ANNO DECIMO TERTIO

Georgii III. Regis.

CAP. LXXVII.

An Act for granting to His Majeſty a certain Sum of Money out of the Sinking Fund; and for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the Service of the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-three; and for further appropriating the Supplies granted in this Seſſion of Parliament; and for paying to *John Harriſon* a further Reward for his Invention of a Time-keeper for aſcertaining the Longitude at Sea, and his Diſcovery of the Principles upon which the ſame was conſtructed.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Great Britain, in Parliament aſſembled, towards raiſing the neceſſary Supplies which we have chearfully granted to your Majeſty in this Seſſion of Parliament, have reſolved to give and grant to your Majeſty the Sum hereinafter mentioned; and do therefore moſt humbly beſeech your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by Preamble.

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by the King's most 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 by or out of such Monies as shall, from Time to Time, be and remain in the Receipt of the Exchequer, of the Surplusses, Excesses, Overplus Monies, and other Revenues composing the Fund, commonly called The Sinking Fund, after paying, or reserving sufficient to pay, all such Sums of Money as have been directed by any former Act or Acts of Parliament to be paid out of the same, there shall and may be issued and applied, for and towards making good the Supply granted to his Majesty for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three, a Sum not exceeding Two millions three hundred forty-nine thousand eight hundred and six Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Seven-pence Three Farthings; and the Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, are or is hereby authorised and impowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

2,349,806*l.* 12*s.* 7*d.* 3*q.* granted out of the Fund, for the Service of the current Year;

to be issued by the Treasury accordingly.

And it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case the said Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, shall think it adviseable to raise the said Sum of Two millions three hundred forty-nine thousand eight hundred and six Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Seven-pence Three Farthings, or any Part thereof, by Loans or Exchequer Bills, in Manner herein-after mentioned, that it shall and may be lawful to and for any Person or Persons, Natives or 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 the said Sum of Two millions three hundred forty-nine thousand eight hundred and six Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Seven-pence Three Farthings, upon the Credit of the said Surplusses, Excesses,

Treasury impowered to raise the said Sum, or any Part thereof, by Loans or Exchequer Bills, on the Credit of the Sinking Fund;

Exceſſes, and Overplus Monies, or other Revenues compoſing the Sinking Fund, and to have and receive Intereſt for the Forbearance of the Money lent, ſo as ſuch Loans be allowed to be made by the ſaid Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or any Three or more of them, now or for the Time being, or the High Treaſurer for the Time being, who are or is hereby authoriſed to iſſue his or their Warrants for that Purpoſe, as ſuch Loans ſhall be wanted for the publick Service; and moreover, that no Money to be lent upon the Security of this Act ſhall be rated or aſſeſſed to any Tax or Aſſeſſment whatſoever.

All Perſons who ſhall lend any Money upon the Credit of this Act have a Tally of Loan, with Orders for Repayment of the Money with Intereſt.

And be it further enacted, That all and every Perſon or 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 Payment of Intereſt for the Forbearance thereof, 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 ſaid Surpluſſes, Exceſſes, and Overplus Monies or other Revenues; 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, or for the ſaid Surpluſſes, Exceſſes, and Overplus Monies, or other Revenues, compoſing the Sinking Fund, as aforeſaid, ſhall be, in the ſame Order, liable to the

Orders to be regiſtered in Courſe.

No undue Preference to be given in Payment.

Satisfaction of the said respective Persons, and Body or Bodies Politick or Corporate, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, or Assigns, respectively, without any undue Preference of One before another, and not otherwise; and shall not be diverted or divertible to any other Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever, other than such Uses and Purposes as are appointed by any other Act or Acts of Parliament in that Behalf, as aforesaid; 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 of 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 any such Preference 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 be for ever after incapable of his Office or Place: 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 Teller make Payment upon such Orders, 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

No Fee to be taken on Forfeiture of Treble Damages, with full Costs.

Penalty of undue Preference in Point of Registry or Payment.

Auditor, &c. neglecting his Duty, liable for Damages, &c.

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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. to be recovered at *Westminster*.

