

ANNO TRICESIMO OCTAVO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. LXXIV.

An Act for raising a Body of Miners in the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*, for the Defence of the Kingdom, during the present War.

[21st *June* 1798.]

Preamble. 26 *Geo.* III, Cap. 107, recited.

WHEREAS, by an Act passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for amending, and reducing into One Act of Parliament, the Laws relating to the Militia, in that Part of* Great Britain *called* England, it is provided, That nothing therein contained should extend to the Miners in the Counties of *Devon* and *Cornwall*, but that the Warden of the Stannaries, in pursuance of His Majesty's Commission in that Behalf, and such as he should commissionate and authorize under him, should have and

uſe the like Powers, and array, aſſeſs, arm, muſter, and exerciſe the ſaid Miners, within the ſaid Counties, or either of them, as hath been theretofore uſed, and according to the ancient Privileges and Cuſtoms of the ſaid Stannaries, and the like Proviſion had been made by divers former Acts of Parliament concerning the Militia: And whereas, by reaſon of the Length of Time which elapſed ſince any Commiſſion hath iſſued to the Warden of the Stannaries aforeſaid, to array, aſſeſs, arm, muſter, and exerciſe the ſaid Miners, great Difficulties might occur in the Execution of ſuch Commiſſion, and it is therefore expedient that Proviſion ſhould be made for arming, arraying, and exerciſing a certain Proportion of ſuch Miners, for the Defence of the Kingdom during the preſent War; be it therefore 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,

His Majeſty may authorize the Warden of the Stannaries to call out the Miners.

That His Majeſty may, from Time to Time as Occaſion ſhall require, iſſue His Commiſſion to the Warden of the Stannaries of the Counties of *Devon* and *Cornwall*, giving him Power and Authority during His Majeſty's Pleaſure, and ſuch Warden is hereby, according to ſuch Commiſſion, authorized and required to call together, arm, array, and cauſe to be trained and exerciſed, ſuch Miners, in ſuch Numbers and in ſuch Manner as herein-after is directed; and the ſaid Warden ſhall conſtitute and appoint, from Time to Time, ſuch Perſons as he ſhall think fit, being qualified as herein-after mentioned, to be his Deputy Wardens for the ſpecial Purpoſes of this Act, the Names of ſuch Perſons having been firſt preſented to and approved by His Majeſty; and the ſaid Warden ſhall alſo appoint ſuch Field Officers and other Officers as herein-after directed, qualified as herein-after mentioned, to train and diſcipline, and command the Miners, ſo to be armed and arrayed, according to the Rules, Orders, and Directions after mentioned, and ſhall certify to His Majeſty the Names and Ranks of all ſuch Officers ſo to be appointed; and if His Majeſty ſhall, within Fourteen Days after ſuch Certificate ſhall have been laid before Him, ſignify His Diſapprobation of any of the Perſons ſo to be appointed, it ſhall not be lawful for the ſaid Warden to grant a Commiſſion to any Perſon ſo diſapproved, but Commiſſions ſhall be granted by the ſaid Warden to all ſuch Perſons ſo to be appointed as ſhall not be diſapproved by His Majeſty, and the Officers ſo appointed ſhall rank with the Militia Officers of this Kingdom, according to the Dates of their reſpective Commiſſions, and with all Officers of His Majeſty's Forces, in the ſame Manner as the ſaid Militia Officers are entitled to rank; and the Commiſſions ſo to be granted by the ſaid Warden ſhall not be vacated by reaſon of the Revocation, Expiration, or Diſcontinuance of His Majeſty's Commiſſion to the ſaid Warden: Provided always nevertheleſs, That if any Warden of the ſaid Stannaries, to whom His Majeſty ſhall have iſſued His Commiſſion as aforeſaid, ſhall be removed from, or reſign his Office of Warden of the ſaid Stannaries, and ceaſe to be Warden of the ſaid Stannaries, the ſaid Commiſſion iſſued to the ſaid Warden for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, and all and every the Powers and Authorities veſted in ſuch Warden by virtue of ſuch Commiſſion, and of this Act, ſhall ceaſe and determine.

