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An Act for authorizing the billetting ſuch Troops of Yeomanry Cavalry as may be deſirous of aſſembling for the Purpoſe of being trained together, and for exempting from the Payment of certain Duties Perſons providing Horſes for the ſaid Yeomanry Cavalry.

[1ſt *June* 1798.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS many Corps and Troops of Volunteer Cavalry, raiſed under and by virtue of an Act paſſed in the Thirty-fourth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, or under and by virtue of Two Acts, paſſed in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, for raiſing a proviſional Force of Cavalry, are deſirous of aſſembling together at ſuch convenient Places, and for ſuch Time as may be fixed, under the Authority of this Act, for the Purpoſe of more effectually training and diſciplining themſelves; and for that Purpoſe it may be neceſſary to provide Quarters, and to billet ſuch of the ſaid Volunteers as may not find it convenient to return to their own Houſes after each Day's Exerciſe; may it therefore pleaſe Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted 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 whenever the Men enrolled, or the Majority of them, in any ſuch Troop or Corps of Volunteer Cavalry, ſhall, through their Captain

The County Lieutenant, on Deſire of Volunteer Caval-

ry to assemble for Exercise, may make Order for that Purpose, &c.

or Commanding Officer, signify in Writing to the Lieutenant of the County, Riding, or Place, where such Troop or Corps shall be raised, or in case of Vacancy, or in the Absence of the Lieutenant, to the Deputy Lieutenants executing the Office of the Lieutenant, their Desire to assemble under the Command of their own Officers at any Place in particular, or at any convenient Place or Places, either within the same County, Riding, or Place, or without, for the Purpose of being trained and exercised, for any Space of Time not exceeding in the Whole Twenty Days, either successively or at Intervals, within the Space of Five successive Months, and either in separate Corps or Troops, or together with any other Corps or Troops of Volunteer Cavalry, who shall also have signified their Desire of assembling for that Purpose in like Manner, or with any Regiment, Battalion, Troop or Troops of His Majesty's Regular Forces of Cavalry, or any Number of such Cavalry, in case His Majesty shall think proper to give Directions to such of His Cavalry as aforesaid for that Purpose, it shall be lawful for such Lieutenant or Deputy Lieutenants respectively, in every Year during the Continuance of this Act, in pursuance of the Desire of any Corps or Troop of Volunteer Cavalry, to be signified in Manner aforesaid, to make any Order for assembling such Volunteer Cavalry, to be directed to any Justice of the Peace of the County, Riding, or Place, where such Volunteer Cavalry shall be appointed to assemble themselves for the Purpose aforesaid, at such Place or Places as the said Lieutenant or Deputy Lieutenants as aforesaid, with the Concurrence of the General Officer having the Command of the District, and in case the Place appointed shall be in another County or Riding, then also with the Lieutenant of such County or Riding, or Deputy Lieutenants as aforesaid, in which Order shall be specified the Place and Places at which, and the precise Time or Times during which such Volunteer Cavalry are to continue so assembled under the Authority of this Act; and the Justice of the Peace, to whom such Order shall be directed, shall issue his Precept to the Constable, Headborough, or other Officer of the Peace of the Place where any such Volunteer Corps or Troops are to be assembled, for the quartering and billetting the Non-commissioned Officers, Privates, and Trumpeters of such Volunteer Corps or Troops, upon such Persons and in such Houses, situate in the Place or Places specified in such Order, as His Majesty's Regular Forces may by Law be quartered and billetted; and that, from and after the Delivery of any Order of the Lieutenant of any County, Riding, or Place, or Deputy Lieutenants, acting as aforesaid, made with such Consent and Concurrence as aforesaid, to any Justice of the Peace of any County, Riding, or Place, where any such Corps or Troop of Volunteer Cavalry are to assemble, it shall be lawful to quarter and billet the Non-commissioned Officers, Private Men, and Trumpeters, of any such Corps or Troop of Volunteer Cavalry, in all and every the Houses situate in such Place or Places as aforesaid, in which, and upon all and every the Persons on whom any of His Majesty's Regular Forces may by Law be quartered and billetted; and that, from and after the Delivery of any such Order, during the Times appointed as aforesaid for such Training and Exercise, all and every the Powers, Provisions, Rules, Penalties, Allowances, Matters, and Things, provided and established by any Act or Acts now or hereafter to be in Force for quartering and billetting His Majesty's Regular Forces, shall be used and put in Practice for the quartering and billetting the Corps and Troops of Volunteer Cavalry assembled

Justices to issue Precepts to Peace Officers for quartering such Volunteers, as for the Regular Forces.

ſembled under the Authority of this Act, as fully and effectually as if all and every the ſaid Powers, Proviſions, Rules, Penalties, Allowances, Matters, and Things, had been ſpecially re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

County Lieutenant to certify to the Receiver General, the Number of Men and Days appointed for Exerciſe, who ſhall iſſue Pay for the Volunteers to the Commanding Officer.