Provided always, and it is 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 in the Registering, where Orders are brought the same Day;

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 that did not come and take their Monies, and bring their Orders in Course, so as there be so much Money reserved as will satisfy preceding 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. nor if subsequent Orders are paid before others not brought in Course, so as Money be reserved for the preceding Orders.

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, as aforesaid, his, her, or their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, by proper Words of Assignment, to be indorsed and written upon 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 Power of Assignment, and Method of transferring of Orders.

Assignee, his, her, or their 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 hath or have made such Assignment, to make void, release, or discharge the same, or any Monies thereby due, or any Part thereof.

If it shall be judged more advisable, the Treasury may raise the said Sum by Exchequer Bills, instead of Loans;

And, to the End there may be no Want or Failure of a certain Sum, not to exceed in the Whole the said Sum of Two millions three hundred forty-nine thousand eight hundred and six Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Seven-pence Three Farthings, to be raised either by such Loans as aforesaid, or by issuing Exchequer Bills, as is hereinafter mentioned, or by both or either of those Ways or Means, for the Publick Service; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, now or for the Time being, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, shall judge it more adviseable to raise the said Sum of Two millions three hundred forty-nine thousand eight hundred and six Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Seven-pence Three Farthings, or any Part thereof, by Exchequer Bills, instead of such Loans, as aforesaid, that then he or they respectively is or are hereby authorised and impowered, at any Time or Times, to prepare and make, or cause to be prepared or made, at the Exchequer, any Number of new Exchequer Bills, for any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the Whole the said Sum of Two millions three hundred forty-nine thousand eight hundred and six Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Seven-pence Three Farthings, together with such Loans aforesaid, in the same or like Manner, Form, or Order, and according to the same or like Rules and Directions, as in and by a certain Act of this present Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act for continuing and granting to His Majesty certain Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three, are enacted and prescribed concerning the Exchequer Bills to be made in pursuance of the said Act.

the Bill in such Case to be made as those prescribed by the Malt Act of this Session.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities, contained in the said last-mentioned Act, relating to the Loans or Exchequer Bills authorised to be made by the same Act, (except such Clauses as do charge the same on the Taxes granted by the same Act, and except such Clauses as limit the Rate of Interest to be paid for the Forbearance of Money lent on the Credit of the said Act), shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said Exchequer Bills had been originally authorised by the said last-mentioned Act, or as if the said several Clauses or Provisoes had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this present Act.

All Advantages and Penalties in the Malt Act of this Session, relating to Loans or Exchequer Bills thereby authorised to be made forth, extended to this Act.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all the Exchequer Bills, which shall be made in pursuance of this Act, and the Interest, Premium, Rate, and Charges, incident to, or attending the same, shall be, and are hereby charged and chargeable upon, and shall be repaid and borne by and out of the growing Produce of the said Surplusses, Excesses, and Overplus Monies, or 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 or other Act or Acts of Parliament in that Behalf); and such Monies of the said Sinking Fund shall and may be issued and applied, as soon as the same can be regularly stated and ascertained, for and towards the paying off, cancelling, and discharging, such Exchequer Bills, Interest, Premium, Rate, or Charges, until the Whole of them shall be paid off, cancelled, and discharged, or Money sufficient for that Purpose be kept and reserved in the Exchequer, to be payable on Demand to the respective Proprietors thereof.

The said Exchequer Bills, Interest, and Charges, are to be paid out of the Sinking Fund.

And be it declared and further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor and Company of the Bank of England to advance or lend to his Majesty, in like Manner, at the Receipt of the Exchequer, upon the Credit of Loan

Bank authorised to lend to His Majesty the Sum of 2,349,806 *l.* 12 *s.* 7 *d.* 3 *q.*

dained by this Act, any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the Whole the Sum of Two millions three hundred forty-nine thousand eight hundred and six Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Seven-pence Three Farthings, any Thing in an Act made in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of King William and Queen Mary, intituled, An Act for granting to Their Majesties several Rates and Duties upon Tonage of Ships and Vessels, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors; for securing certain Recompences and Advantages, in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds, towards carrying on the War against *France*, to the Contrary thereof in any-wise notwithstanding.