Warden to appoint his Deputies and Officers, &c.

Rank of Officers.

Commiſſions not vacated by the Revocation or Expiration of the Warden's Commiſſion.

II. And

II. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Warden ſhall conſtitute and appoint Twelve Special Deputy Wardens at the leaſt for the Purpoſes of this Act, if ſo many Perſons can be found qualified as herein-after directed, that is to ſay, every ſuch Perſon ſo to be appointed a Special Deputy Warden ſhall be qualified in the ſame Manner as Deputy Lieutenants are required to be qualified by the ſaid Act of the Twenty-ſixth Year of His Majeſty's Reign, in the ſaid Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*; and every Perſon ſo to be appointed a Special Deputy Warden ſhall take and ſubſcribe the Oaths, and make, repeat, and ſubſcribe, the Declaration required to be taken, made, repeated, and ſubſcribed, by ſuch Deputy Lieutenants, by virtue of the ſaid Act of the Twenty-ſixth Year of His Majeſty's Reign, changing only what ought to be changed.

Warden to appoint qualified Special Deputy Wardens, who ſhall take the Oath preſcribed by recited Act.

III. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for any Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace of the ſaid Counties reſpectively, together with One or more Special Deputy Warden or Deputy Wardens, to do all Matters and Things in the Execution of this Act, which might be done by a like Number of Special Deputy Wardens, in the ſame Manner as Juſtices of the Peace are authorized to act with Deputy Lieutenants in executing the Laws concerning the Militia.

Juſtices with Deputy Wardens may act.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Warden ſhall, from Time to Time, appoint a Clerk of the General Meetings to be holden as herein-after directed, and may diſplace ſuch Clerk if he ſhall think fit, and appoint another in his Room; and the Special Deputy Wardens within their reſpective Subdiviſions, or the major Part of thoſe preſent at any Subdiviſion Meeting, ſhall alſo, from Time to Time, appoint a Clerk for their Subdiviſions, and may diſplace ſuch Clerk as they, or the major Part of them, ſhall think fit, and appoint another in his Room; and ſuch Clerk of ſuch General Meetings ſhall be paid Five Guineas for every General Meeting, and ſuch Clerks of Subdiviſion Meetings ſhall be paid One Guinea for every Subdiviſion Meeting; ſuch Fees to be paid by the Receiver General of the Land Tax in the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon* reſpectively; and ſuch Clerks ſhall receive no other Fee or Reward whatſoever.

Warden to appoint a Clerk of the General Meetings, and Deputy Wardens a Clerk for their Subdiviſions.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Number of Men to be raiſed by virtue of this Act ſhall be One-Seventh Part of the Number of Perſons who ſhall appear to be liable to be ballotted to ſerve in purſuance of this Act, as herein-after directed.

Number of Men to be raiſed.

VI. And be it further enacted, That General Meetings of the ſaid Warden and Special Deputy Wardens ſhall be holden at the moſt convenient Towns of the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon* reſpectively, and ſuch Meetings ſhall conſiſt of the Warden and Two Special Deputy Wardens at the leaſt, or on the Death, Removal, or Abſence, of the Warden, of Three Special Deputy Wardens at the leaſt, and Notice thereof ſhall be given Fourteen Days at the leaſt before the Day of any

General Meetings to be holden, of which 14 Days previous Notice ſhall be given.

such Meeting, in some Newspaper or Newspapers usually circulated in the said Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon* respectively; and such General Meeting shall and may summon other Meetings, and be adjourned in the same Manner as General Meetings of Lieutenancy may be summoned and adjourned, by virtue of the Laws in force concerning the Militia Forces of that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*.

