Writ of Distringas hereafter to be issued upon any such Insuper, the Sheriff, or other Officer to whom the same shall be directed, shall return Issues after the Rate of Five Pounds, at least, for every Hundred Pounds of the Sum set insuper; which Issues so returned shall be forthwith drawn down into the great Roll of the Pipe; and Process, according to the Course of the Exchequer, shall issue for levying the same at the First General Issuing of Process for His Majesty, His Heirs, or Successors, out of and under the Seal of the said Exchequer, unless the Lord Treasurer, or Commissioners of the Treasury, or Chancellor of the Exchequer, or the Barons of the Exchequer, or One of them, shall, upon just Cause, think fit to order the drawing down such Issues into the Pipe, or the issuing such Process, to be respited till a further Day.

Sheriff, on Writs of *Distringas*, to return Issues after the Rate of 5*l.* *per Cent.* of the Sum set *insuper*;

and Process to issue thereupon, &c.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the respective Persons who have received or collected, or shall receive or collect the yearly Profits of the Water-works within the Town of Shrewsbury, shall be, and are hereby, charged and chargeable with the Payment of the Tax that shall be assessed on the said Profits by this Act, to be levied in such Manner as other Aids and Assessments in and by this Act are directed; and the respective Persons so charged as aforesaid, and paying the same, shall be allowed the same on their Accounts, by the Proprietors thereof for the

Water-works in *Shrewsbury* chargeable.

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time being; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And whereas by and in pursuance of certain Clauses, which are contained in the several Acts of Parliament for the Land Tax, which passed in the Reign of Their late Majesties Queen Anne, and King George the First, and in the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty first, Twenty second, Twenty third, Twenty fourth, Twenty fifth, Twenty sixth, Twenty seventh, Twenty eighth, and Twenty ninth Years of His present Majesty's Reign, several Parishes and Places have been discharged by the Barons of the Exchequer, of certain Overplus Sums, wherewith they were respectively overburthened, by reason of double Taxes formerly charged upon them; and the like Overplus Sums are not comprehended in the Proportions by this Act charged upon the Counties, Cities, or other Places, wherein the said Parishes or Places formerly overburthened as aforesaid, were situate: It is hereby declared and enacted, That the Ease so given shall accrue only to the respective Parishes or Places formerly overburthened as aforesaid, and shall not be construed or taken to lessen, abate, or discharge any of the Sums or Proportions to be raised in any other City, Borough, Parish, Town, or Place whatsoever.

Who shall have the Benefit only of Overplus Sums uncharged.

And whereas the Sums that were assessed by virtue of the Act for the former Aid of Four Shillings in the Pound, which was made and passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of Their late Majesties King William and Queen Mary, do not only govern the Proportions set upon every County, City, Riding, Town, or other Place, hereby charged with a certain Sum in this Act set down and expressed; but are also to regulate the Proportions thereof in every Hundred or Division respectively, towards the said Sum of One million nine hundred eighty nine thousand nine hundred twenty Pounds, and Eight Pence: And whereas towards the Assessments which were made by virtue of the said Act of the Fourth Year of Their said late Majesties Reign, several Lands, Tenements, Rents, or other Hereditaments of Papists, and other Persons, for refusing or neglecting to take the Oaths therein contained, were assessed to pay double the Rates therein expressed; and since the making those Assessments, several of the said Papists, and other Persons, which were so doubly taxed, have taken the said Oaths, or their Lands are come-

Clause for the Ease of Protestants, to whom Lands, &c. have come, which have been doubly taxed.

to Protestants, whereby their Estates will be charged on this Act only to such an equal Pound-rate, as is to be borne by their Protestant Neighbours; and several of the said Papists, and other Persons, formerly doubly taxed as aforesaid, are since dead, or have bona fide sold their Estates, and the Estates which belonged to such Persons do now belong to Persons not liable to the said double Assessments; and by Occasion of the said former double Rates, which were on the said Papists, or Persons who have since taken the said Oaths, or whose Estates are since come to Protestants, as aforesaid, some Parishes, Townships, or other Places, may be overburthened, or charged with more than Four Shillings in the Pound (reckoning by the Rack-rent, and utmost improved Value of their Estates) towards the said Sum of One million nine hundred eighty nine thousand nine hundred twenty Pounds, and Eight Pence, if a suitable Remedy be not provided: Be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That where the Lands, Tenements, Rents, or Hereditaments of a whole Parish, Town, or Place, which shall have a Proportion to raise, in pursuance of this Act, shall be charged with more than Four Shillings in the Pound, upon the yearly Value (reckoning by the Rack-rents, and the highest Improvements made of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments) towards the said Sum of One million nine hundred eighty nine thousand nine hundred twenty Pounds, and Eight Pence, by this Act granted, because the Estates of Papists, and other Persons formerly doubly taxed, as aforesaid, by their taking the said Oaths, or the Estates being come to Protestants by Purchase bona fide, or the Death of such Papists, or any other Persons formerly doubly taxed, as aforesaid, are or may be liable only to a single Assessment; in all and every such Case and Cases, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Commissioners of the Hundred, Lathe, Wapentake, Rape, Ward, or other Division, in which such Parish, Town, or Place doth lie, or any Two or more of them, and in like Manner to and for the Commissioners of any City, Borough, Port, or Town for which Commissioners are by this Act appointed, or any Two or more of them, upon Complaint thereof to them made, for or on Behalf of the Owners or Occupiers of the Lands, Tenements, Rents, and Hereditaments in any such City, Borough, Port, Parish, Town, or Place respectively, to examine into the Matter of such Complaint; and if they are satisfied of the Truth thereof, the said Commissioners, or any Two or more of them,

Where Lands formerly doubly taxed are liable only to a single Assessment;

Commissioners, on Complaint, to examine into the Truth thereof,

and to certify the same to the Barons of the *Exchequer*, before 29 *Sept.* 1757;

are hereby required and impowered, at any Time before the Twenty ninth Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and not afterwards, to certify to the Barons of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer for the time being, the Names of such Persons formerly doubly taxed, as aforesaid, and how much their Double Tax did amount to, and how much the Sum charged by virtue of this Act, upon the Lands, Tenements, Rents, or Hereditaments, in such City, Borough, Port, Parish, Town, or Place, by Occasion of their Lands being now liable to a single Assessment, as aforesaid, doth exceed Four Shillings in the Pound of the full and true yearly Value thereof: And the said Barons of the Exchequer, or any Two or more of them, are hereby authorized and required to enquire and inform themselves, by the Oaths of Two credible Witnesses at least, concerning the Truth of the said Certificates; and in all Cases where they shall be satisfied therein, the said Barons, or any Two or more of them, have hereby Power by their Discretions, at any Time before the last Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, to discharge, or cause to be discharged, the Overplus, or so much of the Sum by this Act charged or chargeable upon such City, Borough, Town, Parish, or Place, towards the said Sum of One million nine hundred eighty nine thousand nine hundred twenty Pounds, and Eight Pence, as shall, by the Occasions aforesaid, exceed the Rate of Four Shillings in the Pound; and the said Overplus shall or may be discharged upon the Duplicates to be returned for such City, Borough, Town, Port, Parish, or Place respectively, and shall be allowed upon the Account of the respective Receivers-general; and the Inhabitants of every such City, Borough, Port, Parish, Town, or Place, shall be acquitted against His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, for and touching the Payment of such Overplus Monies so discharged, or ordered to be discharged, by the Barons of the Exchequer, or any Two or more of them, as aforesaid; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding; and that such Parish, Town, Port, or Place, so discharged by the Barons, and no others, shall have the Benefit of the Sums so discharged by this Act; and no other Officer, or Deputy or Clerk whatsoever, shall take any Fee, Reward, or Gratuity, for or upon account of such Discharge.

who are to discharge the Overplus before the last Day of *Nov.* 1757.

The Sums discharged, to be abated out of the Sums laid on such respective City, &c. only.

And it is hereby declared, That the Overplus Sums so discharged, shall be abated out of the Sums laid on such respective City, Town, Parish, or Place only; and

shall

shall not be construed or taken to lessen, abate, or discharge, any of the Sums or Proportions to be raised in any other City, Borough, Town, Parish, or Place whatsoever. Which said respective Certificate or Certificates, or a true Copy or Copies thereof, whereby the said Parish or Parishes, Place or Places, have been discharged by the said Barons of the Exchequer of such Overplus Sums, shall be produced by the Persons claiming the Benefit thereof, to the Commissioners of the Land Tax at their next General Meeting, to ascertain the Proportion on each Division, after such Certificate or Certificates have been obtained.

