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An Act for repealing Two Acts, made in the Thirty-ſecond and Thirty-ſixth Years of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, for the more effectual Adminiſtration of the Office of a Juſtice of the Peace, in ſuch Parts of the Counties of *Middleſex* and *Surrey*, as lie in and near the Metropolis, and for the more effectual Prevention of Felonies; and for making other Proviſions in lieu thereof; and for increaſing the Salaries of the Juſtices at the *Thames* Police Office; until the Firſt Day of *June* One thouſand eight hundred and ſeven, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament.

[22d *June* 1802.]

WHEREAS an Act was made in the Thirty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for the more* 32 Geo. 3. c. 53. *effectual Adminiſtration of the Office of a Juſtice of the Peace, in ſuch Parts of the Counties of* Middleſex *and* Surrey, *as lie in and near the Metropolis, and for the more effectual Prevention of Felonies*; which was to continue in force until the Firſt Day of *June* One thouſand ſeven hundred

and ninety-five, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of
36 Geo. 3. c. 75. recited, Parliament; which, by another Act made in the Thirty-ſixth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, was continued for the Term of Five Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament: And whereas it is expedient that the ſaid Acts ſhould be repealed, and more effectual Proviſions made in lieu thereof: May it therefore pleaſe Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's moſt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Authority of the ſame, That the ſaid Acts ſhall, from and after the paſſing of this Act, be, and the ſame are hereby repealed.

and repealed.

The Seven Publick Offices now eſtabliſhed, and the Juſtices acting therein, ſhall be continued.

II. And be it enacted, That the ſeveral Publick Offices now eſtabliſhed in the following Places; namely, the Pariſhes of *Saint Margaret Weſtminſter*, *Saint James Weſtminſter*, *Saint James Clerkenwell*, *Saint Leonard Shoreditch*, *Saint Mary Whitechapel*, and *Saint Paul Shadwell*, in the County of *Middleſex*, and at or near *Saint Margaret's Hill* in the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surrey*, ſhall be continued, and the ſeveral Perſons appointed by His Majeſty to execute the Office of Juſtice of the Peace at each of the ſaid Offices, by virtue of the ſaid Act, ſhall continue to execute the ſame, together with ſuch other Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid Counties reſpectively as may think proper to attend.

His Majeſty may appoint Juſtices to fill up Vacancies.

III. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for His Majeſty, from Time to Time, upon any Vacancy in any of the ſaid Offices, by Death or otherwiſe, to appoint other fit and proper Perſons, being Juſtices of the Peace of the ſaid Counties of *Middleſex* and *Surrey* reſpectively, to execute the Duties of the ſaid Office in his Place; and that One or more of the ſaid Juſtices, ſo appointed as aforeſaid, ſhall diligently attend at each of the ſaid Publick Offices every Day, from Ten of the Clock in the Morning until Eight of the Clock in the Evening, and at ſuch other Times and Places as ſhall be found neceſſary; and that Two of the ſaid Juſtices ſo to be appointed as aforeſaid ſhall in like Manner attend together at each of the ſaid Offices, from Twelve of the Clock at Noon until Three in the Afternoon, and from Six of the Clock in the Evening until Eight of the Clock in the Evening of every Day: Provided always, that the Attendance of One of the ſaid Juſtices may be ſupplied during the Hours at which the Attendance of Two is required as aforeſaid, by any other Juſtice of the Peace for the ſaid Counties of *Middleſex* or *Surrey* reſpectively.

Juſtices ſhall attend at certain Hours.