General Meeting may summon other Meetings.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the said Warden and Special Deputy Wardens, or such of them as shall be present at the First General Meeting to be held in pursuance of this Act, in each of the said Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*, shall appoint the several Subdivision Meetings which shall be held within the Four Stannaries of *Blackmore*, *Foymore*, *Tywarnhaite Penwith*, and *Kerrier* respectively, for the County of *Cornwall*, and within the Four Stannaries of *Chagford*, *Ashburton*, *Plymton*, and *Tavistock*, for the County of *Devon*; which Subdivision Meetings shall consist of Two Special Deputy Wardens, or One Special Deputy Warden and One Justice of the Peace for the County within which such Subdivision Meeting shall be holden; and such Subdivision Meetings shall have the like Powers and Authorities for the Purposes of this Act, as the Subdivision Meetings of Lieutenancy have for the Purposes of the several General Acts concerning the Militia Forces of *England*.

First General Meeting to appoint Subdivision Meetings, &c.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That, at the First General Meeting to be holden in pursuance of this Act in each of the said Counties, the said Warden and Special Deputy Wardens respectively, present at each of such Meetings, shall issue their Orders to the Chief Constables, and where there is no Chief Constable, to some other Officer of the Hundred or other Division, within the said Counties respectively, where Miners do dwell, requiring every such Chief Constable or other Officer to issue an Order, under his Hand, to all Constables, Tythingmen, and other Officers of every Parish, Tything, or Place, within the said Hundreds, or other Divisions respectively where Miners do dwell, to return to the Special Deputy Wardens, within their respective Subdivisions, at the Places and at the Times to be appointed for that Purpose, full and true Lists, in Writing, of all and every the Miners dwelling within their respective Parishes and Places, between the Ages of Eighteen and Forty-five Years, distinguishing their respective Occupations as Miners, and where the true Names and Descriptions of such Miners cannot be procured, their common Appellations shall be sufficient, and distinguishing which of such Persons so returned labour under any Infirmity likely to incapacitate them from serving in pursuance of this Act, and having first affixed a true Copy of the List intended to be so returned on the Door of the Church or Chapel belonging to every such Parish or Place; or if any such Parish or Place shall have no Church or Chapel belonging thereto, then on the Door of the Church or Chapel of some Parish or Place adjoining, on some *Sunday* Morning before such Return shall be made, which shall be Three Days at the least before the Meeting appointed for receiving such Return, and having also written at the Bottom of such Copy so affixed on the Door of such Church or Chapel, Notice of the Day and Place of such Meeting; and that all Persons who shall think

First General Meeting to issue Orders to the Chief Constables, &c. to return to the Special Deputy Wardens Lists of Miners between 18 and 45 Years old.

Copies of Lists to be affixed on the Church Door.

Appeals when to be made.

think themſelves aggrieved may then appeal, and that no Appeal will afterwards be received; and at the Days and Places ſo to be appointed for the Returns of ſuch Liſts, the Conſtables, Tythingmen, and other Officers reſpectively, ſhall attend and verify the ſame upon Oath; and the ſaid Special Deputy Wardens, or any Two or more of them, or any Special Deputy Warden and One or more Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, aſſembled in their reſpective Subdiviſions, ſhall proceed to hear Appeals, and amend ſuch Liſts, and cauſe Duplicates of ſuch amended Liſts to be made, and otherwiſe to act therein in the ſame Manner as Deputy Lieutenants and Juſtices are authorized to proceed in the like Caſes, with reſpect to the Returns of Men to be ballotted for the Militia in *England*.

Conſtables to attend to verify Liſts.

Subdiviſions to hear Appeals, &c.

IX. Provided always, and be it enacted, That no Perſon ſhall be ſtruck off the ſaid Liſts upon Appeal, on Pretence that ſuch Perſon is not a privileged Miner, if ſuch Perſon, being above the Age of Eighteen Years, was left out of the Liſt laſt returned under the Laws concerning the Militia Forces of *England*, for the Pariſh or Place where he reſided as a privileged Miner, and unleſs ſuch Perſon ſhall upon Oath, or Affirmation (if a Quaker), declare that he was not left out of ſuch Liſt by reaſon of his being a privileged Miner, but by Miſtake or Neglect, or for ſome other Cauſe.

