

ANNO QUADRAGESIMO QUINTO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

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every Marine Officer, Non-commiſſioned Officer, and Private Man on Shore, who ſhall mutiny or defert, *etc.*

or ſhall be liſted or in Pay as a Non-commiſſioned Officer or Private Man, in any Company of Royal Marines in His Majeſty's Service, and on the Twenty-fifty Day of *March* One thouſand eight hundred and five, ſhall remain in ſuch Service, or, during the Continuance of this Act, ſhall be voluntarily entered and in Pay, as a Marine Officer or Private Man in His Majeſty's Service; and being ordered or employed in ſuch Service, at any Time during the Continuance of this Act, on Shore, in any Place within the ſaid Kingdom, or in any other of His Majeſty's Dominions, ſhall begin, excite, cauſe, or join in any Mutiny or Sedition in the Company to which he doth or ſhall belong, or in any other Company, Troop, or Regiment, either of Marine or Land Forces, in His Majeſty's Service; or ſhall not uſe his utmoſt Endeavours to ſuppreſs the ſame, or coming to the Knowledge of any ſuch Mutiny, or intended Mutiny, ſhall not, without Delay, give Information thereof to his Commanding Officer; or ſhall deſert His Majeſty's Service, or being actually entered as a Marine in any Company, ſhall liſt himſelf in any other Company, Troop, or Regiment in His Majeſty's Service, without firſt having a Diſcharge in Writing from the Officer commanding in Chief the Company in which he laſt ſerved as a Marine; or ſhall be found ſleeping upon his Poſt; or ſhall leave it before relieved; or ſhall hold Correſpondence with any Rebel or Enemy of His Majeſty, or give them Advice or Intelligence of any Kind, by any Ways or Means, or in any Manner whatſoever; or ſhall treat with ſuch Rebels or Enemies, or enter into any Condition with them, without His Majeſty's Licence, or Licence of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or Three or more of the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the Time being; or ſhall ſtrike or uſe any Violence againſt his ſuperior Officer, being in the Execution of his Office; or ſhall diſobey any lawful Command of his ſuperior Officer; all and every Perſon and Perſons ſo offending in any or either of the Matters before mentioned, on Shore, in any Part of this Kingdom, or in any other of His Majeſty's Dominions, ſhall ſuffer Death, or ſuch other Puniſhment as by a Court-martial ſhall be inflicted.

or liſt in any other Regiment, *&c.*

or ſhall be found ſleeping on, or ſhall deſert his Poſt, or hold Correſpondence with the Enemies of His Majeſty;

or ſhall ſtrike or diſobey his ſuperior Officer; ſhall ſuffer Death, or ſuch Puniſhment as a Court-martial ſhall inflict.

The Lord High Admiral, or Commiſſioners for executing that Office, may grant a Commiſſion for holding a General Court-martial, *&c.*

II. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may, from Time to Time, during the Continuance of this Act, be lawful to and for the ſaid Lord High Admiral, or Three or more of the ſaid Commiſſioners for executing the ſaid Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, to grant a Commiſſion, under his or their reſpective Hand or Hands, to any Officer of Royal Marines in His Majeſty's Service, not under the Degree of a Field Officer, for the holding a General Court-martial at any Place or Places on Shore, in this Kingdom, or in any other of His Majeſty's Dominions; in every of which Courts-martial all or any of the Offences aforeſaid, and all or any other of the Offences herein-after ſpecified, ſhall be tried and proceeded againſt in ſuch Manner as by this Act is directed.

Courts martial may inflict corporal Puniſhment for Immoralities, *etc.*

III. And be it alſo enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for ſuch Courts-martial reſpectively, by their Sentence or Judgement, to inflict corporal Puniſhment, not extending to Life or Limb, on any

Marine, for Immorality, Misbehaviour, or Neglect of Duty, on Shore, in any Place or Places within this Kingdom, or in any other of His Majesty's Dominions during the Continuance of this Act.

Lords of the Admiralty empowered to make Articles for Punishment of Mutiny and Desertion, &c.