No Juſtice, *etc.* ſhall take Fees but at the Publick Offices on Penalty of 100 *l.*;

IV. And be it enacted, That no Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*, County of *Surrey*, City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, or Liberty of the Tower of *London*, or his or their Clerk or Clerks, or any Perſon for them, other than at the ſaid Publick Offices, ſhall, directly or indirectly, upon any Pretence or under any Colour whatever, take or receive any Fee, Gratuity, Reward, or Recompence, for any Act by him or them done or to be done in the Execution of his or their Office or Employ as Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, Clerk or Clerks as aforeſaid, within the Limits of the Weekly Bills of Mortality, or within the Pariſhes of *Saint Mary-le-Bone*, *Paddington*, *Saint Pancras*, *Kenſington*, and *Saint Luke* at *Chelſea*, in the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, upon Pain of forfeiting

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ing the Sum of One hundred Pounds for every such Offence, to be recovered, One Moiety thereof to the Receiver appointed in the Manner herein-after mentioned, to be applied to the Purposes of this Act, and the other Moiety thereof, with full Costs of Suit, to the Person or Persons who shall sue for the same in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Privilege, Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance shall be allowed: Provided always nevertheless, that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to any Fees taken at any General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, or at any Meeting of Justices for the Purpose of licensing Alehouses, pursuant to an Act, passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for regulating the Manner of licensing Alehouses in that Part of* Great Britain *called* England, *and for the more easy convicting Persons selling Ale and other Liquors without Licence*, or to any Fees taken at a certain Publick Office within the Liberty of *Westminster*, known by the Name of *The Publick Office in Bow Street*, or to any Fees taken by any Vestry Clerk, or his Assistant, as Clerk to any Justice or Justices of the Peace acting within the Parish in which such Justice or Justices reside, for the Purpose of enforcing the Payment of any Taxes or Assessments arising within the same Parish, or for the Purpose of hearing and determining any Offence cognizable before a Justice or Justices of the Peace by virtue of any Statute made and provided for the special Regulation or Government of such Parish.

but shall not extend to Fees for licensing Alehouses under 26 Geo. 2. c. 31. or Fees taken at the Publick Office in *Bow Street*, &c.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Justices so appointed to attend at the said Seven Publick Offices as aforesaid, and their Clerks respectively, shall, in Books to be provided for that Purpose, keep a full, true, and particular Account of all the Fees taken and received at each of the said Offices, together with all Penalties and Forfeitures which shall have been recovered, levied, or received, in pursuance of any Adjudication, Conviction, or Order, had or made at any of the said Seven Publick Offices, or any Process or Warrant issuing from the same; to which said Books and Accounts the Receiver, to be appointed in Manner hereinafter mentioned, shall at all Times have free Access; and the said Justices shall Once in every Month deliver unto such Receiver, such Account verified upon Oath by such Justice or Justices, their Clerk or Clerks, and such other Person or Persons as shall be employed in keeping such Accounts respectively, or any Part thereof, before some Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex* or County of *Surrey*, as the Case may be; which Oath such Justice is hereby authorized and required to administer; and shall pay and cause to be paid the Amount of all such Fees unto such Receiver, to be applied in Manner hereinafter mentioned, any Law, Statute, or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Accounts of Fees, &c. taken at the Seven Offices shall be delivered monthly to the Receiver, and the Amount of Fees paid to him, &c.

VI. And be it further enacted, That all such Penalties and Forfeitures, and Shares of Penalties and Forfeitures, as are or shall be limited and made payable to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, or to any Description of Persons other than the Informer or Informers, who shall sue for the same, or any Party grieved, and which shall be recoverable in a summary Way before a Justice or Justices of the Peace, and which shall be recovered or adjudged before any Justice or Justices of the Peace at either

All Penalties (except to Informers or Parties grieved) recovered at the Publick Offices shall be paid to the Receiver.

either of the ſaid Seven Publick Offices, ſhall be accounted for and paid into the Hands of the Receiver to be appointed in Manner herein-after mentioned by the Juſtice, Clerk, Conſtable, Officer, or other Perſon or Perſons, who ſhall levy or receive the ſame, to be applied by ſuch Receiver in Manner herein-after mentioned; any Law, Statute, or Cuſtom, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

If Fees, &c. are not accounted for, the Receiver may ſue for the ſame in any Court of Record at Weſtminſter, &c.