notwithstanding 5 and 6 *Gul. & Mariæ.*

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Sum of Three hundred and fifty thousand one hundred ninety-three Pounds, Seven Shillings and Four-pence Farthing, remaining in the Receipt of the Exchequer on the Fifth Day of April One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three, for the Disposition of Parliament, of the Monies which had then arisen of the Surplusses, Excesses, or Overplus Monies, and other Revenues composing the Fund, commonly called The Sinking Fund, after satisfying all the Charges and Incumbrances thereupon; and also the Sum of Nine thousand nine hundred sixty-one Pounds, Eleven Shillings and Eight-pence, remaining in the Receipt of the Exchequer for the Disposition of Parliament; and also the Sum of One hundred sixty-nine thousand three hundred ninety-eight Pounds, Eighteen Shillings and Two-pence, which, in pursuance of an Act, made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for carrying into Execution certain Proposals made by the *East India Company*, for the Payment of the annual Sum of Four hundred thousand Pounds, for a limited Time, in respect of the Territorial Acquisitions and Revenues lately obtained in the *East Indies*, is directed to be paid, within the present Year, into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer by the said Company; and also such of the Monies as shall be paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer after the Fifth Day April, One thousand seven hundred

The Sum of 350,193 *l.* 7 *s.* 4 *d.* 17. Surplus of the Sinking Fund in the Exchequer 10 *Oct.* 1773;

9961 *l.* 11 *s.* 8 *d.* remaining in the Exchequer on 5 *Jan.* 1772;

and 169,398 *l.* 18 *s.* 2 *d.* 49 *Geo.* III.;

and such Monies as shall be paid into the the Exchequer between *April* 5, 1773;

hundred and seventy-three, and on or before the Fifth Day of April, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-four, of the Produce of the Duties charged by an Act of Parliament, made in the Fifth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, upon the Importation and Exportation of Gum Senega and Gum Arabic, shall and may be issued and applied at the said Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, for and towards making good the said Supply; and the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, now, or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, are or is hereby authorised and impowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

and April 5, 1774, of the Produce of the Duties on *Gum Senega* and *Gum Arabic*;

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a Sum not exceeding Ten thousand Pounds, out of such Monies as shall be paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer on or before the Fifth Day of April, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-four, of the Produce of all or any of the Duties and Revenues which by any Act or Acts of Parliament have been directed to be reserved for the Disposition of Parliament, towards defraying the necessary Expences of defending, protecting, and securing, the British Colonies and Plantations in America, be applied towards making good such Part of the Supply as hath been granted to His Majesty for maintaining His Majesty's Forces and Garrisons in the Plantations, and for Provisions for the Forces in North America, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and the ceded Islands, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three: And the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the Time being, are or is hereby authorised and impowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

10,000*l.* for supporting the necessary Expences of Forces in *America, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland*, and the ceded Islands, out of the Monies paid into the Exchequer on *April* 5, 1774;

Appropriation of the Supplies.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all the Monies coming into the Exchequer, either by Loans or Exchequer Bills, upon One Act of this Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act for continuing and granting to His Majesty certain Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three,