IV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Lord High Admiral, or Three or more of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, at any Time during the Continuance of this Act, to make and establish Rules and Articles in Writing, under his or their respective Hand or Hands, for the Punishment of Mutiny and Desertion, Immorality, Misbehaviour, and Neglect of Duty, in any of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore, in any Part of this Kingdom, or in any other of His Majesty's Dominions, and for bringing Offenders against the same to Justice; and to erect and constitute Courts-martial, with Power to try, hear, and determine any Crimes or Offences specified in such Rules and Articles, and inflict Punishments, by Sentence or Judgement for the same according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act.

and to constitute Courts-martial.

None to be adjudged of Life or Limb, but for Crimes expressed to be so punishable by this Act.

V. Provided always, That no Person or Persons shall be adjudged to suffer any Punishment extending to Life or Limb by the said Rules or Articles, within this Kingdom, except for such Crime or Crimes as is or are expressed to be so punishable by this Act.

Oaths to be taken by Members of Divisional Courts-martial, &c.

VI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That in all Trials by any divisional Courts-martial which shall be held by virtue of this Act, or of any Articles of War established in pursuance thereof, every Member assisting at such Trial, before any Proceedings be had thereupon, shall take the Oaths herein-after mentioned upon the Holy Evangelists, (which Oaths shall and may be administered by the President of the Court to the other Members thereof, and to the President by any Member having first taken the said Oaths), and the President of every such Court-martial (not being under the Rank of a Captain), shall be appointed by the Commanding Officer of the Division directing such Court-martial; and every such divisional Court-martial is hereby authorised and directed to administer an Oath to every Witness that shall appear before them.

Deserter may be adjudged to be transported as a Felon;

and returning without Leave before Expiration of the Term limited, he shall suffer Death.

VII. And be it further enacted and declared, That in the Case of any Non-commissioned Officer or Marine tried and convicted of Desertion, whensoever the Court-martial, which shall pass Sentence upon such Trial, shall not think the Offence deserving of capital Punishment, such Court-martial may, instead of awarding a corporal Punishment, adjudge the Offender, if they shall think fit, to be transported as a Felon for Life, or for a certain Term of Years, according to the Degree of the Offence: And if such Non-commissioned Officer or Marine, having been adjudged to be transported as a Felon, shall afterwards (without Leave from His Majesty, or from the Governor or Commanding Officer of the Place to which he shall have been transported) return into any Part of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, before the Expiration of the Term limited by such Sentence, and shall be convicted thereof in the ordinary Course of Law, he shall suffer Death.

VIII. Provided

His Majesty, where Courts-martial award a capital Punishment, may order Offenders to be transported as Felons, *etc.*

VIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That in all Cases wherein a capital Punishment shall have been awarded by a Court-martial, it shall be lawful for His Majesty, instead of causing such Sentence to be carried into Execution, to order the Offender to be transported as a Felon for Life, or for a certain Term of Years, as to His Majesty shall seem meet; and if the Person so transported in pursuance of such Order from His Majesty, shall afterwards (without Leave from His Majesty, or from the Governor or Commanding Officer of the Place to which he shall have been transported) return into any Part of *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, before the Expiration of the Term limited by such Order, and shall be duly convicted thereof, he shall suffer Death.

When His Majesty shall intend such Sentence to be carried into Execution, or extend His Mercy to Offenders sentenced to be punished with Death, on Condition of Transportation, such Sentence, with His Majesty's Pleasure thereon, shall be notified by the Admiralty to any Justice of the King's Bench, *etc.* who shall make an Order for the Transportation of such Offenders, in Manner directed by 42 G. 3. c. 56.