II. And be it further enacted, That whenever the Lieutenant of any County, Riding, or Place, or the Deputy Lieutenants as aforeſaid, ſhall have fixed the Days and Place of Exerciſe for any Corps or Troop of Volunteer Cavalry, he or they ſhall, as ſoon as may be, certify the ſame to the Receiver General of ſuch County, Riding, or Place, ſpecifying the Number of Men and the Number of Days appointed for exerciſing them, not exceeding in the Whole Twenty; and ſuch Receiver General is hereby required, within Fourteen Days after the Receipt of ſuch Certificate, to iſſue and pay to the Officer having the Command of each Corps or Troop, at the Rate of Two Shillings *per* Day for each ſuch Volunteer who ſhall attend the Place of Exerciſe, and One Shilling and Four-pence *per* Day for each Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, belonging to ſuch Corps or Troop, and uſed in Exerciſe.

Commanding Officer to make up his Accounts in the following Form;

III. And be it further enacted, That the Officer having the Command of each Troop of Volunteer Cavalry ſhall make up an Account of all Monies received and paid by him, on Account of ſuch Exerciſe, according to the following Form:

COUNTY of *Dr.*

	£.	s.	d.
To Caſh received of the Receiver General for Days Pay of Men - - - -			
To Ditto for Days Allowance for Horſes - -			

Per Contra *Cr.*

	£.	s.	d.
Paid Volunteer Cavalry Men for their Attendance at the Place of Exerciſe on the Days appointed, being Days Pay - - -			
Paid Allowance for Horſes uſed in Exerciſe for Days - - - - - -			

which he ſhall ſign and deliver to the Receiver General, &c.

Which Account ſhall be ſigned by the Officer having the Command of ſuch Troop; and ſuch Officer ſhall, within Ten Days after the Time ſuch Exerciſe is finiſhed, deliver ſuch Account, and pay the Balance, if there be any due, to the Receiver General; and ſuch Account ſhall be allowed as ſufficient Vouchers, in the paſſing of the Accounts of the Receiver General, by the proper Auditor of His Majeſty's Court of Exchequer.

No Toll to be taken for any Horſes belonging to Volunteer Cavalry, going to or returning from Exerciſe.

IV. And be it further enacted, That no Toll ſhall be demanded or taken at any Turnpike Gate or Bar, for any Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, furniſhed by or for any Perſons belonging to any Corps or Troops of Volunteer Cavalry, and rode by them, in going to or returning from the Place appointed for, and on the Days of Exerciſe; any Thing contained in any Act or Acts to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Perſons claiming ſuch Exemption

V. Provided always, That ſuch Perſons ſhall be dreſſed in the Uniform of their reſpective Corps or Troops, and have their Arms, Furnitures, and

to be dreſſed in their Uniform, *etc.*

and Accoutrements, according to the Regulations provided for ſuch Corps and Troops reſpectively, at the Time of claiming ſuch Exemption as aforeſaid.

No Perſon furniſhing a Horſe for a Volunteer Corps to be charged for it, with the Duty impoſed by 38 *Geo.* III, Cap. 16.

VI. And be it further enacted, That no Perſon who ſhall provide a Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, for any Perſon ſerving in any Volunteer Corps of Cavalry, raiſed under the Authority of any Act of Parliament now in force, or who ſhall at his or her Expence furniſh a Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, for any Perſon ſerving in any ſuch Corps as aforeſaid, ſhall be charged or chargeable for ſuch Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, with any of the Duties impoſed by an Act, paſſed in the preſent Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, *An Act for granting to His Majeſty an Aid and Contribution for the Proſecution of the War*; but that every ſuch Perſon keeping One ſuch Horſe, Mare, or Gelding only, ſhall be wholly exempt from the ſaid Duties during his Continuance in the ſaid Service; and that every ſuch Perſon keeping more than One ſuch Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, ſhall, during his Continuance in ſuch Service, be aſſeſſed and charged according to the Rates in the ſaid Act preſcribed, for One Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, leſs than the Number of Horſes, Mares, or Geldings, by him kept and uſed as aforeſaid.

In the Certificates of Commanding Officers, the Perſons who ſerve, and who furniſh Horſes for others, ſhall be inſerted.

VII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in the Certificate of the Commanding Officer of the Corps or Troop in which any ſuch Perſon as aforeſaid ſhall ſerve, not only the ſeveral Perſons who ſhall ſerve, but alſo the ſeveral Perſons who ſhall furniſh any Horſes, Mares, or Geldings, for any other Perſons ſerving in any ſuch Corps, ſhall be inſerted, and that Affidavits of the ſeveral Perſons ſerving in ſuch Corps, for whom any Horſes, Mares, or Geldings ſhall be furniſhed, declaring by whom reſpectively the ſame are furniſhed, ſhall, in every ſuch Caſe, be annexed to ſuch Certificate.

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