The Monies arising by the Malt Tax,

and

and ſo much Money, if any ſuch be, of the Duties thereby granted, as ſhall ariſe or remain after all the Loans or Exchequer Bills made, or to be made, on the ſame Act, and all the Intereſt, Premium, Rate, and Charges thereon, and the Charges thereby allowable for raiſing the ſaid Duties, ſhall be ſatisfied, or Money ſufficient ſhall be reſerved in the Exchequer, to ſatisfy and diſcharge the ſame; and alſo all the Monies coming into the Exchequer, either by Loans or Exchequer Bills, upon One other Act of this Seſſion of Parliament, 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 ſeventy-three; and ſo much Money, if any ſuch be, of the Tax thereby granted, as ſhall ariſe or remain after all the Loans or Exchequer Bills made, or to be made, on the ſame Act, and all the Intereſt, Premium, Rate, and Charges thereon, and the Charges allowable thereby, for raiſing the ſaid Land Tax, ſhall be ſatisfied, or Money ſufficient ſhall be reſerved in the Exchequer to ſatisfy and diſcharge the ſame; and alſo the Sum of One Million, granted by One other Act of this Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, An Act for raiſing a certain Sum of Money by Loans or Exchequer Bills for the Service of the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-three; and alſo the ſaid Sum of Three hundred and fifty thouſand one hundred ninety-three Pounds, Seven Shillings, and Four-pence Farthing, remaining in the Receipt of the Exchequer on the Fifth Day of April, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-three, for the Diſpoſition of Parliament, of the Monies which had then ariſen of the Surpluſſes, Exceſſes, or Overplus Monies, and other Revenues compoſing the Fund, commonly called The Sinking Fund; and alſo the ſaid Sum of Nine thouſand nine hundred ſixty-one Pounds, Eleven Shillings and Eight-pence, remaining in the Receipt of the Exchequer, for the Diſpoſition of Parliament; and alſo the ſaid Sum of One hundred ſixty-nine thouſand three hundred ninety-eight Pounds, Eighteen Shillings and Two-pence, which, in purſuance of an Act, made in the Ninth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled, An Act for

Land Tax,

Loans,

and 350,193*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* 1*q.* remaining in the Exchequer on *April* 5, 1773.

and 9,961*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* remaining for Diſpoſition of Parliament;

and 169,398*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.* by Act 9 *Geo.* III.

carrying

carrying into Execution certain Propoſals made by the *Eaſt India Company*, for the Payment of the annual Sum of Four hundred thouſand Pounds, for a limited Time, in reſpect of the Territorial Acquiſitions and Revenues lately obtained in the *Eaſt Indies*, is directed to be paid, within the preſent Year, into the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer by the ſaid Company; and alſo ſuch of the Monies as ſhall be paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer after the Fifth Day of April, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-three, and on or before the Fifth Day of April, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-four, of the Produce of the Duties charged by an Act of Parliament, made in the Fifth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, upon the Importation and Exportation of Gum Senega and Gum Arabic; and alſo the further Sum of Two millions three hundred forty-nine thouſand eight hundred and ſix Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Sevenpence Three Farthings, by this Act granted, out of ſuch Monies as ſhall or may ariſe of the Surpluſſes, Exceſſes, or Overplus Monies, and other Revenues compoſing the Fund, commonly called The Sinking Fund, ſhall be further appropriated, and are hereby appropriated, and ſhall be iſſued and applied, for and towards the ſeveral Uſes and Purpoſes hereafter expreſſed, together with the Reſidue of the Monies ariſing from the Sale of French Prizes taken before the Declaration of the late War, which His Majeſty declared in a moſt Gracious Speech to his Parliament, that he had directed, for the Eaſe of his Subjects, to be applied to the publick Service; and alſo ſuch Sum or Sums of Money as His Majeſty, according to his moſt gracious Intentions, expreſſed in the ſame Speech, ſhall direct, for the further Eaſe of His Subjects, to be alſo applied to the publick Service, out of the Monies which have ariſen, or ſhall ariſe, by the Sale of Lands belonging to his Majeſty in the Iſlands of the Weſt Indies, which were ceded to his Majeſty by the late Treaty of Peace.

and ſuch Monies as ſhall be paid into the Exchequer between *April* 5, 1773, and *April* 5, 1774, of the Produce of the Duties on *Gum Senega* and *Gum Arabic*;

and 2,349,806*l.* 12*s.* 7*d.* 3*q.* granted by this Act out of the Sinking Fund;

together with the Money ariſing from the Sale of *French* Prizes taken before the Declaration of War;

and alſo ſuch Sum of Money as His Majeſty ſhall direct, to be applied to the publick Service, which ſhall ariſe by the Sale of the ceded Iſlands in the *Weſt Indies*.