IX. And be it further enacted, That whenever His Majesty shall intend any such Sentence of a Court-martial to be carried into Execution, or shall be graciously pleased to extend his Mercy, upon Condition of Transportation, to any Offender liable to the Punishment of Death by the Sentence of a Court-martial, such Sentence, together with His Majesty's Pleasure upon the same, shall be notified in Writing by the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, to any Justice of the King's Bench, Common Pleas, or Baron of the Exchequer of the Degree of the Coif, and thereupon such Justice or Baron shall make an Order for the Transportation of such Offender, upon the Terms and for the Time which shall be specified in such Notification, and shall also make such other Order or Orders, and do all such other Acts consequent upon the same, as any such Justice or Baron is authorized to make or do by an Act passed in the Twenty-fourth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for the effectual Transportation of Felons and other Offenders, and to authorize the Removal of Prisoners in certain Cases, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, with respect to Offenders in such Act mentioned, tried at any Court of Oyer and Terminer or Gaol Delivery in *England*, as in the said Act mentioned; and such Order and Orders so to be made as aforesaid, and all such Acts as shall so be done as aforesaid, shall be obeyed and done by such Person in whose Custody such Offender shall at that Time be, and all other Persons whom it may concern, and shall be as effectual and have all the same Consequences as any Order made under the Authority of the said Act with respect to any Offender in the said Act mentioned, and every Sheriff, Gaoler, Keeper, Governor, or Superintendant whom it may concern, and all Constables and other Persons, shall be bound to obey the aforesaid Order and Orders, be assistant in the Execution thereof, and be liable to the same Punishment for Disobedience, or interrupting the Execution of the same, as they would be if the same had been made under the Authority of the aforesaid Act; and every Person so ordered to be transported as aforesaid shall be subject respectively to all and every the Provision and Provisions made by Law, and now in force concerning Persons convicted of any Crime and sentenced to be transported, or receiving His Majesty's Pardon on Condition of Transportation.

Such Notification of His Majesty's

X. And be it further enacted, That the Justice or Baron who shall make any such Order as aforesaid, under any such Notification of His

Majeſty's Pleaſure as aforeſaid, ſhall direct the ſaid Notification, and his own Order made thereupon, to be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Crown of His Majeſty's Court of King's Bench, and to be there kept of Record; and the ſaid Clerk of the Crown ſhall receive a Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence, and no more, for filing the ſame.

Pleaſure, and Order of the Juſtices, &c. ſhall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Crown of the Court of King's Bench, who ſhall receive a Fee of 2 s. 6 d.

XI. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Clerk of the Crown of His Majeſty's Court of King's Bench ſhall, upon the Application of any ſuch Offender who ſhall be ordered by His Majeſty to be tranſported as aforeſaid, or of any other Perſon applying on his Behalf, or on the Application of any Perſon on Behalf of His Majeſty, deliver a Certificate in Writing under his Hand, (not taking for the ſame more than Two Shillings and Sixpence), containing an Account of the Chriſtian Name and Surname of ſuch Offender, of his Offence, of the Place where the Court was held, before whom he was convicted, and of the Terms and Conditions on which His Majeſty's Order for ſuch Offender's Tranſportation was given; which Certificate ſhall be ſufficient Proof of the Conviction and Sentence of ſuch Offender, and alſo of the Terms on which ſuch Order for his Tranſportation was given, in any Court, and in any Proceeding wherein it may be neceſſary to enquire into the ſame.

Such Clerk of the Crown ſhall, on Application, deliver a Certificate of the Conviction of any ſuch Offender, and alſo of the Order of Tranſportation.

XII. And be it further enacted, That if any Offender, under Sentence of Death by a Court-martial as aforeſaid, ſhall obtain His Majeſty's conditional Pardon as aforeſaid, all and every the Laws now in force, touching the Eſcape of Felons under Sentence of Death, ſhall apply to ſuch Offender, and to all Perſons aiding, abetting, or aſſiſting in any Eſcape, or intended Eſcape of any ſuch Offender, or contriving any ſuch Eſcape, from the Time when ſuch Order ſhall be made by ſuch Juſtice or Baron as aforeſaid, and during all the ſeveral Proceedings which ſhall be had for the Purpoſes aforeſaid.

Offenders under Sentence of Death, obtaining His Majeſty's conditional Pardon, ſhall be ſubject to the Laws touching the Eſcape of Felons.