Certificates of the Sums discharged to be produced to the Commissioners at their next Meeting.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Commissioners who shall have Power to execute this present Act, within any Hundred, Division, Parish, or Place respectively (other than such Commissioners as have been Collectors of any Land Tax there) or the major Part of them, who shall be present at any publick Meeting or Meetings for this Purpose, at their usual Place of Meeting for such Hundred, Division, Parish, or Place respectively, to issue their Precept or Precepts to all and every such Collector or Collectors, who are or shall be suspected by such Commissioners, or the major Part of them then present, to have received or levied any Sum or Sums of Money within any Parish or Township, by or under Colour or Pretext of any Act or Acts of Parliament, which at any Time or Times within Seven Years next before the Beginning of this Session of Parliament have been made or passed for granting to his Majesty a Land Tax or Land Taxes, jointly with any other Tax or Taxes in such Act or Acts comprehended, and to have converted the same fraudulently to his and their own Use and Uses; and if such Collector or Collectors be dead, then to issue such Precept to their Heirs, Executors, or Administrators respectively, thereby requiring all and every such Collector or Collectors, their Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, to appear before the said Commissioners, at the Time and Place in such Precept or Precepts to be prefixed: And upon their, or any of their Appearances, or making Default (after Summons delivered to them, or left at the usual Places of their Abode respectively) the said Commissioners, in their respective Divisions or Districts, or the major Part of them, which shall be present at any Meeting or Meetings in this Behalf, as aforesaid, shall and have hereby Power to enquire by Examination of Witnesses upon Oath, or any other lawful Ways or Means, by which the Truth may be best

Commissioners may summon Collectors, who have converted Land Tax Monies to their own Use.

or their Heirs, &c.

best known, and to determine what Sum or Sums of Money the said Collectors, or any of them, did receive or levy, or fraudulently convert to their own Use or Uses as aforesaid; and thereupon to issue their Warrants and Orders, requiring all and every such Collector or Collectors, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators respectively, in whose hands the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall find any such Money to be remaining, or shall be chargeable therewith respectively, to pay the same to His Majesty's Use, in Manner following (that is to say) in case there be any Deficiency remaining upon any such Parish or Township, of the Quota or Proportion charged thereupon to the Tax imposed by the Act or Acts, whereby or by Colour whereof, the Money found, as aforesaid, was collected or levied; then every such Deficiency shall be satisfied, in the first Place out of the Monies so to be recovered, or the same Monies, so far as they will extend, shall be applied for or towards the making good of every such Deficiency respectively; and in all Cases where there is no Deficiency upon any such Parish or Township, or there shall be an Overplus more than sufficient to discharge any such Deficiency, the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall by their said Order require the said Monies so found, or the Overplus thereof, to be paid by the said respective Collectors, their Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, to the Receiver-general, towards discharging so much of the Proportions to be charged on such Parish or Township, by virtue of this present Act.

and on Examination may issue their Warrants for paying such Monies to His Majesty's Use.

And it is hereby declared and enacted, That such Payments so to be made in pursuance of the said Orders or Warrants of the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, as aforesaid, shall be good and sufficient Discharges to the said Collectors, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators respectively, against His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, and all other Persons whatsoever.

The Payments made according to the Commissioners Warrants, &c. shall be Discharges to the Collectors, or their Heirs, &c.

And it is hereby declared and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any such Collector as aforesaid, shall neglect or refuse to pay any Sum or Sums of Money according to such Order of the said Commissioners as aforesaid, within the Time or Times by such Order or Orders to be limited; the said Commissioners for each Hundred, Parish, or Place, or any Two or more of them, in their respective Divisions or Districts, are hereby authorized and impowered to imprison the Person of every such Collector, till he makes Payment of the said

Collectors not paying, may be imprisoned, and their Estates seized and sold.

Money; and to seize and secure the Estate as well Freehold as Copyhold, and all other Estate, both Real and Personal, of such Collector, to him belonging, or which shall descend or come into the Hands or Possession of his Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, wheresoever the same can be discovered or found; and the said Commissioners, who shall so seize and secure the Estate of any such Collector or Collectors, shall be, and are hereby impowered to appoint a Time for a General Meeting of the said Commissioners for such Hundred, Division, Parish, or Place, and to cause publick Notice to be given of the Place where such Meeting shall be appointed, Six Days at least before such Meeting; and the Commissioners present at such Meeting, or the major Part of them (in case the Monies detained be not paid and satisfied as it ought to be, according to the Directions of this Act) shall, and are hereby impowered and required to sell and dispose of all such Estates, which shall be for the Cause aforesaid seized and secured, or any Part thereof; and, out of the Monies arising by such Sale, to satisfy and pay (in Manner prescribed by this Act) the Sum which shall be detained in the Hands of such Collector or Collectors, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators respectively, with the Charges of recovering, raising, and paying the same; and the Overplus (if any be) to be restored to such Person as owned the said Estate before the Sale thereof; any former Act or Acts of Parliament, or other Matter or Thing, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Arrears of former Land Taxes to be levied by the present Commissioners.

And whereas several Arrears of Land Taxes, granted by former Acts of Parliament, do still remain unsatisfied, which ought to have been levied, assessed, or re-assessed by the respective Commissioners in such Acts named or appointed, some of which being since dead, or removed to distant Places; it is hereby declared and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners by this Act named or appointed, or so many of them as are hereby impowered to cause the Monies by this Act granted to be assessed or raised, shall, and they are hereby impowered to cause the Monies so in Arrear upon the said Land Taxes, to be assessed, re-assessed, levied, and answered, as fully and effectually as any Commissioners appointed by former Acts might have done in that Behalf; and the said Assessors, Collectors, and Receivers, shall respectively assess, re-assess, levy, receive, and answer the several Arrears, in such Manner, and under such Penalties, and by such Means, and as fully and effectually as in this Act they

are impowered and required, with respect to the several Sums by this Act charged.

No Receiver-general, or his Agents, may sue the County for a Robbery, unless the Persons carrying the Money be 3 in Company.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Receiver-general of any of the Taxes by this Act granted, or any of his Agent or Agents, Servant or Servants, by him employed for the carrying any of the Monies to be received for or on Account of the said Taxes, shall maintain any Action or Actions against any Hundred or Hundreds in that Part of Great Britain called England, for or upon Account of his or their being robbed on the King's Highway of any of the said Monies, unless the Person or Persons carrying such Monies, shall, at the Time of such Robbery, be together in Company, and be in Number Three at the least, to attest the Truth of his or their being so robbed; any Law, Statute, or Provision to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

Tolls or Duties on Turnpikes not chargeable by this or any former Act.

And whereas by virtue of several Acts of Parliament specially made, or to be made, for the better repairing of certain publick Roads, Turnpikes have been or may be set up, and Tolls or Duties taken for repairing the said Roads; it is hereby provided and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That such Tolls and Duties are not, and shall not be liable to be rated or taxed towards the Aid granted by this Act, or towards any Aid granted by any former Act for a Land Tax; and that the several Officers and Persons employed, or to be employed in collecting such Tolls, and repairing such Roads, shall not be liable to be taxed or rated in any Manner whatsoever, by reason of their said Offices or Employments, or any Salary arising thereby; this Act, or any other Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

Commissioners may, before 29 *Sept.* 1757. summon Assessors, who have not charged their Estates since 6 *May*, 1717.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That where the Commissioners appointed to execute this present Act in any County, Division, Hundred, Riding, City, Town, or Place, or any Five or more of them, shall have good Reason to suspect that the Assessors appointed for any Parish or Place, pursuant to any Act or Acts of Parliament for granting an Aid or Aids to the Crown by a Land Tax or Land Taxes, have, in Fraud of any Parish or Place for which they are Assessors, since the Sixth Day of May, One thousand seven hundred and seventeen, been omitted to be charged or assessed for any of their own Estates, which ought to have been charged or assessed to such Land Tax or Land Taxes, it shall be lawful for such Commissioners for such County, Division, Hundred, City, Riding, Town, or Place respectively, or any Five or more of

of them, and they are hereby authorized and required, at such convenient Time or Times before the Twenty ninth Day of September, which shall be in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, to summon and call before them the Assessors for the time being, since the said Sixth Day of May, One thousand seven hundred and seventeen, for such Parishes and Places respectively, and to examine such Assessors, or any of them, or any other Person or Persons, upon Oath (which Oath or Oaths the said Commissioners are hereby impowered and required to administer) for Discovery or Proof of any such Fraud or Omission, since the said Sixth Day of May, One thousand seven hundred and seventeen; and as the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them present, shall find the Case to be, they shall compute the Wrong which any such Parish or Place hath sustained by Reason or Occasion of any such Fraud or Omission, and shall award Satisfaction to be made accordingly to such Parishes or Places respectively, by the respective Assessors, whose Estates have been so omitted to be charged or assessed as aforesaid; and the said Commissioners shall, by Warrant or Warrants under their Hands and Seals, cause the Sum or Sums so awarded to be levied upon the Persons, or the Executors or Administrators of the Persons respectively, who have been so omitted to be charged or assessed as aforesaid, and upon their Goods and Chattles respectively; all which Sums so to be levied shall be paid into the Hands of the Collectors of the Land Tax, to be appointed pursuant to this Act for such respective Parishes and Places, to the end the said Parishes and Places respectively may have the Benefit thereof, and may be eased accordingly in their Proportion to this present Aid, or to the next Aid or Aids which shall be granted to His Majesty, His Heirs, or Successors, by a Land Tax: Provided nevertheless, That the Quota of the Aid granted to His Majesty shall not be lessened for any such Parish or Place.

and examine them upon Oath.

and award Satisfaction,

to be levied and paid to the Collectors.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That such Commissioners as are by this Act required to transmit, or cause to be transmitted, the above-mentioned Schedules or Duplicates in the King's Remembrancer's Office of the Exchequer, or any Three or more of them, shall, and they are hereby required, in every such Schedule or Duplicate, to distinguish and set down, or cause to be distinguished and set down, the gross Sum which shall be assessed, charged, or payable in every Hundred or Division respectively, by virtue of this Act, for double Taxes,

Commissioners, &c. to distinguish and set down the gross Sums assessed for double Taxes, to be transmitted into the Exchequer.

Cares, that so it may be known how much the double Cares arising by this Act do or will amount to in every Hundred and Division, where any such shall be.

Assessments on the Town of *Cambridge* to be raised on Manors, &c.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Sum appointed by this Act to be raised by the Town of Cambridge, shall be raised and levied by rating all Manors, Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, Woods, Underwoods, Coppices, Fishings, Locks, Wears, and Sluices, upon the River Cam, *alias* Grant, Tithes, Tolls, Markets, Fairs, Booths, Stalls, and Standings in such Fairs and Markets, and the Rents and Profits of the same, and all other Hereditaments, of what Nature or Kind soever they be, situate, lying, and being, happening, or arising in the said Town, or within the Bounds, Limits, and Precincts thereof; and also all Estates in Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, and other Chattles and Personal Estates whatsoever belonging to the said Town, or any the Members of the same, except only such Personal Estate as in this Act before is excepted.

and on Fishings, &c. on the River *Cam*.