No Perſon above 18 Years old to be ſtruck off the Liſts as not being a privileged Miner, if left out of the Liſt laſt returned as One.

X. And be it further enacted, That if any Conſtable, Tything Man, or other Officer, ſhall wilfully omit or neglect to inſert in any ſuch Liſt the Name of any Perſon which ought to be inſerted therein, every ſuch Conſtable, Tything Man, or other Officer, ſhall forfeit and loſe, for every ſuch Offence, the Sum of Twenty Pounds.

Penalty of 20*l.* for omitting Names in Liſts.

XI. And be it further enacted, That in order to enable the ſaid Special Wardens to correct and amend the ſaid Liſts, and diſcover whether all the Names have been inſerted which ought to have been inſerted therein, the ſaid Special Deputy Wardens ſhall, if they ſhall think fit, iſſue their Precept to the Chief Captain of any Mine, or to the Agent of any Blowing Houſe or Smelting Houſe within any Subdiviſion, requiring ſuch Chief Captain or Agent to return to ſuch Special Deputy Wardens, at any Subdiviſion Meeting, as they ſhall ſee fit, a true Liſt of all the Working Miners employed in or about the Buſineſs of ſuch Mine, Blowing Houſe, or Smelting Houſe, and deſcribing their Occupations as Miners, and where they reſpectively dwell; and if any ſuch Captain or Agent ſhall wilfully omit or neglect to inſert in ſuch Liſt the Name of any Perſon which ought to be inſerted therein, ſuch Captain or Agent ſhall forfeit and loſe the Sum of Fifty Pounds.

Special Wardens may require Chief Captains of Mines, or Agents of Blowing Houſes, to return Liſts of the Miners employed, &c.

Penalty of 50*l.* for omitting Names in ſuch Liſts.

XII. And be it further enacted, That after ſuch Return ſhall have been made, and ſuch Liſts amended and made compleat as aforeſaid, the ſaid Special Deputy Wardens, within their reſpective Subdiviſions, ſhall, at Subdiviſion Meetings to be holden for that Purpoſe, appoint what Number of Men ſhall ſerve for each Subdiviſion, that is to ſay, One Man in Seven of all the Men contained in the amended Liſts for ſuch

After Liſts are completed, Special Wardens to appoint the Number of Men to ſerve for each Subdiviſion, and for each Place

therein, and to appoint another Meeting for chuſing the Men by Ballot, &c.

ſuch Subdiviſion; and ſhall further proceed to appoint what Number of Men ſo to be appointed to ſerve for ſuch Subdiviſion ſhall ſerve for each Pariſh and Place within ſuch Subdiviſion, in Proportion to the Numbers appointed to ſerve for ſuch Subdiviſion; and ſhall appoint another Meeting to be holden within the ſame Subdiviſion, as ſoon as conveniently may be, and within Three Weeks from the Day of the prior Meeting, and ſhall iſſue an Order to the Chief Conſtables or other Officers of the reſpective Hundreds and Places within ſuch Subdiviſion, requiring them to give Notice to the Conſtable, Tything Man, or other Officer of every Pariſh or Place within their reſpective Hundreds and Places, of the Time and Place of the next Subdiviſion Meeting; and the ſaid Special Deputy Wardens, or any Two of them, at ſuch Subdiviſion Meeting, ſhall cauſe the Number of Men appointed to ſerve as aforeſaid to be choſen by Ballot out of the Duplicate of the Liſt returned for every Pariſh and Place, and amended as aforeſaid, in the ſame Manner as Men are choſen by Ballot to ſerve in the Militia in *England*; and ſhall appoint another Meeting to be holden in the ſame Subdiviſion, as ſoon as conveniently may be, and within Three Weeks after ſuch prior Meeting, and ſhall iſſue an Order to the Chief Conſtables, or other Officers of the ſeveral Hundreds or Places within ſuch Subdiviſion, to direct the Conſtable or other Officer of every Pariſh or Place, to give Notice to each Man ſo choſen to ſerve as aforeſaid, to appear at ſuch Meeting ſo to be appointed, which Notice ſhall be given to him, or left at his Place of Abode, at leaſt Seven Days before ſuch Meeting; and ſuch Conſtable or other Officer ſhall attend ſuch Meeting, and make a Return on Oath of the Service of ſuch Notice; and every Perſon ſo choſen by Ballot ſhall, upon ſuch Notice, appear at ſuch Meeting, and there take the following Oath; that is to ſay,