XIII. And it is hereby further enacted and declared, That no General Court-martial, which ſhall have Power to ſit by virtue of this Act, ſhall conſiſt of a leſs Number than Thirteen, whereof none to be under the Degree of a Commiſſion Officer; and the Preſident of ſuch Court-martial ſhall not be under the Degree of a Field Officer of Royal Marines, unleſs where ſuch Field Officer cannot be had; in which Caſe the Marine Officer next in Seniority to ſuch Field Officer, not being under the Degree of a Captain, ſhall preſide at ſuch Court-martial; and that ſuch Court-martial ſhall have Power and Authority and are hereby required to adminiſter an Oath to every Witneſs, in order to the Examination or Trial of any of the Offences that ſhall come before them.

General Court-martial not to conſiſt of leſs than 13; and the Preſident to be a Field Officer, or Officer next in Seniority, not under the Degree of a Captain.

Courts-martial may adminiſter Oaths to Witneſſes.

XIV. Provided always, That in all Trials of Offenders by General Courts-martial, to be held by virtue of this Act, every Officer preſent at ſuch Trial, before any Proceedings be had thereupon, ſhall take the following Oaths upon the Holy Evangeliſts, before the Court, and Judge-advocate or his Deputy, (who are hereby authorized to adminiſter the ſame), in theſe words; that is to ſay,

Oaths to be taken by all Members of a General Court-martial.

'YOU ſhall well and truly try and determine according to the Evidence which ſhall be given in the Matter now before you, between our Sovereign Lord the King's Majeſty and the Priſoner to be tried;

'So help you GOD.'

'I *A. B.*

Oaths.

'I *A. B.* do ſwear, That I will duly adminiſter Juſtice, according to an Act of Parliament now in force, *for the Regulation of His Majeſty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore*, and according to the Rules and Articles made in purſuance of the ſaid Act of Parliament for the Puniſhment of Mutiny and Deſertion, and other Crimes therein reſpectively mentioned, without Partiality, Favour, or Affection; and if any Doubt ſhall ariſe (which is not explained by the ſaid Act of Parliament, or the ſaid Rules and Articles), according to my Conſcience, the beſt of my Underſtanding, and the Cuſtom of War in like Caſes: And I further ſwear, That I will not divulge the Sentence of the Court until it ſhall be approved by the Lord High Admiral, or Three or more of the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*; neither will I, upon any Account, at any Time whatſoever, diſcloſe or diſcover the Vote or Opinion of any particular Member of the Court-martial, unleſs required to give Evidence thereof as a Witneſs, by a Court of Juſtice, in a due Courſe of Law.

'So help me GOD.'

The Judge Advocate to be ſworn.

And ſo ſoon as the ſaid Oaths ſhall have been adminiſtered to the reſpective Members, the Preſident of the Court is hereby authorized and required to adminiſter to the Judge-advocate, or the Perſon officiating as ſuch, an Oath in the following Words;

The Oath.

'I *A. B.* do ſwear, That I will not upon any Account, at any Time whatſoever, diſcloſe or diſcover the Vote or Opinion of any particular Member of the Court-martial, unleſs required to give Evidence thereof, as a Witneſs, by a Court of Juſtice, in a due Courſe of Law.

'So help me GOD.'

In Sentences of Death what Number of Officers ſhall concur, *etc.*

Hours of Trial.

And no Sentence of Death ſhall be given againſt any Offender by any ſuch General Court-martial, as aforeſaid, unleſs Nine Officers preſent ſhall concur therein; and if there be more Officers preſent than Thirteen, then the Judgement ſhall paſs by the Concurrence of Two Thirds of the Officers preſent; and no Proceeding or Trial ſhall be had upon any Offence, but between the Hours of Eight of the Clock in the Morning and Three in the Afternoon, except in Caſes which require an immediate Example.

The Party tried entitled to a Copy of the Sentence and Proceedings of the Court-martial.