VII. And be it further enacted, That if the ſaid Juſtices appointed as aforeſaid, or any other Perſon, having received any ſuch Fees at any of the ſaid Seven Publick Offices, ſhall neglect to account for and pay the ſame in Manner aforeſaid, or if any Juſtice, Juſtice's Clerk, Conſtable, Officer, or other Perſon, who ſhall levy or receive ſuch Penalties or Forfeitures, or Shares of Penalties or Forfeitures, ſhall neglect to pay the ſame into the Hands of ſuch Receiver in Manner aforeſaid, or if any Perſon, having reſigned ſuch Office of Receiver, or having been removed from the ſame, ſhall neglect, within Twenty-one Days after Notice for that Purpoſe, to account for and pay into the Hands of the ſucceeding Receiver all ſuch Sums of Money as ſhall remain in his Hands applicable to the Purpoſes of this Act, it ſhall be lawful for ſuch Receiver for the Time being, in his own proper Name only, or by his Name and Deſcription of Office, to ſue for and recover the ſame, with Double Coſts of Suit, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter*, by Action of Debt or on the Caſe, in which Action it ſhall be ſufficient for ſuch Receiver to declare as for Money had and received to the Uſe of ſuch Receiver for the Purpoſes of this Act; and the Defendant or Defendants in ſuch Action may, at the Diſcretion of any Judge of ſuch Court, be held to Special Bail in ſuch competent Sum as ſuch Judge ſhall order and direct; and in any ſuch Action againſt any ſuch Perſon ſo liable to account as aforeſaid, the ſaid Court in which ſuch Action ſhall be brought may, if ſuch Court ſhall think proper, at the Inſtance of either of the Parties, refer the Account in Diſpute in a ſummary Manner to be audited by any Officer of the ſaid Court, or other fit Perſon at their Diſcretion, who may examine both Plaintiff and Defendant upon Oath (which Oath the ſaid Perſon ſhall have Power to adminiſter); and upon the Report of ſuch Referee, unleſs either of the Parties ſhall ſhew good Cauſe to the contrary, ſuch Court may make ſuch a Rule or Order either for the Payment of ſuch Sum as upon ſuch Report ſhall appear to be due, or for ſtaying the Proceedings in ſuch Cauſe, and upon ſuch Terms and Conditions as to the ſame Court ſhall appear reaſonable and juſt; or the ſaid Court may order Judgement to be entered up by Confeſſion for ſuch Sum as upon ſuch Report ſhall appear to be due.

Receiver may ſue for Money in the Hands of deceaſed Receivers, &c. and recover from Executors, &c.

VIII. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That in caſe of the Death of any Receiver continued or appointed by virtue of this Act, or of any Perſon having reſigned or been removed from ſuch Office, or of any of the other Perſons whom the ſaid Receiver for the Time being is authorized to ſue as aforeſaid, then and in ſuch Caſe the Receiver for the Time being may in his own proper Name only, or by his Name and Deſcription of Office, ſue for and recover ſuch Sum of Money as ſhall have been remaining in the Hands of ſuch deceaſed Receiver or other Perſon, applicable to the Purpoſes of this Act, or the Executors or Adminiſtrators of ſuch Perſon deceaſed; in which Action it ſhall be ſufficient

for the Plaintiff in Subſtance to ſtate that the Deceaſed was indebted to the Plaintiff for Money had and received for the Purpoſes of this Act, or, that the Deceaſed died poſſeſſed of Money had and received for the Purpoſes of this Act, whereby an Action accrued to the Plaintiff to demand and have the ſame of ſuch Executors or Adminiſtrators, and the like Action ſhall and may be brought againſt any Executors or Adminiſtrators of Executors or Adminiſtrators; in all which Actions the Defendant or Defendants may plead in like Manner and avail themſelves of the like Matters in their Defence, as in any Action founded upon ſimple Contracts of the original Teſtator or Inteſtate; and in all Actions to be brought by ſuch Receiver by virtue of this Act, Proof of the Plaintiff's acting in the Execution of ſuch Office, ſhall be ſufficient Evidence of his holding the ſame, unleſs the contrary can be ſhewn in Evidence by the Defendant or Defendants in ſuch Action.