And it is hereby alſo enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies provided as aforeſaid, there ſhall and may be iſſued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding

Out of the Supplies there ſhall be iſſued not exceeding 1,885,573*l.* 9*d.* towards Naval Services;

One million eight hundred eighty-five thousand five hundred seventy-three Pounds, and Nine-pence, for or towards the Naval Services herein particularly expressed; (that is to say), For or towards Victuals, Wages, Wear and Tear of the Navy, and the victualling thereof, performed and to be performed; and for or towards Sea Services in the Office of Ordnance, performed, and to be performed; and for or towards defraying the Ordinary of His Majesty's Navy, and for half-pay to Sea and Marine Officers; and for or towards maintaining Four thousand three hundred and fifty-four Marines; and towards the Buildings, Rebuildings, and Repairs, of Ships of War in His Majesty's Yards, and other extra Works, over and above what may be done upon the Heads of Wear and Tear, and Ordinary, for the year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three.

Not exceeding 218,460 *l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* towards Charges of the Office of Ordnance in 1773.

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two hundred eighteen thousand four hundred and sixty Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and Ten-pence, for the Charge of the Office of Ordnance for Land Service for the year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three.

17,954 *l.* 4*s.* 7*d.* for Charges of the Office of Ordnance not provided for in 1772.

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seventeen thousand nine hundred fifty-four Pounds, Four Shillings and Seven-pence, for defraying the Expence of Services performed by the Office of Ordnance for Land Service, and not provided for by Parliament, in One thousand seven hundred and seventy-two.

1,866,402 *l.* 7*s.* 3*d.* and 1 5-8ths of a Penny, towards the Land Forces.

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One million five hundred and six thousand four hundred and two Pounds, Seven Shillings and Three-pence, and Seven-eighth Parts of a Penny, for and towards maintaining His Majesty's Land Forces, and other Services, herein-after

more particularly expressed; that is to say, Any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Six hundred sixteen thousand eight hundred ninety-five Pounds, One Shilling and Ten-pence, for defraying the Charge of Seventeen thousand and seventy effective Men, commissioned and non-commissioned Officers included; and including One thousand five hundred and twenty-two Invalids for Guards, Garrisons, and other His Majesty's Land Forces in Great Britain, Jersey, and Guernsey, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Three hundred eighty-six thousand nine hundred thirty-five Pounds, Five Shillings and Ten-pence, and One eighth Part of a Penny, towards further maintaining His Majesty's Forces and Garrisons in the Plantations, and Africa, including those in Garrison at Minorca and Gibraltar, and for Provisions for the Forces in North America, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Gibraltar, the ceded Islands, and Africa, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding five thousand five hundred and three Pounds, Nine Shillings, and Five-pence, for defraying the Charge of the Difference of Pay between the British and Irish Establishment of Six Battalions and Three Companies of Foot, serving in the Isle of Man, at Gibraltar, Minorca, and the ceded Islands, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eleven thousand four hundred seventy-three Pounds, Eighteen Shillings, and Sixpence Halfpenny, for the Pay of the General and General Staff Officers in Great Britain, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred and eleven thousand one hundred twenty-seven Pounds, Five Shillings, and Ten-pence, upon account of the reduced Officers of His Majesty's Land Forces and Marines, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One thousand one hundred forty-eight Pounds, Ten Shillings, for defraying

of which 616,895 *l.* 11. 10 *d.* for defraying the Charges of 17,070 effective Men, &c.

and 1522 Invalids, for Guards, &c. in *Great Britain*, &c.

Not exceeding 386,935 *l.* 5 *s.* 10 *d.* and 1-8th Part of a Penny, for Forces and Garrisons in *Africa*, &c. and for Provisions for the Forces abroad;

5503 *l.* 9 *s.* 5 *d.* to make good the Difference of Pay between the *British* and *Irish* Establishment of the Troops in the *Isle of Man*, &c.;

11,473 *l.* 18 *s.* 6 *d.* 2 *q.* for General and General Staff Officers in *Great Britain*;

111,127 *l.* 5 *s.* 10 *d.* to the reduced Officers of the Land Forces and Marines;