And whereas Fairs are usually held for some short Time in the Year only, by Means whereof it may be impossible to levy the Proportions to be assessed by virtue of this Act, on the Fairs to be held within the said Town, or Limits thereof, by such quarterly Payments as by this Act is directed to be done in other Cases; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Collectors to be appointed by virtue of this Act for levying and collecting the said Rates and Cares shall demand the intire Sum which shall be assessed for the whole Year on such Fairs, and the Booths, Stalls, and Standings in the same, from the Parties themselves, who shall set to Sale any Goods or Merchandizes in the said Fairs, Booths, Stalls, or Standings, or otherwise occupy the same, if they can be found, or else upon the Premisses charged with such Assessments, at any Time within Seven Days after the first Proclaiming of such Fair or Fairs; and in Default of Payment thereof shall levy the Sum assessed, by Distress and Sale of all the Goods and Chattles that shall be found in the said Booths, Stalls, or Standings, in such Manner as is herein directed to be done in other Cases.

On whom, and when, yearly Assessments on Fairs, &c. to be collected.

Distress on Default of Payment, how to be levied.

And it is hereby enacted and declared, That the said Collectors shall have all such Powers of making such Distress as is hereby given to Collectors in other Cases; and the several and respective Tenants of all such Booths, Stalls, and Standings, which shall be rated by virtue of this Act, are hereby required and authorized to pay such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be rated thereon, and

Tenants of Booths, &c. to pay the Rates, and deduct them out of their Rents, &c.

to deduct the same out of the Rent payable for such Booths to their respective Landlords.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Sum of Forty seven thousand nine hundred fifty four pounds, one shilling and two pence, by this Act granted, shall be raised and levied in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, by an Eight Months Cess of Five thousand nine hundred ninety four pounds, five shillings, and one penny three farthings, of lawful Money of Great Britain, for every Month; the said Cess to be raised out of the Land Rent of Scotland, according to the monthly Proportions within the respective Shires, Stewartries, Cities, and Boroughs herein after expressed; that is to say,

47,954 *l.* 1 *s.* 2 *d.* to be raised in *Scotland*, by an 8 Months Cess of 5,994 *l.* 5 *s.* 1 *d.* 3 *q.* *per Mensem*;

Within the Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, the monthly Sum of Two hundred fifty four pounds, thirteen shillings, and three pence, of lawful Money of Great Britain.

Within the Sheriffdom of Haddington, the monthly Sum of Two hundred thirty one pounds, six shillings, and three pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Berwick, the monthly Sum of Two hundred thirty three pounds, seventeen shillings, and five pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Roxburgh, the monthly Sum of Three hundred and six pounds, ten shillings, and five pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Selkirk, the monthly Sum of Seventy five pounds, three shillings, and ten pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Peebles, the monthly Sum of Eighty six pounds, thirteen shillings, and two pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Lanerk, the monthly Sum of Two hundred fifty seven pounds, and seven pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Dumfries, the monthly Sum of Two hundred twenty five pounds, ten shillings, and nine pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Wigtown, the monthly Sum of Eighty three pounds, ten shillings, and seven pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright, the monthly Sum of One hundred thirty nine pounds, four shillings, and three pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Air, the monthly Sum of Three hundred twenty one pounds, fifteen shillings, and four pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Dumbarton, the monthly Sum of Sixty three pounds, eleven shillings, and one penny three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Bute, the monthly Sum of Twenty five pounds, ten shillings, and ten pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Renfrew, the monthly Sum of One hundred twelve pounds, ten shillings, and two pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Striveling, the monthly Sum of One hundred forty five pounds, sixteen shillings, and eleven pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Linlithgow, the monthly Sum of Ninety seven pounds, five shillings, and two pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Perth, the monthly Sum of Four hundred eighteen pounds, eighteen shillings, and two pence halfpenny, of like money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Kincardine, the monthly Sum of Eighty one pounds, sixteen shillings, and one penny three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Aberdeen, the monthly Sum of Three hundred thirty nine pounds, and eight shillings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Inverness, the monthly Sum of One hundred pounds, sixteen shillings, and eleven pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Ross, the monthly Sum of One hundred fourteen pounds, eleven shillings, and one penny three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Nairn, the monthly Sum of Twenty three pounds, one shilling, and ten pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Cromarty, the monthly Sum of Five pounds, thirteen shillings, and five pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Argyll, the monthly Sum of One hundred sixty one pounds, eighteen shillings, and five pence, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Fife and Kinross, the monthly Sum of Four hundred thirty pounds, and one penny halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Forfar, the monthly Sum of Two hundred seventy two pounds, three shillings, and seven pence three farthings, of like Money.

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Within the Sheriffdom of Bamff, the monthly Sum of Ninety five pounds, twelve shillings, and seven pence, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Sutherland, the monthly Sum of Twenty seven pounds, eighteen shillings, and eight pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Caithness, the monthly Sum of Forty nine pounds, sixteen shillings, and five pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Elgin, the monthly Sum of Eighty eight pounds, one shilling, and three pence, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Orkney and Zetland, the monthly Sum of Ninety pounds, nine shillings, and eleven pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Sheriffdom of Clackmannan, the monthly Sum of Twenty nine pounds, five shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the City of Edinburgh, the monthly Sum of Three hundred thirty two pounds, eleven shillings, and three pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Perth, the monthly Sum of Thirty eight pounds, eight shillings, and three pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Dundee, the monthly Sum of Sixty pounds, seventeen shillings, and two pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Aberdeen, the monthly Sum of Sixty six pounds, sixteen shillings, and eleven pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Striveling, the monthly Sum of Seventeen pounds, nineteen shillings, and one penny three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Linlithgow, the monthly Sum of Sixteen pounds, nineteen shillings, and two pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the City of Saint Andrew, the monthly Sum of Fourteen pounds, and sixteen shillings, of like Money.

Within the City of Glasgow, the monthly Sum of One hundred nineteen pounds, and fifteen shillings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Air, the monthly Sum of Seventeen pounds, five shillings, and nine pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Haddington, the monthly Sum of Seventeen pounds, nineteen shillings, and one penny three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Dysart, the monthly Sum of Seven pounds, nineteen shillings, and seven pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Kircaldie, the monthly Sum of Twenty two pounds, eighteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Montrose, the monthly Sum of Eighteen pounds, nineteen shillings, and one penny farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Cowper, the monthly Sum of Nine pounds, nineteen shillings, and six pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Anstruther Easter, the monthly Sum of One pound, nineteen shillings, and ten pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Dumfries, the monthly Sum of Sixteen pounds, twelve shillings, and six pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Inverness, the monthly Sum of Seventeen pounds, nineteen shillings, and one penny three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Brunt Island, the monthly Sum of Nineteen pounds, fifteen shillings, and eight pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Innerkeithing, the monthly Sum of Three pounds, nineteen shillings, and nine pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Kinghorn, the monthly Sum of Four pounds, nine shillings, and nine pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Brechin, the monthly Sum of Five pounds, seven shillings, and nine pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Irwin, the monthly Sum of Eight pounds, nineteen shillings, and seven pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Jedburgh, the monthly Sum of Eight pounds, nineteen shillings, and seven pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Kirkcudbright, the monthly Sum of Seven pounds, nineteen shillings, and seven pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Wigtown, the monthly Sum of Six pounds, nineteen shillings, and eight pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Pattenweem, the monthly Sum of Six pounds, thirteen shillings, and one farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Dumfermling, the monthly Sum of Seven pounds, nineteen shillings, and seven pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Anstruther Wester, the monthly Sum of Two pounds, nine shillings, and ten pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Selkirk, the monthly Sum of Six pounds, thirteen shillings, and one farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Dumbarton, the monthly Sum of Four pounds, nineteen shillings, and six pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Renfrew, the monthly Sum of Three pounds, nineteen shillings, and nine pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Dumbar, the monthly Sum of Five pounds, nineteen shillings, and eight pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Lanerk, the monthly Sum of Five pounds, nineteen shillings, and eight pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Aberbrothock, the monthly Sum of Four pounds, nine shillings, and nine pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Elgin, the monthly Sum of Nine pounds, nineteen shillings, and six pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Peebles, the monthly Sum of Five pounds, nineteen shillings, and eight pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Craile, the monthly Sum of Eight pounds, nineteen shillings, and seven pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Tayne, the monthly Sum of Three pounds, nine shillings, and nine pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Culross, the monthly Sum of Three pounds, nineteen shillings, and nine pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Bamff, the monthly Sum of Three pounds, nineteen shillings, and nine pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Whithorn, the monthly Sum of Nineteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Forfar, the monthly Sum of One pound, nineteen shillings, and ten pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Rothesay, the monthly Sum of Two pounds, nineteen shillings, and ten pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Nairn, the monthly Sum of One pound, nine shillings, and eleven pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Forres, the monthly Sum of Two pounds, nine shillings, and ten pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Rutherglen, the monthly Sum of One pound, nine shillings, and eleven pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of North Berwick, the monthly Sum of Nine shillings, and eleven pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Cullen, the monthly Sum of Nineteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Lawder, the monthly Sum of Two pounds, nineteen shillings, and ten pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Kintore, the monthly Sum of Nineteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Kirkcaldy, the monthly Sum of Nineteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Anstruther, the monthly Sum of Nineteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Lockmaben, the monthly Sum of Nineteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Sanquhar, the monthly Sum of Nineteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of New Galloway, the monthly Sum of Nine shillings, and eleven pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Dingwall, the monthly Sum of Nineteen shillings, and eleven pence farthing, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Dornoch, the monthly Sum of One pound, nine shillings, and eleven pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Queensferry, the monthly Sum of Four pounds, nineteen shillings, and nine pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Fortrose, the monthly Sum of Two pounds, nine shillings, and ten pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Inverury, the monthly Sum of One pound, nine shillings, and eleven pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Weike, the monthly Sum of One pound, thirteen shillings, and three pence, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Innerbervey, the monthly Sum of Nine shillings, and eleven pence three farthings, of like Money.

Within the Burgh of Kirkwall, the monthly Sum of Four pounds, nineteen shillings, and nine pence, of like Money.

Within the Burghs of Stragnraver and Cambleton, the monthly Sum of Two pounds, nine shillings, and ten pence halfpenny, of like Money.