XV. Provided always, That the Party tried by any General Court-martial, to be held as aforeſaid, ſhall be entitled to a Copy of the Sentence and Proceedings of ſuch Court-martial, upon Demand thereof made by himſelf, or by any other Perſon or Perſons on his Behalf, (he or they paying reaſonably for the ſame), at any Time not ſooner than Three Months after ſuch Sentence, whether ſuch Sentence be approved or not; any Thing in this Act to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Original Proceedings, &c. of Court-martial to be tranſmitted to the Secretary of the Admiralty, *etc.*

XVI. And be it enacted, That every Judge-advocate, or Perſon officiating as ſuch at any General Court-martial, to be held as aforeſaid, do and he is hereby required to tranſmit, with as much Expedition as the Opportunity of Time and Diſtance of Place can admit, the original Proceedings and Sentence of ſuch Court-martial to the Secretary of the

Admiralty

Admiralty for the Time being; which original Proceedings and Sentence shall be by him carefully kept and preserved in the Office of the Admiralty of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to the End that the Persons entitled thereto may be enabled, upon Application to the said Office, to obtain Copies thereof, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act.

None to be Tried a second Time for the same Offence.

XVII. Provided always, and be it hereby declared and enacted, That no Marine, either Officer or Private Man, being acquitted or convicted of any Offence at any such Court-martial as aforesaid, shall be liable to be tried a Second Time by the same or any other Court-martial, for the same Offence; and that no Sentence given by any Court-martial, and signed by the President thereof, be liable to be revised more than Once.

Sentence not to be revised more than Once.

Deserters beyond Sea, *etc.* may be tried here.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Officer or Private Man shall desert His Majesty's Service in any of His Dominions beyond the Seas, or elsewhere beyond the Seas, and shall escape and come or be brought into this Realm, before he be tried by a Court-martial for such Offence, and shall be apprehended for the same; such Officer or Private Man shall be tried for the same, as if the same Offence had been committed within this Realm.

This Act not to exempt any on Shore from ordinary Process.

XIX. Provided always, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to exempt any Royal Marine, either Officer or Private Man, whatsoever, while on Shore, from being proceeded against by the ordinary Course of Law.

Persons acquitted, *etc.* by the Civil Magistrate, may only be cashiered by a Court martial.

XX. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That no Person or Persons, being acquitted or convicted of any capital Crimes, Violences, or Offences by the Civil Magistrate, shall be liable to be punished by a Court-martial for the same, otherwise than by cashiering.

Persons convicted of criminal Offences not entitled to Pay.

XXI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That no Officer or Marine having been convicted in the ordinary Course of Law of any criminal Offence, shall, while under Confinement in consequence thereof, be entitled to any Part of his Pay from the Day on which such Conviction shall have taken place, nor until the Day of his Return to the Company to which he shall belong.

Persons accused of capital Crimes, *etc.* to be delivered over to the Civil Magistrate, *etc.*

XXII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That if any Marine Officer, Non-commission Officer, or Private Man, shall be accused of any Capital Crime, or of any Violence or Offence against the Person, Estate, or Property of any of His Majesty's Subjects, which is punishable by the known Laws of the Land; the Commanding Officer or Officers of every Company, or Party, is and are hereby required to use his and their utmost Endeavours to deliver over such accused Person to the Civil Magistrate; and shall also be aiding and assisting to the Officers of Justice in the seizing and apprehending such Offender, in order to bring him to Trial: And if any such Commanding Officer shall wilfully neglect or refuse, upon Application made to him for that Purpose, to deliver over any such

Penalty on Officers refusing to deliver over Offenders.

such accused Person to the Civil Magistrate, or to be aiding and assisting to the Officers of Justice in the apprehending such Offender; every such Officer so offending, and being thereof convicted, before any Two or more Justices of the Peace for the County where the Fact is committed, by the Oath of Two credible Witnesses, shall be deemed and taken to be *ipso facto* cashiered, and shall be utterly disabled to have or hold any Civil or Military Office or Employment within this Kingdom, or in His Majesty's Service; provided the said Conviction be affirmed at the next Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the said County, and a Certificate thereof be transmitted to the Judge Advocate, who is hereby obliged to certify the same to the next Court-martial.