Perſons choſen to take the following Oath;

'I *A. B.* do ſincerely promiſe and ſwear, That I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majeſty King *George*; and I do ſwear, that I will faithfully ſerve in the Regiment of Miners of the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*, within the Kingdom of *Great Britain*, for the Defence of the ſame, during the preſent War, and for the Space of Six Calendar Months after the End thereof.'

and to be enrolled.

And every ſuch Perſon ſhall be enrolled (in a Roll to be then and there prepared for that Purpoſe) to ſerve in the ſaid Regiment during the preſent War, and for the Space of Six Calendar Months after the End thereof.

Perſons balloted may produce Subſtitutes, who may be enrolled.

XIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That any Perſon ſo choſen by Ballot may produce a Subſtitute, who, if approved, may be enrolled and ſworn in the ſame Manner as Subſtitutes may be ſworn and enrolled in the Caſe of Men choſen by Ballot to ſerve in the Supplementary Militia in that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*.

If the full Number of Men for any Subdiviſion

XIV. And be it further enacted, That if through any Neglect or Miſtake, or from any other Cauſe, the full Number of Men appointed for any Subdiviſion ſhould not be duly enrolled at the Meeting appointed

for that Purpoſe, then the ſaid Special Deputy Wardens, or any Two or more of them, at their ſaid Meeting, or at ſome ſubſequent Meeting, are hereby required immediately to proceed to a freſh Ballot, and to adjourn their Meeting, and appoint other Meetings, and amend the Liſts, and repeat the amending of Liſts as may be neceſſary and expedient for carrying the Purpoſes of this Act duly and fully into Execution, in the ſame Manner as Deputy Lieutenants may do for the like Purpoſes by the Laws in Force concerning the Militia.

ſhall not be enrolled, a freſh Ballot to be taken.

XV. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for any One Special Deputy Warden or Juſtice of the Peace to adminiſter the Oath herein-before required to be taken, either to any Perſon ballotted, or to any Perſon who ſhall offer to ſerve as a Subſtitute; and ſuch Special Deputy Warden, or Juſtice of the Peace, is hereby authorized to direct and require the Clerk of the Subdiviſion for which every ſuch Perſon is to ſerve, to enrol in the Roll of ſuch Subdiviſion the Name of ſuch Perſon, together with the Day on which the ſaid Oath was ſo adminiſtered to ſuch Perſon.