Provided always, That the Proportion of the said Burroughs in Scotland, be rated and paid as their Tax Roll now is or shall be settled by themselves; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding. to be rated as the Tax Roll now is or shall be settled by themselves.

And it is hereby enacted, That the said new Supply in Scotland is to be paid at the Terms following; that is to say, The Sum of Eleven thousand nine hundred eighty eight pounds, ten shillings, and three pence halfpenny, of lawful Money of Great Britain, for the First Two Months Cess, shall be payable on or before the Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and the like Sum of Eleven thousand nine hundred eighty eight pounds, ten shillings, and three pence halfpenny, of like Money, as the Second Two Months Cess, on or before the Twenty ninth Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and the like Sum of Eleven thousand nine hundred eighty eight pounds, ten shillings, and three pence halfpenny, of like Money, as the Third Two Months Cess, on or before the Twenty fifth Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and the like Sum of Eleven thousand nine hundred eighty eight pounds, ten shillings, and three pence halfpenny, of like Money, as the remaining Two Months Cess, on or before the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight. The First Two Months Cess to be paid by 24 *June*, 1757. Second 29 *Sept.* 1757. Third 25 *Dec.* 1757. Fourth 25 *March*, 1758.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Person and Persons, who in and by the said Act of Parliament made and passed in the Twenty Commissioners for putting this Act in Execution in *Scotland*.

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by first Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in *Great Britain*, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and forty eight; and by One other Act of the Twenty second Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rectifying Mistakes in the Names of several of the Commissioners appointed to put in Execution the Act for granting a Land Tax for the Year One thousand seven hundred and forty eight; and for appointing other Commissioners, together with those named in the said Act, to put in Execution an Act for granting a Land Tax for the Year One thousand seven hundred and forty nine; and for directing the Names of Collectors of the said Tax to be certified to the Receivers General; and for Relief of the Borough of *Honiton*, as to Arrears of the Land Tax, and the House and Window Taxes, for the Years One thousand seven hundred and forty seven, and One thousand seven hundred and forty eight; and by One other Act of Parliament of the Twenty fourth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax to be raised in *Great Britain* for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty one: and by One other Act of Parliament of the Twenty eighth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax to be raised in *Great Britain* for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty five; and for the Relief of the Inhabitants of certain Places in the County of *Lincoln*, in respect of the Arrears of the Land Tax, or by any or either of those Acts, or by any other Act to which they, or any of them, have Relation, were named, appointed, or authorized to be Commissioners for putting in Execution the same Acts, within the several Shires or Stewartries of Scotland, or such of them who have qualified, or shall qualify themselves according to the Laws of Scotland in that Behalf, shall be Commissioners for ordering, raising, and levying the Supplies in Scotland by this Act granted, in and for the same Shires and Stewartries respectively; which said Commissioners shall put in Execution this present Act, and the Powers therein contained, within and for the same Shires and Stewartries respectively; and the said Commissioners have hereby Power to choose their own Clerk, and to do every thing concerning the said Supply as is prescribed and appointed by the Cess Act of the Sixth of November, One thousand seven hundred and

six, and other Acts made in any former Parliament of Scotland, to which the said Act of the Sixth of November, One thousand seven hundred and six, doth relate, holding the same, as if herein repeated.

And it is hereby further enacted, That Execution shall be done in Scotland for bringing in the said Supply, to be raised there, as is provided by the same Acts in all Points not altered by this Act; and that the First Meeting of the said Commissioners of Shires in Scotland shall be at the respective Head Burghs thereof the Thirtieth Day of April, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and that the Sheriffs and Stewarts, or their Deputies, do intimate the same to the said Commissioners of their Shires and Stewartries; with Power to the said Commissioners to appoint the subsequent Diets of their Meetings, and their Conveners, from time to time; as also to appoint Collectors, with such Caution as they shall think fit.

And Execution to be done as by the said Acts.

First Meeting to be at the Head Burghs on 30 *April*, 1757.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Clauses contained in former Acts of Parliament of Scotland, and Convention of Estates there, in relation to the bringing in of the Cess, and Quartering, and touching Riding-money, shall stand in full Force, as to the Supply now imposed upon Scotland, as if they were herein expressed, and as they were observed before the making this Act.

All Clauses in former Acts relating to the bringing in the Cess, &c. to be in full Force.

And it is hereby declared, That no Person, whether Heretor or Collector, liable in Payment of the said Supply to be raised in Scotland, shall be holden to produce the Receipts and Discharges of the same, after Three Years from the respective Terms of Payment, unless Diligence be done therefore by Denunciation within the said Three Years; in which Case of Diligence by Denunciation, One Year farther is only added to the said Three Years; and none shall be holden to produce the Receipts or Discharges thereafter.

No Persons in *Scotland* holden to produce their Receipts after 3 Years.

And because by the Supply hereby granted to be raised in Scotland, the Lands, Rents, and Burghs there are only burthened, and it being reasonable that the Personal Estates in Money shall bear some Proportional Burthen; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every Debtor owing Money in Scotland, at Six Pounds per Centum Interest, shall, in the Payment of his annual Rents, have Retention in his own Hands of a Sixth Part of Six per Centum, and this Retention to be from the Eleventh Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and fifty six, to the Eleventh Day of November, One

Debtor owing Money in *Scotland* at 6 *per Cent.* to retain a 6th Part of 6 *per Cent.* from 11 *Nov.* 1756, to 11 *Nov.* 1757.

One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and it is hereby declared, That it shall be Usury for any Creditor to refuse to grant the said Retention there.

47,954 *l.* 1 *s.* 2 *d.* to be raised free of all Charges,

And it is hereby declared and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Sum of Forty seven thousand nine hundred fifty four Pounds, One Shilling, and Two Pence, shall be raised in Scotland, in the respective Shires, Stewartries, Cities, and Boroughs, free of all Charges to His Majesty, and shall in like Manner be paid at the City of Edinburgh, to such Person or Persons as the Commissioners of the Treasury, or the High Treasurer of Great Britain for the time being, shall constitute and appoint to be Receiver-general or Receivers thereof for His Majesty's Use; which said General Receiver or Receivers shall be answerable and accountable for the same to His Majesty in the Exchequer.

and to be paid at *Edinburgh*.

No Person to be a Commissioner of the Land Tax in *Scotland*, who is not enfeoft of 100 *l. Scots per Ann.* real Rent, in the County where he acts.

Exception.

Provided nevertheless, That no Person appointed by this Act to be a Commissioner for executing the several Powers and Things herein enacted, within any County or Stewartry in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, shall be enabled or capable to be a Commissioner of the Land Tax, or for executing the several Powers and Things herein enacted, who is not enfeoft in Superiority or Property, or possessed as Proprietor or Life-renter of Lands valued in the Tax-roll of the County or Stewartry where he acts, to the Extent of One hundred Pounds Scots per Annum, excepting the eldest Sons and Heirs Apparent of Persons who are so enfeoft of Lands to the Extent and of the Valuation aforesaid; and that every Person, who shall take upon him to act as a Commissioner for executing any of the Powers or Things in this Act contained, within any County or Stewartry in Scotland, without being enfeoft in Superiority or Property, or in the Possession of Lands in such County or Stewartry, of the aforesaid Value or Extent, or without being eldest Son and Heir Apparent of a Person so enfeoft, or in Possession, shall forfeit the Sum of Twenty Pounds Sterling for every such Acting; to be recovered by Action, Complaint, or Petition, in a summary Way, at the Suit of any Heretor within the said County or Stewartry, before the County or Stewart Court, or before the Lords of Session in Scotland; and that in case of any such Suit or Complaint entered before any of the Courts aforesaid, the Person complained of shall be obliged to prove that he is enfeoft, or in Possession, or is Son and Heir Apparent of a Person so enfeoft,

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or in Possession of an Estate in Superiority or Property, within the County where he hath taken upon him to act, of the aforesaid Value or Extent, or otherwise shall forfeit the said Penalty of Twenty Pounds Sterling, without any Proof or Evidence to be brought on the Plaintiff's Part, other than that the Person complained of hath taken upon him to act as a Commissioner for executing the several Powers and Things in this Act contained.

Commissioners in *Scotland* to take the Oaths, and subscribe the Assurance.

Provided always, That all and every Person appointed by this Act to be a Commissioner for executing the several Powers and Things herein enacted, in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, shall, before his acting as a Commissioner in the Execution of this Act, or any the Powers therein contained, take and subscribe the Oaths of Allegiance and Abjuration, and subscribe the Assurance appointed by Law to be taken and subscribed by Persons in Offices of publick Trust in Scotland, upon Pain of forfeiting the Sum of Twenty Pounds Sterling; which Oaths it shall and may be lawful for any Two or more of the said Commissioners to administer, and they are hereby required to administer the same accordingly.

Provosts, &c. of any Royal Borough may act as a Commissioner.

Provided nevertheless, That any Provost, Bailie, Dean of Guild, Treasurer, Master of the Merchants Company, or Deacon Convener of the Trades for the time being of any Royal Borough, and any Bailie for the time being of any Borough of Regality, or Barony, herein named or appointed a Commissioner for putting this Act in Execution in any County or Stewartry, shall be capable of acting as a Commissioner for such County or Stewartry; and that it shall not be lawful to or for the Court of Session, or any other Courts or Magistrates in Scotland, to grant, by Suspension, or otherwise, any Stay or Stop to the bringing in of the said Supply, by Quartering, according to the Proportions settled and ascertained by the aforesaid Commissioners for the several Shires, and by the Royal Burghs, according to their Usage and Practice; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Clause of Loan at 3*l. per Cent.*

Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for any Person or Persons, Natives and Foreigners, Bodies Politick or Corporate, to advance or lend to His Majesty, at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Two Millions, upon the Credit of the said several Rates, Assessments, and Sums of Money

by this Act granted, to be raised in the several Parts of Great Britain as aforesaid; and such other Monies as are by this Act appointed for repaying the same, with the Interest thereof; and to have and receive for the Forbearance of the Money lent, Interest after a Rate not exceeding Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, so as such Loans be allowed to be made by the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, who are hereby authorized to issue the Warrants for that Purpose, as fast as such Loans shall be wanted for the Publick Service: And moreover, that no Money so to be lent upon the Security of this Act, shall be rated or assessed by virtue of this Act, or any other Act of Parliament whatsoever.