Fictitious Names allowed by His Majesty's Order upon the Muster-rolls for the Maintenance of Officers Widows, not to be construed a false Muster.

XXIII. And whereas His Majesty has been graciously pleased in Compassion to the distressed Condition of several Widows of Officers of the Army, who have lost their Lives in the Service of the late War, or during the late Rebellion, by Orders made under His Royal Sign Manual, to direct his Commissary-general of the Musters to allow, upon the Muster-rolls of all the Regiments, Troops, and Companies, a Number of fictitious Names therein mentioned, instead of Private Men, in order to raise and settle a Fund for the Maintenance of such Widows of Officers as are or shall be entitled to his Royal Bounty: Therefore, for the more effectually fulfilling His Majesty's said gracious Intentions with respect to the allowing of fictitious Names upon the Muster-rolls of the said Royal Marine Forces while on Shore, for the Purposes aforesaid; be it further enacted and declared, That it shall and may be lawful, during the Continuance of this Act, to and for the said Lord High Admiral, or Three or more of the said Commissioners for executing the said Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, by Orders in Writing under his or their respective Hand or Hands, to direct the Person for the Time being authorized to pay the said Royal Marine Forces, to pay over the full Pay of such fictitious Private Men as shall be allowed on the Muster-rolls of the said Marine Forces while on Shore, as aforesaid, to the proper Receiver appointed by His Majesty, according to such Orders and Instructions as His Majesty shall be pleased to make under His Sign Manual, for the Purpose aforesaid; and that no Allowance of any such fictitious Name upon any Muster-roll of the said Royal Marine Forces while on Shore, as aforesaid, shall be construed to be a false Muster; any Thing in this Act, or any former Act, contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Paymaster to pay the full Pay of such Men to the Receiver.

Constables, *etc.* to quarter Officers and Men in Inns, Alehouses, *etc.*;

XXIV. And whereas there is and may be Occasion for the marching and quartering of the said Royal Marine Forces in several Parts of this Kingdom; be it further enacted, That, for and during the Continuance of this Act, and no longer, (in pursuance of an Order or Orders in Writing in that Behalf, under the Hand of the said Lord High Admiral, or under the Hands of Three or more of the Commissioners for executing the said Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being), it shall and may be lawful to and for the Constables, Tythingmen, Headboroughs, and other Chief Officers and Magistrates of Cities, Towns, and Villages, and other Places within *England*, *Wales*, and the Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, and in their Default or Absence for any

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One Justice of the Peace inhabiting in or near any such City, Town, Village, or Place, and for no others; and such Constables and other Chief Magistrates, as aforesaid, are hereby required to quarter and billet the Marines, both Officers and Private Men, in His Majesty's Service, in Inns, Livery Stables, Alehouses, Victualling-houses, and the Houses of Sellers of Wine, by Retail, to be drank in their own Houses or Places thereunto belonging, and all Houses of Persons selling Brandy, Strong Waters, Cyder or Metheglin, by Retail, to be drank in Houses, other than and except the Houses of any Distillers, who keep Houses or Places for distilling Brandy and Strong Waters, and the House of any Shopkeeper, whose principal Dealings shall be more in other Goods and Merchandize than in Brandy and Strong Waters, (so as such Distillers and Shopkeepers do not permit or suffer Tippling in his or their Houses;) and in no other, and in no private Houses whatsoever, without the Consent of the Occupier; nor shall any more Billets at any Time be ordered than there are effective Royal Marines present to be quartered: And if any Constable, Tythingman, or such like Officer or Magistrate, as aforesaid, shall presume to quarter or billet any such Officer or Private Man in any such private House, without the Consent of the Occupier; in such Case, such Occupier shall have his or their Remedy at Law against such Magistrate or Officer, for the Damage that such Occupier shall sustain thereby: And if any Marine Officer shall take upon him to quarter Private Men otherwise than is limited and allowed by this Act, or shall use or offer any Menace or Compulsion to any Mayors, Constables, or other Civil Officers before mentioned, tending to deter and discourage any of them from performing any Part of their Duty hereby required or appointed; such Marine Officer shall for every such Offence, (being thereof convicted before any Two or more of the next Justices of the Peace of the County, by the Oath of Two credible Witnesses), be deemed and taken to be *ipso facto* cashiered, and shall be utterly disabled to have or hold any Military Employment within this Kingdom, or in His Majesty's Service; provided the said Conviction be affirmed at the next Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the said County, and a Certificate thereof be transmitted to the Judge-advocate, who is hereby obliged to certify the same to the next Court-martial: And in case any Person shall find himself aggrieved, in that such Constable, Tythingman, or Headborough, Chief Officer or Magistrate, (such Chief Officer or Magistrate not being a Justice of the Peace), has quartered or billetted in his House a greater Number of Royal Marines than he ought to bear in Proportion to his Neighbours, and shall complain thereof to One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace of the Division, City, or Liberty, where such Royal Marines are quartered; or in case such Chief Officer or Magistrate shall be a Justice of the Peace, then on Complaint made to Two or more Justices of the Peace of such Division, City, or Liberty, such Justice or Justices respectively shall have, and is or are hereby declared to have, Power to relieve such Person, by ordering such and so many of the said Royal Marines to be removed and quartered upon such other Person or Persons as they shall see Cause; and such other Person or Persons shall be obliged to receive such Royal Marines accordingly.