His Majeſty in Council may order Salaries to the Juſtices, *etc.*

IX. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, by and with the Advice of His or their Privy Council, to direct the Salaries herein-after mentioned to be paid to the Juſtices ſo appointed to attend each of the ſaid Seven Publick Offices, for their Time and Trouble, and ſuch further Sums for the Expences of the ſaid Offices, and for the Payment of Clerks, Peace Officers, and others therein employed, in ſuch Manner as to His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, by and with the Advice of His or their Privy Council, ſhall ſeem meet: Provided always, that the yearly Salary paid to each of the Juſtices ſhall be Five hundred Pounds clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatever: Provided alſo, that the whole Charges attending the ſaid Offices (the ſaid Salaries being included), ſhall not exceed the annual Sum of Eighteen thouſand Pounds over and above the neceſſary Diſburſements for hiring and repairing the Houſes or Buildings wherein the ſaid Seven Publick Offices ſhall be held.

Receiver to be continued in Office, and in caſe of Death, *etc.* His Majeſty may appoint another.

X. And be it further enacted, That the Receiver appointed by virtue of the Act herein-before recited and repealed may be continued in his ſaid Office, it ſhall and may be lawful for His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, by and with the Advice of His or their Privy Council, upon any Vacancy in the ſaid Office of Receiver by Death or otherwiſe, to appoint any other proper Perſon, not being One of the Juſtices appointed to act at either of the Offices aforeſaid, to be the Receiver of the ſaid Seven Publick Offices; which ſaid Receiver, or the Receiver now appointed under and by virtue of the herein-before recited Act, ſhall keep an exact and particular Account of all ſuch Monies as ſhall be received by him, by virtue of any Proviſions of this Act, and ſhall apply the ſame Quarterly in Diſcharge of the Salaries, Expences, and Charges attending the ſaid Publick Offices, and the carrying this Act into Execution, and ſhall make all ſuch Contracts and Diſburſements as ſhall be neceſſary for the hiring, fitting up, and furniſhing proper and ſufficient Houſes or Buildings, wherein the ſaid Seven Publick Offices ſhall be held, in ſuch Manner as His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, by and with the Advice and Conſent of His or their Privy Council, ſhall think proper to direct and appoint; of which ſaid Premiſes ſo to be hired, and the Fixtures and Furniture thereof, and of all other Neceſſaries to be purchaſed for the Purpoſes of this Act, the Property or Intereſt ſo acquired therein ſhall be veſted in the Receiver for the Time being, who ſhall and may in like Manner

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ner ſell, aſſign, and diſpoſe of the ſame, or any Part thereof, under the like Directions and Appointment, as Occaſion ſhall require; and ſuch Receiver ſhall forthwith after his Appointment prepare proper Plans and Eſtimates of all ſuch Contracts and Diſburſements as ſhall be neceſſary for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, and ſhall deliver the ſame to His Majeſty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department; and ſuch Receiver ſhall further do and execute all ſuch other lawful Matters and Things towards the Eſtabliſhment of the ſaid Seven Publick Offices, and towards the carrying this Act into Execution, as His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, by and with the Advice of His or their Privy Council, ſhall from Time to Time think proper to direct.

Receiver to render Accounts upon Oath to the Treaſury,

XI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That ſuch Receiver ſhall, every Six Months, and oftener if required, deliver to the Lord High Treaſurer, or the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, for the Time being, a full and particular Account of all Monies by him received and paid as aforeſaid, with Vouchers for the ſame, which Account ſhall be verified upon Oath before any Juſtice or Baron of any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at *Weſtminſter*; and ſuch Receiver for his Care and Pains in the Execution of ſuch Office, ſhall and may retain to his own Uſe, out of the Monies ſo received by him as aforeſaid, ſuch Sum not exceeding Four hundred Pounds in each Year, as His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, by and with the Advice of His or their Privy Council, ſhall direct and appoint: Provided always, that if it ſhall appear that the Monies herein-before directed to be applied by the ſaid Receiver, in Diſcharge of the Salaries, Expences, and Charges attending the ſaid Seven Publick Offices, and the carrying this Act into Execution as aforeſaid, ſhall not be ſufficient to defray the ſame, the Deficiency ſhall be made up and ſupplied out of the Conſolidated Fund; and if at the End of any Year there ſhall be any Surplus in the Hands of ſuch Receiver, he ſhall pay the Amount of ſuch Surplus into the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, and the ſame ſhall be carried to and made Part of the ſaid Conſolidated Fund.