Tallies of Loan to be struck, &c.

And be it further enacted, That all and every Person and Persons, who shall lend any Money upon the Credit of this Act, as aforesaid, and pay the same into the Receipt of the Exchequer, shall immediately have a Tally of Loan struck for the same, and an Order for his, her, or their Repayment, bearing the same Date with his, her, or their Tally; in or upon which Order shall be also contained a Warrant for the Payment of Interest for the Forbearance thereof, at a Rate not exceeding the said Rate of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, and to be paid every Three Months, until the Repayment of the Principal; and all such Orders for Repayment of Money, so to be lent, shall be registered in Course according to the Dates respectively; and that all and every Person and Persons shall be paid in Course, according as their Orders shall stand registered in the said Register Books, so as the Person or Persons, Natives or Foreigners, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, who shall have his, her, or their Order or Orders first entered in the said Books of Register, shall be taken and accounted to be the first Person or Persons to be paid out of the Monies to come in by virtue of this Act; and he, she, or they, who shall have his, her, or their Order or Orders next entered, shall be taken and accounted to be the Second Person to be paid, and so successively and in Course; and that the Monies to come in by virtue of this Act, or for the said several Rates and Assessments to be raised in Great Britain, as aforesaid, shall be in the same Order liable to the Satisfaction of the said respective Persons, and Body or Bodies Politick or Corporate, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, or Assigns respectively, without any

Orders registered and paid in Course.

undue Preference of one before another, and not otherwise; and shall not be diverted or divertible to any other Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever; and that no Fee, Reward, or Gratuity, directly or indirectly, shall be demanded or taken of any of his Majesty's Subjects for providing or making any such Books or Registers, or any Entries, Views, or Searches, in or for Payment of Money lent, or the Interest thereof, as aforesaid, by any of his Majesty's Officer or Officers, their Clerks or Deputies, on Pain of Payment of Treble Damages to the Party grieved, by the Party offending, with Full Costs of Suit; or if the Officer himself take or demand any such Fee or Reward, then to lose his Place also; and if any undue Preference of one before another shall be made, either in Point of Registry or Payment, contrary to the true Meaning of this Act, by any such Officer or Officers, then the Party offending shall be liable by Action of Debt, or on the Case, to pay the Value of the Debt, with Full Costs of Suit, to the Party grieved; and shall be forejudged of his Place or Office; and if such Preference shall be unduly made by any his Deputy or Clerk, without Direction or Privity of his Master, then such Deputy or Clerk only shall be liable to such Action, Debt, Damages, and Costs, and shall for ever be incapable of his Place or Office; and in case the Auditor of the Receipt shall not direct the said Orders of Loan, or the Clerk of the Pells record, or the Tellers make Payment, upon such Order, according to each Person's due Place and Order, as before directed; then he or they shall be adjudged to forfeit, and the respective Deputies and Clerks, therein offending, to be liable to such Action, Debt, Damages, and Costs, in such Manner as aforesaid: All which said Penalties, Forfeitures, Damages, and Costs, to be incurred by any the Officers of the Exchequer, or any their Deputies or Clerks, shall and may be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster; wherein no Essoin, Protection, Privilege, Wager of Law, Injunction, or Order of Restraint, shall be in any wise granted or allowed.

No Fee for registering, &c.

Penalty for undue Preference.

Provided always, and it is hereby declared, That if it shall happen that several Tallies of Loan, or Orders for Payment, as aforesaid, bear Date, or be brought the same Day to the Auditor of the Receipt to be registered, then it shall be interpreted no undue Preference, which of those be entered first, so as he enters them all the same Day.

No undue Preference, where Tallies are dated or brought the same Day.

Nor if subsequent Orders be paid before such as were first demanded in Court.

Provided also, That it shall not be interpreted any undue Preference, to incur any Penalty in point of Payment, if the Auditor direct, and the Clerk of the Pells record, and the Tellers do pay subsequent Orders to Persons that come and demand their Monies, and bring their Orders, before other Persons who did not come to take their Monies, and bring their Orders in Course; so as there be so much Money reserved as will satisfy precedent Orders; which shall not be otherwise disposed of, but kept for them; Interest upon Loan being to cease from the Time the Money is so reserved and kept in Bank for them.

Orders assignable.

And be it further enacted, That all and every Person and Persons, to whom any Money shall be due for Loans to be registered by virtue of this Act, after Order entered in the Book of Register aforesaid, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, by proper Words of Assignment to be indorsed and written on his, her, or their Order, may assign and transfer his, her, or their Right, Title, Interest, and Benefit of such Order, to any other; which being notified in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt aforesaid, and an Entry or Memorial thereof also made in the Book of Register aforesaid for Orders (which the Officers shall upon Request, without Fee or Charge, accordingly make) shall intitle such Assignee, his Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, to the Benefit thereof, and Payment thereon; and such Assignee may in like Manner assign again, and so toties quoties; and afterwards it shall not be in the Power of such Person or Persons who have or hath made such Assignment, to make void, release, or discharge the same, or any the Monies thereby due, or any Part thereof.

And to the end there may be no Want or Failure of a certain Sum, not to exceed in the whole Two Millions, to be raised, either by such Loans as aforesaid, or by issuing Exchequer Bills, as is herein after-mentioned, or by both, or either of those Ways or Means, for the publick Service; be it further provided and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall judge it more adviseable to raise the said Sum of Two Millions, or any Part thereof, by Exchequer Bills, instead of such Loans as aforesaid, that then they respectively

Commissioners impowered to prepare any Number of new Exchequer Bills, containing one common Sum, or different Sums, in the principal Monies.

tively are hereby authorized and impowered at any Time or Times, at once, or by such Proportions at a Time, as they respectively shall find to be most for the Advantage of the Publick, to prepare and make, or cause to be prepared and made, at the Exchequer, in such Method and Form as they or he shall think most safe and convenient, any Number of new Exchequer Bills, containing one common Sum, or different Sums, in the principal Monies, so that in case there shall be no Loans made, then all the principal Sums to be contained in the said Bills to be made forth by this Act, shall not exceed Two Millions; and in case any such Loans shall be made as aforesaid, then all the principal Sums to be contained in the said Bills to be made forth by this Act, together with such Loans so made, shall not exceed the said Sum of Two Millions.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Bills to be prepared and made in pursuance of this Act, shall and may bear an Interest not exceeding the Rate of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, and proportionably for any greater or less Sum to be contained therein, and to be payable to the Bearers thereof respectively; nevertheless the said Interest shall be abated and saved upon such of the said Bills to be made forth by this Act, as shall at any Time or Times be in the Receipt of the Exchequer, or in the Hands or Power of any Receivers or Collectors of any Taxes, Aids, or Revenues whatsoever, payable to His Majesty, His Heirs, or Successors, during such Time and Times respectively, as such Bills shall be or remain in the said Receipt, or in such Hands or Power as aforesaid.

Bills to bear Interest at 3*l.* *per Cent. per Ann.*

And it is hereby enacted, That all the said Bills, so to be prepared and made, shall be numbered arithmetically, beginning with N° I. and so proceeding in an arithmetical Progression ascending, wherein the common Excess or Difference shall always be One, and shall be registered accordingly, so that the principal Sum to be contained in every such Bill (after Repayment of the Loans which shall have been made as aforesaid, if any such be, with the Interest thereof, or reserving Money sufficient for that Purpose) may regularly be paid off, and discharged in Course, according to the Number of every such Bill, as it shall stand in the said Register; and that the Interest upon all and every the said Bills shall be payable every Three Months according to the Purport and true Meaning of this Act; and that upon every such Bill there shall

These Bills to be numbered arithmetically.

be indorsed, printed, or written, in Words at Length, or in Figures, the Sum; after which the Principal to be contained therein shall be payable in such Course, as aforesaid, according to the Purport and true Meaning of this Act.

Treasury to direct the Course of Payment for Loans or Exchequer Bills,

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case the said Sum, not exceeding Two Millions, shall be raised partly by Loans, and partly by Exchequer Bills, according to the Powers before given by this Act; that then, and in such Case, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, when and as often as they shall, by virtue of the said Powers, direct any such Loans to be taken, or any such Exchequer Bills to be made out, at the same Time also to direct and appoint the Course and Order in which such Loans or Exchequer Bills shall stand upon the said Register, and after what Time they shall respectively begin to be payable in Course, out of the Monies arising by this Act, so as no such subsequent Loans or Exchequer Bills be made to alter the Course at first appointed for prior Loans or Exchequer Bills, at the Time of taking in, or making out, such prior Loans or Exchequer Bills; any thing herein before contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

and to appoint Cheques, &c.

And it is hereby further enacted, That all the said Bills shall be prepared and made with such Cheques, Indents, or Counterfoils, as shall be directed by the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or by the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being; and that the Person or Persons, who shall be appointed to pay off the said Bills in Course, shall, from time to time, have the Use and Custody of One Part of all the Cheques, Indents, or Counterfoils of the said Exchequer Bills, to be prepared and made by virtue of this Act, from which the said Bills shall have been cut, to prevent his or their being imposed upon by counterfeit or forged Bills; and that the Undertakers or Contractors for exchanging or circulating the said Bills, or such of them as shall be current, shall, from time to time, have the Use and Custody of One other Part of all the said Cheques, Indents, or Counterfoils of the said Exchequer Bills, from which the same shall have been cut off, as aforesaid, in order to prevent their being imposed upon by any counterfeit or forged Bills; and that all the said

Parts of the said Cheques, Indents, or Counterfoils, shall be delivered back into the Exchequer when the said Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act shall be paid off, cancelled, and discharged.