1148 *l.* 10 *s.* to the Two Troops of Horse Guards reduced, and to the superannuated Gentlemen of the Four Troops of Horse Guards;

defraying the Charge for Allowances to the ſeveral Officers and private Gentlemen of the Two Troops of Horſe Guards reduced, and to the ſuperannuated Gentlemen of the Four Troops of Horſe Guards, for the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-three;

not exceeding 6,028 *l.* to the Penſions of Officers Widows;

and any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Six hundred and twenty-eight Pounds, for the paying of Penſions to the Widows of ſuch reduced Officers of His Majeſty's Land Forces and Marines as died upon the Eſtabliſhment of Half Pay in Great Britain, and who were married to them before the Twenty-fifth Day of December, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifteen, for the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding One hundred twenty-two thouſand nine hundred eighty-two Pounds, Three Shillings and Nine-pence, upon Account, towards defraying the Charge of Out-penſioners of Chelſea Hoſpital, for the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Two hundred forty-nine thouſand ſeven hundred and eight Pounds, Twelve Shillings and One Penny Farthing, towards defraying the extraordinary Expences of His Majeſty's Land Forces, and other Services incurred between the Twenty-fifth Day of February, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-two, and the Eighth Day of March, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-three, and not provided for by Parliament.

122,982 *l.* 3 *s.* 9 *d.* to the Out-penſioners of *Chelſea Hoſpital*;

249,708 *l.* 12 *s.* 1 *d.* 1 *q.* towards extraordinary Expences of the Land Forces, and other Services incurred, and not provided for.

1,800,000 *l.* for diſcharging Exchequer Bills of laſt Seſſion.

And it is hereby alſo enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforeſaid, there ſhall and may be iſſued and applied the Sum of One million eight hundred thouſand Pounds, for paying off and diſcharging the Exchequer Bills made out by virtue of an Act, paſſed in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, An Act for raiſing a certain Sum of Money by Loans or Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-two, and charged upon the firſt Aids to be granted in this Seſſion of Parliament.

And

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied the Sum of Six thousand two hundred Pounds, to make good to his Majesty the like Sum which has been issued by his Majesty's Orders, in pursuance of the Addresses of the House of Commons.

Not exceeding 62co*l.* to make good to His Majesty the like Sum issued in pursuance of the Addresses of the House of Commons.

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Five thousand One hundred forty-six Pounds, Ten Shillings, and Five Pence, upon Account, for maintaining and supporting the Civil Establishment of his Majesty's Colony of Nova Scotia, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Three thousand and eighty-six Pounds, upon Account, for defraying the Charges of the Civil Establishment of his Majesty's Colony of Georgia, and other incidental Expences attending the same, from the Twenty-fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, to the Twenty-fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and fifty Pounds, upon Account, for defraying the Expences of the Civil Establishment of his Majesty's Colony of East Florida, and other incidental Expences attending the same, from the Twenty-fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, to the Twenty-fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seven thousand two hundred seventy-four Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and Sixpence, upon Account, for defraying the Expences of the Civil Establishment of his Majesty's Colony of West Florida, and other incidental Expences attending the same, from the Twenty-fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, to the Twenty-fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One thousand eight hundred eighty-

5146*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.* for supporting the Civil Establishment of *Nova Scotia*;

3086*l.* for the Civil Establishment of *Georgia*;

4950*l.* for the Civil Establishment of *East Florida*;

7274*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* for the Civil Establishment of *West Florida*;

1885*l.* 4*s.* for defraying Expences attending Surveys in *North America*.

eighty-five Pounds Four Shillings, upon Account, for defraying the Expences attending General Surveys of his Majesty's Dominions in North America, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three.

Not exceeding 13,030*l.* for repairing and maintaining the Forts in *Africa*.

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Thirteen thousand Pounds, to be employed in repairing, maintaining, and supporting the British Forts and Settlements on the Coast of Africa;

6316*l.* 9*d.* 2*q.* for supporting the Civil Establishment of *Senegambia*.

and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Six thousand three hundred thirty-six Pounds, and Ninepence Halfpenny, upon Account, for defraying the Expence of supporting and maintaining the Civil Establishment of the Government of Senegambia, on that Part of the Coast of Africa situate between the Port of Sallee in South Barbary and Cape Rouge, for the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three.