Allowance to the Receiver.

If the Monies to be applied in Diſcharge of Salaries ſhould be inſufficient, Deficiency ſhall be ſupplied out of the Conſolidated Fund.

His Majeſty in Council may alter the Situation of the Offices, *etc.*

XII. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, by and with the Advice of His or their Privy Council, to make ſuch Alterations in the Places where any of the ſaid Seven Publick Offices ſhall be ſituated, or to make ſuch Alterations in the Hours of Attendance therein, and to make all ſuch other Regulations to be obſerved in conducting the ſame, as He or they from Time to Time ſhall think proper.

Acts directed to be done by a Juſtice near the Place where an Offence is committed may be done by a Juſtice acting at the next Publick Office.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That where by any Law now in being or hereafter to be made, any Act is directed or authorized to be done by any Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace reſiding in, or near or next the Pariſh or Place where any Offence or other Matter cognizable before them ſhall be committed, or ſhall ariſe, the ſame Juriſdiction ſhall and may be exerciſed by a Juſtice or Juſtices acting in ſuch of the ſaid Seven Publick Offices as may be ſituated next or near ſuch Pariſh or Place.

Juſtices appointed by this Act incapable of being elected Members of Parliament.

XIV. Provided always, and be it enacted and declared, That no Juſtices of the Peace appointed as aforeſaid, ſhall, during the Continuance in ſuch Appointment, be capable of being elected or of ſitting as Members of the Houſe of Commons.

XV. And

XV. And be it further enacted, That no Juſtice, Receiver, or Conſtable, nominated and appointed as aforeſaid by virtue of this Act, ſhall, during the Time he or they ſhall continue in their reſpective Offices, or within Six Months after he or they ſhall have quitted the ſame, be capable of giving his Vote for the Election of a Member to ſerve in Parliament for the Counties of *Middleſex* or *Surrey*, or for the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, or the Borough of *Southwark* reſpectively, nor ſhall, by Word, Meſſage, Writing, or in any other Manner, endeavour to perſuade any Elector to give, or to diſſuade any Elector from giving his Vote for his Choice of any Perſon to be a Member to ſerve in Parliament for the ſaid Counties, or for the ſaid City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, or Borough of *Southwark*; and every ſuch Juſtice, Receiver, or Conſtable as aforeſaid, offending therein, ſhall forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds, One Moiety thereof to the Informer, the other Moiety thereof to the Uſe of the Poor of the Pariſh or Place where ſuch Offence ſhall be committed, to be recovered by any Perſon 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 no Eſſoign, Protection, Privilege, Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance ſhall be allowed; ſuch Action to be brought within the Space of One Year after ſuch Offence ſo committed: Provided nevertheleſs, that nothing in this Act ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend to ſubject any ſuch Juſtice, Receiver, or Conſtable as aforeſaid, to any Penalty or Penalties for any Act or Acts done by him or them, at or concerning any of the ſaid Elections, in the Diſcharge of his or their Duty or Duties, in their ſaid reſpective Capacities.

No Juſtice, Receiver, or Conſtable, under this Act ſhall give his Vote for the Election of a Member for *Middleſex*, *etc.* on Penalty of 100 *l.*