A Deputy Warden or Juſtice may adminiſter Oaths, and direct the Clerk to enrol the Perſons ſworn.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon choſen by Ballot as aforeſaid ſhall refuſe or neglect to appear, and take the Oath aforeſaid, and ſerve in the ſaid Regiment, or provide a Subſtitute, who ſhall take the ſaid Oath and be enrolled according to the Proviſions herein contained, every ſuch Perſon ſo refuſing or neglecting ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifteen Pounds, and be liable, whenever a Ballot ſhall again take place under the Authority of this Act, to ſerve in the ſaid Regiment, or provide a Subſtitute; and in Default of Payment of ſuch Penalty as aforeſaid, or for Want of ſufficient Effects whereon to levy the ſame, the Name of ſuch Perſon ſhall be entered on the Roll, and ſuch Perſon ſhall be delivered over to the proper Officer of the Regiment, and ſhall be compelled to ſerve in the ſaid Regiment in the ſame Manner as if he had appeared, and been duly ſworn and enrolled, and ſhall be ſubject to the ſame Puniſhment for afterwards abſconding or deſerting, as he would have been ſubject to in caſe he had appeared, and been duly ſworn and enrolled: Provided always, That if any Perſon ſo ballotted to ſerve in the ſaid Regiment ſhall be One of the People called *Quakers*, the ſame Proceedings ſhall be had with reſpect to ſuch Perſon as may be had with reſpect to a Quaker ballotted to ſerve in the Militia in *England*; and all and every the Proviſions with reſpect to the People called *Quakers* in the ſeveral Acts concerning the Militia Forces of *England*, ſhall be carried into Execution in the levying of Men to be raiſed by virtue of this Act, in the ſame Manner, and as fully and amply as if the ſame had been repeated and enacted in the Body of this Act.

If Perſons choſen by Ballot do not appear or provide Subſtitutes, they ſhall forfeit 15*l.* and be liable to ſerve on a new Ballot, and if Penalty be not paid ſhall be compellable to ſerve.

Quakers ballotted, to be proceeded with as Quakers in the Militia Forces.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Special Deputy Wardens, or any Two or more of them, within their reſpective Subdiviſions, to add together the Liſts of Two or more Pariſhes or Places within ſuch Subdiviſion, and proceed upon ſuch Liſts added together in the ſame Manner as if ſuch Liſts had been originally returned for One Pariſh or Place, ſo as to make the Choice of Men by Ballot

Liſts of Two Places may be added together.

Ballot within every Pariſh and Place in each Subdiviſion as equal as poſſible.

If Liſts be loſt, the Deputy Wardens may cauſe new Liſts to be made out.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That if the Liſt of any Pariſh or Place ſhall be loſt or deſtroyed, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Special Deputy Wardens, or any Two or more of them, to cauſe a new Liſt of ſuch Pariſh or Place to be made and returned to them at their next or any ſubſequent Subdiviſion Meeting, and to enforce the Return thereof, and to proceed thereupon in the ſame Manner as they might have done upon the Liſt ſo loſt or deſtroyed if the ſame had not been loſt or deſtroyed.

Eſtabliſhment of the Regiment.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Regiment ſhall conſiſt of ſo many Companies (the Number of Men not being leſs than Sixty Men in each Company) as His Majeſty ſhall direct; and the Field Officers of ſuch Regiment ſhall be One Colonel, One Lieutenant Colonel, Two Majors, and no more, unleſs the private Men ballotted to ſerve in the ſaid Regiment, and ſworn and enrolled, ſhall exceed Twelve hundred Men, in which Caſe the ſaid Regiment ſhall be formed into Two Battalions, each Battalion having Two Field Officers, that is to ſay, One Lieutenant Colonel and One Major, and the Two Battalions ſhall form One Regiment, to be commanded by the Colonel; and there ſhall alſo be One Captain, One Lieutenant, and One Enſign, to each Company, ſuch Companies containing Sixty Men at the leaſt in each Company; Provided always, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Regiment to have One Company of Grenadiers and One of Light Infantry, to each of which Companies Two Lieutenants ſhall be appointed inſtead of a Lieutenant and Enſign; and it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Warden, if he ſhall think fit, with the Approbation of His Majeſty, to be the Colonel of the ſaid Regiment inſtead of appointing another Perſon to be Colonel thereof.

The Warden may be the Colonel.

The Officers to have the ſame Qualification as for the Supplementary Militia.

XX. And be it further enacted, That the Lieutenant Colonel or Lieutenant Colonels, and other Officers of the ſaid Regiment, ſhall be Perſons having the like Qualifications as by the Act, paſſed in the Thirty-ſeventh Year of His Majeſty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for providing an Augmentation to the Militia, to be trained and exerciſed in the Manner therein directed; and for enabling His Majeſty to cauſe the ſame to be embodied, in caſe of Neceſſity, for the Defence of theſe Kingdoms*; or by any other Act of Parliament reſpecting the Supplementary Militia, is required for Officers of the ſame Rank ſerving in the ſaid Supplementary Militia for the ſaid Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*.