2000*l.* for building a Bridge cross the *Thames*, from *Westminster*, to the opposite Shore in *Surrey*, &c.;

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Two thousand Pounds, towards enabling the Commissioners for building a Bridge cross the River Thames from the City of Westminster, to the opposite Shore in the County of Surrey, to maintain the said Bridge, and to perform the other Trusts reposed in them;

5000*l.* to the Governor and Company of Merchants of *England* trading to the *Levant Seas*.

and any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Five thousand Pounds, to be advanced to the Governor and Company of the Merchants of England trading into the Levant Seas, to be applied in assisting the said Company in carrying on their Trade.

6998*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* on account of the Expence of New Roads, &c. in the *Highlands* of *Scotland* in 1773.

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Six thousand nine hundred ninety-eight Pounds, Ten Shillings and Ninepence, upon Account of the Expences of the new Roads of Communication, and building Bridges in the Highlands of North Britain, in the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-three.

And

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied the Sum of Four thousand three hundred and sixty-three Pounds, to enable His Majesty to repay to Messieurs Hodgson, Gordon, and Debonnaire, the like Sum which has been overpaid by them to the Commissioners of Excise for the Duties of Excise upon Beer and Ale, such Commissioners not having made the full Allowance for Waste agreeable to the Directions of an Act of Parliament, passed in the First Year of King William and Queen Mary, (intituled, An Act for an additional Duty of Excise upon Beer and Ale, and other Liquors; and any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Two thousand Pounds, to be advanced to Doctor Richard Williams, of Saint Margaret's, Westminster, as a Reward for his inventing a fast Green and Yellow Dye on Cotton Yarns and Thread, and for discovering the Secret thereof.

Not exceeding 4363*l.* to repay Messrs *Hodgson*, *Gordon*, and *Debonnaire*, overpaid by them for Duties of Excise on Beer, *&c.*

2000*l.* to Mr. *Williams*, for his inventing a fast Green and Yellow Dye on Cotton Yarns, *&c.*

And it is hereby also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid, there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Forty-eight thousand two hundred forty-five Pounds, Eleven Shillings, and Sixpence, to replace to the Sinking Fund the like Sum paid out of the same to make good the Deficiency on the Fifth Day of July, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, of the Fund established for paying Annuities in respect of Five Millions borrowed by virtue of an Act, made in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, towards the Supply granted for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Twenty-one thousand eighty-five Pounds, One Shilling, and Seven-pence, to make good the Deficiency of the Grants for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-two.

48,245*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* to the Sinking Fund, to make good the Deficiency on *July* 5, 1772, of the Fund for paying Annuities;

21,085*l* 1*s.* 7*d.* to make good the Deficiency of Grants for 1772.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Aids and Supplies provided as aforesaid, shall not be issued or applied to any Use, Intent, or Purpose

The said Aids to be applied only to the Uses before mentioned.

Purpose whatsoever, other than the Uses and Purposes before mentioned, or for the several Deficiencies, or other Payments directed to be satisfied thereout by any Act or Acts, or any particular Clause or Clauses for that Purpose, contained in any other Act or Acts of this present Session of Parliament.

Rules to be observed in the Application of the Half Pay.

And, as to the Sum of One hundred and eleven thousand one hundred twenty-seven Pounds, Five Shillings, and Ten-pence, by this Act appropriated on account of Half Pay as aforesaid, it is hereby enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the Rules hereinafter prescribed shall be duly observed in the Application of the said Half Pay; that is to say, That no Person shall have or receive any Part of the same who was a Minor, and under the Age of Sixteen Years, at the Time when the Regiment, Troop, or Company, in which he served, was reduced; that no Person shall have or receive any Part of the same except such Person who did actual Service in some Regiment, Troop, or Company; that no Person having any other Place or Employment of Profit, Civil or Military, under his Majesty, shall have or receive any Part of the said Half Pay; that no Chaplain of any Garrison or Regiment, who has any Ecclesiastical Benefice in Great Britain or Ireland, shall have or receive any Part of the said Half Pay; that no Person shall have or receive any Part of the same who has resigned his Commission, and has had no Commission since; that no Part of the same shall be allowed to any Person, by virtue of any Warrant or Appointment, except to such Persons as would have been otherwise intitled to the same as reduced Officers; and that no Part of the same shall be allowed to any of the Officers of the Five Regiments of Dragoons, and Eight Regiments of Foot, lately disbanded in Ireland, except to such as were lately taken off the Establishment of Half Pay in Great Britain.