But not to extend to Acts done at Elections in Diſcharge of Duty.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That the Juſtices appointed as aforeſaid ſhall in their reſpective Offices retain and employ a ſufficient Number of fit and able Men, whom they are hereby authorized and empowered to ſwear in, to act as Conſtables for preſerving the Peace, and preventing Robberies and other Felonies, and apprehending Offenders againſt the Peace within the ſaid Counties of *Middleſex* and *Surrey* reſpectively, as well by Night as by Day; which ſaid Conſtables ſo appointed and ſworn as aforeſaid, ſhall have all ſuch Powers and Authorities, Privileges, and Advantages, as any Conſtable duly appointed now has or hereafter may have, by virtue of any Law or Statute now made or hereafter to be made, and ſhall obey all ſuch lawful Commands as they ſhall from Time to Time receive from the ſaid Juſtices for the apprehending Offenders, or otherwiſe conducting themſelves in the Execution of their ſaid Office or Employment; and ſuch Juſtices, or any Two of them, ſhall and may at any Time diſmiſs from his ſaid Employment every ſuch Conſtable belonging to their reſpective Offices whom they ſhall think remiſs or negligent in the Execution of his Duty or otherwiſe unfit for the ſame, and appoint ſuch others in their Stead as to them ſhall ſeem meet: Provided always, that no greater Number than Eight ſhall at One and the ſame Time be ſo retained as aforeſaid at any One of the ſaid Publick Offices: Provided alſo, that if any Perſon ſo appointed a Conſtable as aforeſaid ſhall be diſmiſſed from his ſaid Employment as aforeſaid, all Powers and Authorities veſted in him as a Conſtable under and by virtue of this Act ſhall immediately ceaſe and determine, to all Intents and Purpoſes whatever.

Juſtices may employ a ſufficient Number of Conſtables at their reſpective Offices, *etc.*;

but not to exceed Eight at each.

Power of Conſtable to ceaſe on Diſmiſſion.

Receiver shall pay the Constables not exceeding 16*s. per* Week, and any extraordinary Expence incurred.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Receiver, out of the Monies herein-before directed to be applied in Discharge of the Salaries, Expences, and Charges attending the said Publick Offices, shall and may pay to the Constables so appointed as aforesaid, for their Trouble and Attendance as aforesaid, any Sum not exceeding Sixteen Shillings *per* Week, and any extraordinary Expences they shall appear to have been necessarily put to in apprehending Offenders and executing the Orders of the Justices acting under and by virtue of this Act; such extraordinary Expences being first examined and approved of by the Justices attending the Office in which such Constables shall have been respectively appointed.

Constables, *etc.* may apprehend any suspicious Person, and convey him before a Justice, and if it shall appear upon Oath that he is a reputed Thief, *etc.* he shall be deemed a Rogue, within 17 Geo. 3. c. 5.

XVIII. And whereas divers ill-disposed and suspected Persons and reputed Thieves, frequent the Avenues to Places of publick Resort, and the Streets and Highways, with Intent to commit Felony on the Persons and Property of His Majesty's Subjects there being; and although their evil Purposes are sufficiently manifest, the Power of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace to demand of them Sureties for their good Behaviour, hath not been of sufficient Effect to prevent them from carrying their evil Purposes into Execution; be it enacted, That, from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for any Constable, Headborough, Patrole, or Watchman, to apprehend every such Person, and convey him or them before any Justice of the Peace; and if it shall appear before the said Justice, upon the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, that such Person or Persons is or are a Person or Persons of evil Fame and a reputed Thief or Thieves, and such Person or Persons shall not be able to give a satisfactory Account of himself or themselves, and of his or their Way of Living, and it shall also appear to the Satisfaction of the said Justice, that there is just Ground to believe that such Person or Persons was or were in such Avenue, Street, or Highway as aforesaid, with such Intent as aforesaid, every such Person shall be deemed a Rogue and Vagabond within the Intent and Meaning of the Statute made in the Seventeenth Year of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, *An Act to amend and make more effectual the Laws relating to Rogues, Vagabonds, and other idle and disorderly Persons, and to Houses of Correction.*

XIX. And be it further enacted, That every such Conviction shall be in the following Form of Words, as the Case may happen, or in any other Form of Words to the like Effect.

Form of Conviction.

'BE it remembered, That on the Day of in the Year *A. B.* was brought before me '[as a Person of evil Fame, *or* reputed Thief, *as the Case may be*], and 'was not able to give a satisfactory Account of himself or of his Way of 'living; and I do, in pursuance of an Act passed in the Forty-second 'Year of His present Majesty, [*here insert the Title of this Act*], adjudge him to be [Rogue and Vagabond]. Given under my Hand and 'Seal this Day of

And that such Conviction shall be good and effectual in Law to all Intents and Purposes, and shall not be quashed or set aside, or adjudged void or insufficient for Want of any Form of Words whatever, nor shall the same be removed by *Certiorari* into His Majesty's Court of King's Bench.