The Bills to be placed as Cash in the Exchequer,

And it is hereby enacted, That the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, and the said High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall, and they are hereby respectively authorized and impowered to cause such Bills as shall be prepared by virtue of this Act, to be placed as so much Cash in the respective Offices of the Tellers of the said Receipt of Exchequer, each and every of which Tellers shall be severally charged with the Proportion of the said Bills, which shall be so placed in his Office respectively; any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

and to be current in the Revenue.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the said Exchequer Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, or so many of them as shall, from time to time, remain undischarged and uncancelled, until the discharging and cancelling the same, pursuant to this Act, shall and may be received and taken, and shall pass and be current to all and every the Receivers and Collectors in Great Britain of the Customs, Excise, or any Revenue, Supply, Aid, or Tax whatsoever, already granted, due, or payable, or which shall or may hereafter be granted, due or payable, to His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, and also at the Receipt of the Exchequer, from the said Receivers or Collectors, or from any other Person or Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate whatsoever, making any Payments or Loans there to His Majesty, His Heirs, or Successors, for or upon any Account, Cause, or Occasion whatsoever, according to the Purport and true Meaning of this Act; and that such of the same Bills as shall be received at the Exchequer, shall and may be locked up and secured as Cash, according to the Course of the Exchequer, settled and established by Law, for locking up and securing Monies received in Specie there; and that all and every the Receivers and Collectors in Great Britain, of the Customs, Excise, or any Revenue, Aid, Tax, or Supply whatsoever, already granted, due, or payable, or which shall or may hereafter be granted, due, or payable, to His Majesty, His Heirs, or Successors, shall, and they are hereby directed and required, out of any current coined Money, as shall then be in his or their Hands, of such Revenue, Aid, Tax, or Supply, to pay such of the same

Receivers to exchange Bills for ready Money.

Bills, as shall be brought to them respectively, by any Person or Persons desiring to have Money for the same: And in case any such Receiver or Collector shall refuse or neglect to exchange such Bill or Bills for ready Money, for the Space of Twenty four Hours, then the Person or Persons demanding the same, shall and may bring an Action of Debt, or on the Case, for the Principal and Interest Monies due upon such Bill or Bills, against such Receiver or Collector, having Money in his Hands, as aforesaid; in which Action the Plaintiff shall or may declare, that such Receiver or Collector is indebted to the Plaintiff in the Money demanded upon every such Bill, according to the Form of the Statute, and hath not paid the same, which shall be sufficient; and the Plaintiff in every such Action shall recover against the Receiver or Collector, not only the Monies so neglected or refused to be paid, but also his Full Costs of Suit; and such Receiver and Collector shall be subject and liable thereunto; and in such Action no Essoin, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law shall be allowed, or more than One Imparlance; and upon Payment of the Monies so to be recovered, the Plaintiff, his Executors, or Assigns, shall deliver up such Bills to the Defendant, his Executors, or Assigns.

Tallies to be levied for Bills lent into the Exchequer.

And be it further enacted, That as any of the said Bills shall at any Time or Times hereafter within the respective Times, during which they shall be current pursuant to this Act, be paid or lent into the Exchequer, by any of His Majesty's Receivers, or other Person or Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, making any Payments or Loans at that Receipt, the Officers there shall cause Tallies to be levied, and delivered to the Payers or Lenders, as amply and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if they had made such Payments or Loans in Specie.

Interest to continue till Payment.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Interest which shall, from time to time, be due upon any of the Bills to be current as aforesaid, shall be allowed to all Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, paying the same to any Receiver or Collector, Receivers or Collectors, of any of His Majesty's Revenues, Aids, Taxes, or Supplies, or by way of Exchange, as aforesaid, to the respective Days whereupon such Bill or Bills shall be paid, exchanged, or lent.

Interest to cease whilst the Bills are in the Hands of Receivers, &c.

Provided always, That no Interest shall run, or be paid upon or for any such Bill or Bills, during the Time any such Bill or Bills so paid, exchanged, or lent, shall remain

main in the Hands of any of the said Receivers or Collectors, or in the Hands of any Teller or Tellers of the Exchequer; but for such Time the Interest on every such Bill shall cease.

Bills paid to Receivers, &c. to be signed and dated.

And, to the end it may be known for what Time such Bills bearing Interest shall, from time to time, remain in the Hands of such Receivers or Collectors, or in the Exchequer as aforesaid; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Person or Persons, who shall pay any such Bill or Bills so bearing Interest, to any Receivers or Collectors of any of His Majesty's Revenues, Aids, Taxes, and Supplies, by way of Exchange, or otherwise; or shall pay or lend such Bill or Bills, so bearing Interest, into the Exchequer, as aforesaid, shall, at the Time of making such Payment, Exchange, or Loan, on each Bill bearing Interest, and so paid, exchanged, or lent, put his or their Name or Names, and write thereupon, in Words at Length, the Day of the Month and Year, in which he, she, or they so paid, exchanged, or lent such Bill or Bills bearing Interest; all which the said Receivers and Collectors respectively, and also the respective Tellers in the Exchequer, shall take Care to see done and performed accordingly; to which respective Days the said Receivers and Collectors shall be allowed again the Interest, which he, she, or they shall have allowed or paid upon such respective Bill or Bills, upon his or their paying the same into the Receipt of Exchequer, as aforesaid.

The Bills may be reissued,

Provided also, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Bills, or any of them, may be reissued and paid again out of His Majesty's Exchequer; and when the same shall be reissued and paid again out of His Majesty's Exchequer, the respective Teller there, from whose Office such Bill or Bills bearing Interest shall be so reissued, or again paid out, shall indorse on the same Bill or Bills so reissued, in Words at Length, the Day of the Month and Year, in which the same were so reissued or repaid out of the Exchequer, and also on what Account the same were last received into the Exchequer, and sign the same; from which Time the Interest of such Bill or Bills so reissued or paid again shall revive; and such Bill or Bills shall revive, run, and pass at Interest, as the same did before they were paid unto, or received by the said Receivers or Collectors, or before the same were paid or lent into the Exchequer, as aforesaid.

both for Principal and Interest.

And it is hereby enacted, That the same Bills to be reissued, from time to time, or at any Time, at the Exchequer, as aforesaid, shall be so reissued for the Principal Money to be contained therein, and for so much Interest as was due thereon, and allowed by the Teller at the respective Time and Times, when such Bill and Bills were last paid into the Exchequer.

Receivers to keep a Book.

And be it enacted, That every Receiver General of any the Revenues, Aids, Tares, or Supplies, belonging or to belong to His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, shall keep a fair Book or Books of Account in Writing of all the Monies by him received; in which he, or his Deputy or Deputies, shall truly enter all the Sums which shall have been received by him or them, for every such Revenue, Aid, Tar, or Supply, together with the Names of the several Collectors from whom the same, or any Part thereof, was received, the Days when, and the Sums paid, how much thereof in Money, and how much thereof in such Exchequer Bills, and what Exchequer Bills shall have been exchanged by every such Receiver General, pursuant to this Act; to which Account every Person concerned shall have free Access at all seasonable Times, without Fee or Charge; and the said Accounts shall lie constantly open at One certain Place within the Limits of his Receipt for that Purpose; and if such Receiver shall neglect to keep such Book or Books, or enter therein any Sum or Sums of Money by him received and paid as aforesaid, by the Space of Three Days after his Receipt or Payment of the same, or shall refuse any Person or Persons concerned to inspect such Book or Books without Fee or Reward as aforesaid; every such Receiver, for every such Offence, shall forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds to any Person or Persons who will sue for the same, to be recovered by Action of Debt, or upon the Case, Bill, Suit, or Information, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster; wherein no Essoin, Protection, Privilege, or Wager of Law shall be allowed, or more than One Imparlance.

Bills filled up by Indorsements, or defaced, to be exchanged.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case any of the Exchequer Bills which shall be current as aforesaid, shall be filled up by Writing or Indorsement made thereon as aforesaid, or shall by any Accident be defaced, it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the time being, and he and they are hereby authorized and impowered

by his or their Discretion, from time to time, to cause new Bills to be made forth at the Receipt of Exchequer, in lieu of such Bills which shall be so filled up or defaced; which Bills so filled up or defaced shall be cancelled at the Receipt of Exchequer, and kept there on a File or Files for that Purpose; and such Bills so to be made forth in lieu thereof, shall have a like Currency, and shall in all Respects be subject to the same Rules, Methods, and Continuance, as the Bills so filled up were intended to have been by this Act, and shall bear the same Numbers, Dates, and principal Sums, and carry the like Interest, as was borne and carried by Bills so cancelled respectively.

Bills not exceeding 5000*l.* each, to be made forth at the Exchequer.

And it is hereby enacted, That for the greater Ease and Dispatch of publick Business at the Exchequer, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the time being, and he and they are hereby authorized and enabled, in case he or they shall so think fit, to cause Exchequer Bills for any large Sums not exceeding Five thousand Pounds each, to be made forth at the Receipt of the Exchequer, and to be placed as Cash in the said Receipt, in lieu of the like Value of the Principal contained in the said Exchequer Bills made forth for lesser Sums, which at the Time of making such large Bills shall happen to be in the same Receipt, which shall be at the same Time cancelled and discharged, and be kept there on a File for that Purpose; and such new Bills for such large Sums shall and may be issued at the said Receipt, and have the same Currency, and be in all Respects subject to the same Rules, Methods, and Continuance, and carry the like Interest, and have the same Security, Benefits, and Advantages; and the same Pains of Death, and other Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures, for any Crime or Offence relating thereunto, shall be inflicted, incurred, and put in Execution, as if they had been originally issued by virtue of this Act for the said lesser Bills; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Forging Exchequer Bills Felony.