By Act 12 Geo. III.

And whereas by an Act of Parliament, made in the Twelfth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting to His Majesty a certain Sum of Money out of the Sinking Fund, and for applying certain Monies,

nies therein mentioned for the Service of the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-two, and for further appropriating the Supplies granted in this Seſſion of Parliament; and for making forth Duplicates of Exchequer Bills, Lottery Tickets, Certificates, Receipts, Annuity Orders, and other Orders, loſt, burnt, or deſtroyed; the ſeveral Supplies which had been granted to his preſent Majeſty, as is therein mentioned, were appropriated to the ſeveral Uſes and Purpoſes therein expreſſed, amongſt which any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding One hundred and fifteen thouſand ſeven hundred fifty-five Pounds, and Sixteen Shillings, was appropriated to be paid to the reduced Officers of His Majeſty's Land Forces and Marines for the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-two, ſubject nevertheleſs to ſuch Rules to be obſerved in the Application of the ſaid Half Pay, as in and by the aforeſaid Act were preſcribed in that Behalf: Now it is hereby provided, enacted, and declared, by the Authority aforeſaid, That ſo much of the ſaid Sum of One hundred and fifteen thouſand ſeven hundred fifty five Pounds, and Sixteen Shillings, as is or ſhall be more than ſufficient to ſatisfy the ſaid reduced Officers, according to the Rules preſcribed by the ſaid Act to be obſerved in the Application thereof, or any Part of ſuch Overplus, ſhall and may be diſpoſed of to ſuch Officers who are maimed, or have loſt their Limbs in the late Wars, or ſuch others as, by reaſon of their long Service, or otherwiſe, His Majeſty ſhall judge to be proper Objects of Charity, or to the Widows or Children of ſuch Officers, according to ſuch Warrant or Warrants, under His Majeſty's Royal Sign Manual, as ſhall be ſigned in that Behalf; any Thing in this Act, or the ſaid former Act, to the Contrary notwithſtanding.

a Sum not exceeding 115,765*l.* 16*s.* was appropriated to be paid to reduced Officers.

Overplus Monies, above ſatisfying ſaid Officers, to be diſpoſed of to Officers who were maimed, &c. in the late Wars, or to Officers Widows and Children, as His Majeſty ſhall direct.

And whereas John Harriſon of Red Lion Square, having, under the Encouragement of an Act, made in the Twelfth Year of Her Majeſty Queen Anne, intituled, An Act for granting a Reward for the Diſcovery of the Longitude at Sea, applied himſelf, with unremitting Induſtry for the Space of Forty-eight Years, to the making an Inſtrument for aſcertaining the Longitude at Sea; and

Act 12 *Anne.*

and having constructed a Time-keeper for that Purpose, and discovered the Principles of constructing the same, by which other Time-keepers have been already made, and found to answer with great exactness; from which Discovery, it is apprehended that great Benefit will arise to the Trade and Navigation of these Kingdoms, is highly deserving of publick Encouragement and Reward; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Treasurer of his Majesty's Navy, and he is hereby directed, out of any Sums of Money now in his Hands, to pay, or cause to be paid to the said John Harrison, a Sum not exceeding Eight thousand seven hundred and fifty Pounds, as a further Reward and Encouragement, over and above the Sums already received by him for his said Invention of a Time-keeper, and his Discovery of the Principles upon which the same was constructed.

Not exceeding 8750*l.* to be paid to Mr. *Harrison* for his Invention of a Time-keeper, *&c.*

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