XX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Perſon ſhall think himſelf aggrieved by the Judgement of ſuch Juſtice as aforeſaid, ſuch Perſon may appeal to the Juſtices of the Peace at the next General or Quarter Seſſions of the Peace to be held for the County or Place wherein the Cauſe of Complaint ſhall have ariſen, ſuch Perſon at the Time of his Conviction, entering into a Recognizance with Two ſufficient Sureties, conditioned perſonally to appear at the ſaid Seſſions to try ſuch Appeal, and to abide the further Judgement of the Juſtices at ſuch Seſſions aſſembled; and in caſe ſuch Conviction ſhall be affirmed at ſuch Seſſions, the ſaid Juſtices may adjudge ſuch Perſon to be a Rogue and Vagabond, and proceed againſt ſuch Perſon in the ſame Manner as they might have done if ſuch Rogue and Vagabond had been committed to the Houſe of Correction until ſuch General or Quarter Seſſions: Provided always, that no Perſon convicted under this Act ſhall thereby become liable to any other Puniſhment than Impriſonment to hard Labour for a Term not exceeding Six Months, taking into the Computation any actual Impriſonment ſuch Perſon ſhall have ſuffered by his Commitment until ſuch Seſſion.

Perſons thinking themſelves aggrieved may appeal to the Quarter Seſſions.

If Conviction be affirmed, the Juſtices may proceed as might have been done if the Party had been committed.

Puniſhments not to exceed Impriſonment to hard Labour for Six Months.

XXI. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained ſhall extend, or be conſtrued to extend, to deprive the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of *London*, of any Rights, Privileges, or Juriſdictions, which they have heretofore lawfully claimed, exerciſed, or enjoyed, within the Town and Borough of *Southwark* and the Liberties thereof; or to prevent the Mayor of the City of *London* for the Time being, and ſuch of the Aldermen of the ſaid City who have borne the Office of Mayoralty, and the Recorder of the ſaid City for the Time being, from acting as Juſtices of the Peace within the ſaid Town and Borough of *Southwark* and the Liberties thereof, in ſuch and the like Manner as they could or might have done in caſe this Act had not been made.

Act not to deprive the Mayor, &c. of *London* of Juriſdiction in *Southwark*.

XXII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend to deprive the Dean of the Collegiate Church of *Saint Peter, Weſtminſter*, for the Time being, or the High Steward of the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter* for the Time being, or his lawful Deputy, of any Rights, Privileges, or Juriſdictions, which they have heretofore lawfully claimed, exerciſed, or enjoyed within the ſaid City and Liberty, in ſuch and the like Manner as they could or might have done in caſe this Act had not been made.

Nor the Dean or the High Steward of *Weſtminſter* of their Privileges.

XXIII. And whereas by an Act, paſſed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of His Majeſty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for the more effectual Prevention of Depredations on the River* Thames, *and in its Vicinity, and to amend an Act, made in the Second Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, to prevent the committing of Thefts and Frauds by Perſons navigating Bum Boats and other Boats on the River* Thames; it is, amongſt other Things, provided, that the yearly Salary to be paid to each of the Juſtices who ſhall be appointed to attend the Publick Office eſtabliſhed by that Act, ſhall be Four hundred Pounds, clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatſoever; be it further enacted, That the yearly Salary to be paid to each of the ſaid laſt mentioned Juſtices ſhall, from and after the paſſing of this Act, be Five hundred Pounds clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatſoever:

39 & 40 Geo. 3. c. 87.

Inſtead of 400*l.* to each of the *Thames* Police Juſtices, 500*l.* ſhall be paid.

Expence of the *Thames* Police Office not to exceed 8,300*l.*

ſoever: Provided alſo, that the whole Expences attending the ſaid laſt mentioned Publick Office, the laſt mentioned Salaries being included, ſhall not exceed the annual Sum of Eight thouſand and three hundred Pounds; any Thing in the above recited Act of the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of His Majeſty's Reign to the contrary in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

Continuance of Act.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall continue in force until the Firſt Day of *June* One thouſand eight hundred and ſeven, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament, and no longer.

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