His Majeſty may appoint an Adjutant from the Regulars, the Militia, or the Volunteer Corps.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That His Majeſty may appoint One proper Perſon, or in caſe the ſaid Regiment ſhall be formed into Two Battalions, Two proper Perſons, who ſhall have ſerved, or ſhall, at the Time of ſuch Appointment, actually ſerve in ſome of His Majeſty's Forces, or in ſome Body of Militia, or ſome Volunteer Corps, to be Adjutant or Adjutants of the ſaid Regiment; and ſuch Adjutant or Adjutants ſhall and may have the like Privileges, Benefits, and Advantages,

tages, as an Adjutant appointed to any Body of Militia is entitled to by the Laws now in Force concerning the Militia.

The Colonel to appoint a Regimental Clerk to act as Paymaster.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That the Colonel of the said Regiment shall appoint a Regimental Clerk, or in case the said Regiment shall be divided into Two Battalions, shall appoint Two Battalion Clerks, who shall execute the Office of Paymaster or Paymasters, in the same Manner, and with the like Benefits, as Persons appointed to the like Offices by the Colonels or Commanding Officers of Regiments or Battalions of Militia.

The Serjeants, Corporals, and Drummers, to be appointed as to Militia Regiments.

XXIII And be it further enacted, That Serjeants, Corporals, and Drummers, shall be appointed to the said Regiment, in the same Manner as Serjeants, Corporals, and Drummers, are appointed to Militia Regiments; and such Serjeants and Corporals shall take the same Oath to serve in the said Regiment of Miners as Serjeants and Corporals of Militia are, by the said Act of the Twenty-sixth of His Majesty's Reign, required to take to serve in the Militia, changing only what ought to be changed.

The Provisions of Acts concerning the Militia Forces in *England*, for holding Meetings, &c. to extend to this Act, so far as applicable.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Provisions contained in the said Act of the Twenty-sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, and in any other Act of Parliament concerning the Militia Forces of *England*, for holding the several General and Subdivision Meetings of Lieutenancy of the several Counties and Places therein mentioned, and appointing new or other Meetings, and for procuring and compelling Returns, and proceeding thereon, and for ballotting men to serve in the said Militia; and all and every the Powers, Provisions, Rules, Regulations, Penalties, and Forfeitures, Bounties, Allowances, Clauses, Matters, and Things contained in the said Act of the Twenty-sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, or in any other Act of Parliament now in Force relative to the raising, training, embodying, and calling out the said Militia, or providing for the Families of Militia Men called out, or in any Act respecting the paying, cloathing, or subsisting the Militia, or touching the billetting the said Militia, or otherwise touching such Militia, shall be applied, practised, and put in Execution with respect to the Regiment hereby directed to be raised, in as full and ample Manner as if all and every such Powers, Provisions, Rules, Regulations, Penalties, Forfeitures, Bounties, and Allowances, Clauses, Matters, and Things had been again repeated and enacted in this Act, so far as the same respectively are applicable to the Provisions of this Act, and are not repugnant to or altered thereby.

Maintenance of Militia Mens Families, and Bounties, to be repaid out of the County Rates.

XXV. Provided always nevertheless, and be it enacted, That all and every the Sums of Money which, according to the Provisions made by Law for the Maintenance of the Families of Militia Men, and by virtue of this Act, shall be paid for the Maintenance of the Families of Men serving in pursuance of this Act, and all and every the Bounties to be paid under this Act, shall be repaid to every such Parish or Place out of the general Rates of the County by the Treasurer of the County in

which ſuch Pariſh or Place ſhall happen to be, in purſuance of any Order by One or more Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, to be made for that Purpoſe.

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