And it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall forge or counterfeit any Exchequer Bill which shall have been made forth by virtue of this Act, before the same shall be paid off and cancelled, or any Exchequer Bill to be reissued or made forth in pursuance of this Act, or any Indorsement or Writing thereupon or therein, or tender in Payment any such forged or counterfeit Bill, or any Exche-

quer Bill with such counterfeit Indorsement or Writing thereon, or shall demand to have such counterfeit Bill, or any such Exchequer Bill, with such counterfeit Indorsement or Writing thereupon or therein, exchanged for ready Money, by any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politick or Corporate, who shall be obliged or required to exchange the same, or by any other Person or Persons whatsoever, knowing the Bill so tendered in Payment, or demanded to be exchanged, or the Indorsement or Writing thereupon or therein, to be forged or counterfeit, and with Intent to defraud His Majesty, His Heirs, or Successors, or the Persons to be appointed to pay off the same, or any of them, or to pay any Interest thereupon, or the Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politick or Corporate, who will contract to circulate or exchange the same, or any of them, or any other Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politick or Corporate; then every such Person or Persons so offending, being thereof lawfully convicted, shall be adjudged a Felon, and shall suffer as in Cases of Felony without Benefit of Clergy.

How the Monies arising by this Act shall be applied.

And to the End, Intent, and Purpose, that all the Monies to be lent at the Exchequer, on the Credit of this Act, within the Time before limited in that Behalf, not exceeding as aforesaid, may be duly repaid, and the Interest thereof justly satisfied at the said Receipt, and that all the Exchequer Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, not exceeding as aforesaid, may likewise be paid off and discharged in their due Course and Order at such Publick Office, as is hereafter in and by this Act appointed in that Behalf; and to the End the same Bills, or so many of them as shall from time to time remain undischarged, may the better obtain a Currency for such Time as they or any of them are hereby intended to be current; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Money which shall from time to time arise at the Receipt of the Exchequer, of or for the Aids, Taxes, or Assessments, by this Act granted, shall, from time to time, as the same shall arise at the said Receipt, be issued and applied at the same Receipt for or towards paying off and discharging the Orders of Loan, for the Money which shall have been lent at the said Receipt, within the Time herein before limited in that Behalf, and for satisfying the Interest thereof, in such Course, Manner, and Form, as are before in this Act prescribed and appointed for that Purpose (with Preference to all other Payments to be made out of the same Monies) until all the Principal and Interest payable upon such Orders of Loan shall be fully satisfied,

or

or sufficient Money shall be reserved in the Exchequer for the full Payment and Satisfaction of the same, or the Monies which shall, from time to time, arise at the said Receipt of Exchequer, of or for the said Aids, Taxes, or Assessments by this Act granted, shall, from time to time, as the same shall arise at the said Receipt, be issued to such Paymaster as is herein after mentioned, by way of Imprest and upon Account, for or towards paying off and discharging the Exchequer Bills which shall have been made forth by virtue of this Act, in such Course as aforesaid, and for or towards the Charge of exchanging and circulating the same Bills, or any of them, and for or towards such other Payments as are in and by this Act directed or allowed to be made or discharged out of the same, and for no other Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever.

Treasury on 29 *Sept.* 1758, to take an Account of all Monies raised and discharged.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That on the Twenty ninth Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, or within Ten Days after, the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall cause a true and perfect Account in Writing to be taken and attested by the proper Officers, of all the Monies which shall have been raised by Loans, or by Exchequer Bills, or by any or either of those Ways or Means, for or towards the said Sum, not exceeding Two Millions, by this Act intended to be raised, as aforesaid, and how much thereof shall before that Time have been paid off or discharged, and how much thereof shall then remain undischarged, upon the said Orders of Loan and Exchequer Bills respectively, or upon any or either of them; which Account shall be publickly affixed in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt in the said Exchequer.

Unsatisfied Monies to be paid out of the next Aid,

And it is hereby enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the Monies so remaining unsatisfied, or not discharged, with the Interest due or to grow due for the same, shall be paid and satisfied out of the next Aid or Aids to be granted in Parliament, after the said Twenty ninth Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, and shall be transferred thereunto, as soon as such Aid or Aids shall be granted; and if no such Aid or Aids shall be granted, whereunto such unsatisfied Monies shall be transferred, before the Twenty fourth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, then the Monies so remaining unsatisfied and undischarged upon the said Exchequer Bills,

or out of the Sinking Fund.

or any of them, with the Interest due or to grow due for the same, shall be and are hereby charged and chargeable upon such Monies, as at any Time or Times shall be and remain in the same Receipt of the Surplusses, Excesses, and Overplus Monies, and other Revenues composing the Sinking Fund (except such Monies of the said Sinking Fund as are appropriated to any particular Use or Uses, by any former Act or Acts of Parliament, in that Behalf) and such Monies of the said Sinking Fund shall and may be issued for supplying Money to the said Paymaster, for discharging the said unsatisfied Exchequer Bills in course, as the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or the High Treasurer for the time being, shall direct, until all the Principal and Interest, which shall be or remain due upon the said Exchequer Bills, or any of them, shall be fully cleared and paid off, or Money sufficient shall be reserved for that Purpose; and if at any Time or Times before or after any of the said Aids, Taxes, or Assessments hereby granted shall be brought into the Exchequer, as aforesaid, there shall happen to be a Want of Money for paying Interest, which shall be actually incurred and grown due upon the said Exchequer Bills, or any of them, or for Payment of any Premium or Rate, which shall be incurred and grown due by any Contract or Contracts to be made by virtue of this Act, for circulating and exchanging the same Bills; that then, and in every such Case, the Money so wanted shall and may be supplied out of the Monies of the said Fund, commonly called the Sinking Fund, (except before excepted) and be issued accordingly.

And whereas by reason of the Multiplicity of Payments, which are to be made in paying off such Exchequer Bills as shall be made forth by virtue of this Act, and otherwise in relation to the same, it will be difficult, if not impossible, that every particular Payment should be directed, received, paid, and accounted for, by the several Officers of the Receipt of the Exchequer, in the ordinary Course of Payments there used; therefore, and to the end the Exchequer may regularly be discharged of all the Monies required by this Act to be applied for paying off the said Exchequer Bills, and other Charges attending the same, be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, and the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall and may, from time to time, by Writing under his or their Hand or Hands, constitute and appoint such Person and Persons as

Commissioners to appoint Persons to pay off principal Sums, which shall from time to time be in Course of Payment upon Exchequer Bills.

as he or they shall think fit, to be the Paymaster to pay off and discharge the principal Sums, which shall, from time to time, be in Course of Payment upon the said Exchequer Bills, or any of them, until they shall be paid off and discharged; and to pay the Premium or Premiums, Rate or Rates, which according to any Contract or Contracts to be made, as is herein after-mentioned, for exchanging and circulating the said Bills, or any of them, shall be due or payable to such Contractors; and to take in and put upon a File, from time to time, all such of the said Bills, as shall be paid off, to be cancelled, as the Commissioners of the Treasury, or the High Treasurer, or Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall direct; and to do and perform, or cause and procure to be done and performed, such other Matters and Things in relation to the said Bills, or the Principal and Interest therein to be contained, as to the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or to the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall seem meet, and be directed to be done and performed by such Paymaster for the time being; all which Payments shall be made by such Paymaster, from time to time, at an Office to be kept in or near the Receipt of the Exchequer at Westminster for that Purpose; and that the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, and the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall take, or cause to be taken, Security, according to the best of his or their Judgements, from all and every such Person and Persons so to be constituted, for his or their due paying, answering, and accounting for all the said Monies which he or they shall receive, and for his and their true and faithful Performance of his or their Office or Offices, Trust or Trusts, before-mentioned.

Money, as brought in, to be paid to the Paymasters.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, and the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, once in every Week, or oftener, as any of the Money by this Act appointed or intended to be applied for or towards paying off the said Exchequer Bills, or discharging any other the Payments relating thereunto, according to the Purport and true Meaning of this Act, shall be, or be brought into the Exchequer, or be or remain there, shall, without any

further or other Warrant to be sued for, had, or obtained, from His Majesty, His Heirs, or Successors, in that Behalf, issue, or cause to be issued, the same to such Paymaster for the time being, to be constituted as aforesaid, by way of Imprest and upon Account for or towards the paying off and discharging the said Exchequer Bills in such Course as aforesaid, and such other Payments relating to the said Exchequer Bills as are to be made by such Paymaster as aforesaid; and that such Paymaster shall, from time to time, apply all the Monies by him so to be received as he shall receive the same, from time to time, towards discharging the said Bills in Course, and other Payments hereby directed and allowed, according to the Purport and true Meaning of this present Act, and not otherwise.

The Bills to be registered in Course.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all the said Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, shall be registered in Course, according to their Numbers, as aforesaid; and that the said Registers shall lie open in the publick Office of the said Paymaster for the time being; and a Table, to shew how far the said Bills shall be in Course of Payment, from time to time, shall be publickly affixed in the said Office; and that such Register and Table, or either of them, shall or may be viewed or inspected, at any seasonable Time or Times, by any Person or Persons desiring to view or inspect the same, without Fee or Charge; and that the said Bills shall be paid off and discharged in Course, according as their Numbers shall stand in the said Register; and the Monies by this Act appointed for Payment of the same, shall in the same Order be liable thereunto, without giving any undue Preference, in paying any Bill or Bills of any subsequent Number or Numbers, before any Bill or Bills of any antecedent Number or Numbers, and shall not be diverted or divertible to any Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever, other than the Uses and Purposes by this Act appointed for the Application of the same: Nevertheless, in case it shall happen that several Bills in Course of Payment shall on the same Day be brought, and demanded to be paid off, it shall not be interpreted an undue Preference which of them the Paymaster or Paymasters do pay first, so as he or they do pay them all the same Day; and it shall not be interpreted an undue Preference to incur any Penalty in point of Payment, if the Paymaster or Paymasters do pay off the Bills to the Persons that bring their Bills, and demand their Money in Course, before others that do not bring their

their Bills, and demand their Money in Course, so as such Money be reserved as will satisfy precedent Bills, which shall not be otherwise disposed of, but kept for them.

And it is hereby enacted, That the Interest upon the said Bills shall cease from the respective Times that Money shall be reserved and kept in Bank for discharging the same. When Interest to cease.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Paymaster or Paymasters, to be constituted as aforesaid, shall be subject and liable to such Inspection, Examination, Controul, and Audit, and to such Rules in respect to paying, accounting, and other Matters relating to the Execution of the said Office or Trust of Paymaster, as the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall think fit or reasonable to establish or appoint, from time to time, for the better Execution of the Intent and End of this Act, and the Satisfaction of the Proprietors of the said Bills. Paymasters liable to the Controul of the Treasury.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That as well the Person or Persons to be constituted to the said Office of Paymaster, as also the Person or Persons to be appointed to examine and controul the Receipts, Payments, and Doings of such Paymaster or Paymasters, shall respectively have and receive for the Services of themselves respectively, and of the Clerks and Substitutes to be employed under them respectively, and for such Charges as shall be necessarily incident to the Execution of their respective Offices, such Salaries, Rewards, and Allowances, as the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall judge to be reasonable, and direct in that Behalf, and to be allowed upon the proper Account or Accounts of the said Paymaster or Paymasters. Treasury to settle Salaries, of Clerks, &c.

And for the better supporting the Currency of the said Bills to be made forth by this Act, and to the end a sufficient Provision may be made for circulating and exchanging for ready Money, from time to time, the said Bills, or such of them, as shall from time to time, remain undischarged, during such Time as they, or any of them, are to be current, be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners and to contract with Persons to circulate Bills, &c.

of the Treasury for the time being, on His Majesty's Behalf, shall and may, from time to time, enter into any Contract or Contracts, for obliging any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politick or Corporate, who will voluntarily undertake this Service, at his or their own Costs or Charges, to circulate and exchange, at some publick Office in London or Westminster, for ready Money, from time to time, all such of the said Bills, which shall have been made forth by virtue of this Act, as shall be demanded at such publick Office, during the Time or respective Times of such Contract or Contracts, by paying in ready Money, at their own Costs and Charges, upon every such Demand, or within Twenty four Hours after, all the Principal Monies contained in every such Bill to be demanded, and the Interest which shall then be due thereupon, and so toties quoties, as often as any such Bill shall be demanded, the said Contractors or Undertakers, from time to time, upon exchanging every such Bill, taking in the Bill so exchanged, for their own Use, and being allowed a Rate or several Rates, not exceeding Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, as well for paying the said Interest, at their own Costs, as also in reward for their Service, upon all the said Bills so undertaken to be circulated; which said respective Rate or Rates shall be paid as is herein after mentioned; and the said Contract or Contracts shall be made in Writing, and registered in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, and shall be made to endure for such Time and Times respectively, as shall be agreed by the Contractors.

Contractors not disabled from being Members of Parliament.

And it is hereby enacted, That such Contractors, or any of them, shall not, for that Cause only, be disabled from being a Member or Members of Parliament, or be adjudged liable to be a Bankrupt or Bankrupts, within the Intent and Meaning of all or any the Statutes made against or concerning Bankrupts; any Law, Statute, or Provision to the contrary notwithstanding.

May lower or raise the Interest with Consent of Treasury.

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That such Contractors (with the Consent and Approbation of the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, and not otherwise) may, at any Time or Times, after the Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, by Writing to be affixed upon the Exchange at London, and by Publication in the London Gazette, declare

and direct, if they shall so see Cause and think fit, the said Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, or any Number or Part of them, to carry a lower or higher Rate of Interest, than the said Rate of Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, for such Time or Times as shall be mentioned in such Writing and Publication, as aforesaid: And for the greater Accommodation and Ease of paying the said Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, or any of them, to the Receivers and Collectors of the publick Revenues, and into the Receipt of the Exchequer, the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the time being, have hereby Power, at the Request of such Contractors, to make forth, or cause to be made forth, any of the said Exchequer Bills without bearing any Interest; yet nevertheless those Bills so to be made forth without bearing any Interest, may, from time to time, be made to carry such Interest as the said Contractors shall, by Writing to be affixed upon the Exchange of London, and published in the London Gazette, signify and declare in that Behalf.

Contractors how to be paid.

And it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall cause the Monies which shall, from time to time, be incurred and grown due to such Contractors, upon such respective Rates or Premiums, not exceeding as aforesaid, to be paid out of the Monies which shall, from time to time, be issued to the said Paymaster or Paymasters, as aforesaid; any former Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

No Fee to be taken.

And it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Fee, Reward, or Gratuity, shall be demanded or taken, directly or indirectly, by any of His Majesty's Officers in the Exchequer, or by any of their Clerks or Substitutes, or by any such Paymaster or Comptroller, or by their or either of their Clerks or Substitutes, from any of His Majesty's Subjects, for any Matter or Thing to be done by the said Officers in the Exchequer, or by the said Paymaster or Comptroller, or any of them, their, or any of their Clerks or Substitutes respectively, in pursuance of this Act; and that no such Officer in the Exchequer, Paymaster, or Comptroller, or any such Clerk or Substitute, shall divert or misapply, or cause or procure to be diverted or misapplied, any of the Monies by this Act intended for the exchanging, circulating, and paying

ing off the said Bills, or any of them, under such Penalties and Forfeitures to be incurred by, and inflicted on them respectively, as by this Act are prescribed and enacted for diverting and misapplying any the Monies of the said Aids, Taxes, or Assessments, hereby granted, or for taking or demanding any Fee, Reward, or Gratuity, concerning the same.

No Interest for less than One Penny.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That as often as any Interest upon any Exchequer Bill or Bills to be made forth by this Act, shall be demanded to be paid, the said Contractors or Paymasters shall not be obliged to pay for such Interest, to any lesser Sum than One Penny upon such Bill, in case a single Bill be produced, or for the Total of the Interest of such Bills, where Two or more shall be offered at One Time by the same Person; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Charges to be paid out of the Sinking Fund.

Provided also, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall have Power, and he or they are hereby enabled to pay and allow, or cause to be paid and allowed, out of the Monies to arise of or for the said Aids, Taxes, or Assessments, hereby granted, or of or for the said Surplusses, Excesses, or Overplus Monies, and other Revenues composing the Sinking Fund, from time to time, the necessary Charges of making forth the new Exchequer Bills hereby authorized to be made forth, and such other Charges as shall be necessarily incident in or for the Execution of this Act, or any Part thereof, in relation to the said Bills; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

To be replaced out of the first Supplies.

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That whatever Monies shall be issued out of the said Surplusses, Excesses, or Overplus Monies, and other Revenues composing the Sinking Fund, shall, from time to time, be replaced by and out of the first Supplies to be then after granted in Parliament; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Clause for Relief for Bills lost or destroyed.

Provided also, and it is hereby enacted, That in case Proof shall be made on Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, before the Lord Chief Baron and other the Barons of the Coif of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer, or any of them, that any of the Bills, which have been made forth by virtue of this Act, were by Casualty or Mischance lost, burnt, or otherwise destroyed,

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before the coming thereof in Course of Payment; and if by the Party's Oath the Numbers and Sums of such Bill or Bills shall be ascertained, and if thereupon the said Chief Baron, and other the said Barons, or any of them, before whom such Oaths were made, shall certify that he or they are satisfied in such Proof; then, and in every such Case, the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, are hereby authorized to cause the Money due upon such Bill or Bills, so lost, burnt, or destroyed, to be satisfied by the said Paymaster or Paymasters, as if the original Bill or Bills were brought in to be paid off; provided that the Person or Persons so receiving the Money do give Security to the King, to the good Liking of the Person or Persons who shall be appointed, as aforesaid, to pay off and take in the said Bills, to pay into the Exchequer, for the Use of the Publick, so much Money as shall be paid upon such Certificate or Certificates, if the Bill or Bills so certified to be lost, burnt, or destroyed, be hereafter produced.

Bills discharged to be cancelled.

Provided also, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, which shall, from time to time, be discharged and paid off, shall be taken in and filed, and shall be cancelled and made void, according to such Rules and Directions as the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them now being, or the High Treasurer, or any Three or more of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall, by any Warrant or Warrants under their Hands direct or appoint.

Sinking Fund appropriated to discharge National Debt incurred before 25. *Dec.* 1716.

Provided always, and it is hereby likewise enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all the Monies arisen or to arise into the Exchequer, of or for the said Surplusses, Excesses, or Overplus Monies, and other Revenues, composing the Sinking Fund (except such Monies thereof, as are by this, or any other Act or Acts of this or any former Session or Sessions of Parliament, especially charged upon the said Sinking Fund, or to be paid out of the same, or out of any Revenues or Branches composing the said Sinking Fund) shall be appropriated, reserved, and employed to and for the discharging the Principal and Interest of such National Debts and Incumbrances, as were incurred before the Twenty fifth Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and fifteen, and are declared to be such

such National Debts as may be redeemed, and are provided for by Act of Parliament, in such Manner and Form, as shall be directed and appointed by any future Act or Acts of Parliament to be discharged therewith, or out of the same, and to none other Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Deficiency of the Land Tax 28 *Geo* II. how to be supplied.

And whereas several Orders of Loan or Exchequer Bills made upon and in pursuance of an Act of Parliament of the Twenty eighth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in *Great Britain*, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty five) still remain unpaid, for want of sufficient Money arising by the said Act being come into the Exchequer to answer and pay the same; and it is uncertain how much thereof the Monies arising by the said Act will be able to answer and discharge; be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if the Money arisen or to arise into the Exchequer, for or on account of the said Aids, on or before the Twenty ninth Day of September, which shall be in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, shall not be sufficient to discharge the whole Principal and Interest due, or to grow due, on the several Orders of Loan or Exchequer Bills made upon and in pursuance of the said Act; that then so much Money as shall then appear to be deficient or wanting for answering the Purposes aforesaid, shall and may be supplied and made good out of any the Monies arising into the Exchequer by or from the Loans or Exchequer Bills on this Act, or any other Monies or Loans that are or shall be appropriated for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven; and the Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the time being, shall direct and apply the same accordingly; any thing herein before contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

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