but in no Distillers or Shopkeepers Houses, or in any private Houses.

Penalty on Officer quartering Men contrary to this Act, &c.

Persons aggrieved by being quartered on, may complain to any Justice and be relieved.

XXV. Provided nevertheless, and it is hereby enacted, That the Marine Officers and Private Men, so quartered and billetted as aforesaid, shall

Officers and Marines to pay Rates for their Provisions.

shall be received and furnished with Diet and Small Beer by the Owners of the Inns, Livery Stables, Alehouses, Victualling-houses, and the Houses of Sellers of Wine, by Retail, to be drank in their own Houses, or Places thereunto belonging, and other Houses in which they are allowed to be quartered and billetted by this Act; paying and allowing for the same the several Rates herein-after mentioned to be payable out of the Subsistence Money for Diet and Small Beer.

If Innholders refuse to furnish the Men quartered on them with Meat, they shall allow them Candles, Small Beer, &c. gratis,

XXVI. Provided always, That in case any Innholder, or other Person on whom any Non-commission Officers or Private Men shall be quartered by virtue of this Act, (except on a March or employed in recruiting, and likewise except the Recruits by them raised, for the Space of Seven Days at most, for such Non-commission Officers and Private Men who are recruiting, and Recruits by them raised), shall be desirous to furnish such Non-commission Officers and Private Men with Candles, Vinegar, and Salt, and with either Small Beer or Cyder, not exceeding Five Pints for each Man, *per Diem*, *gratis*, and allow to such Non-commission Officers or Private Men the Use of Fire, and the necessary Utensils for dressing and eating their Meat, and shall give Notice of such his Desire to the Commanding Officer, and shall furnish and allow the same accordingly, then and in such Case, the Non-commission Officers and Private Men so quartered shall provide their own Victuals; and the Officer to whom it belongs to receive, or who shall actually receive, the Pay and Subsistence of such Non-commission Officers and Private Men, shall pay the several Sums herein-after mentioned to be payable out of the Subsistence-money for Diet and Small Beer, to the Non-commission Officers and Private Men aforesaid, and not to the Innholder or other Person, on whom such Non-commission Officers and Private Men are quartered; any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Penalty on taking Money to excuse any Person from quartering.

XXVII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if any Marine Officer shall take, or cause to be taken, or knowingly suffer to be taken any Money of any Person for excusing the quartering of Officers or Private Men, or any of them, in any House allowed by this Act, every such Officer shall be cashiered, and be incapable of serving in any Military Employment whatsoever.

Commanding Officer may exchange Marines in their Quarters,

XXVIII. And whereas it may be for the Benefit of the Service for the Commanding Officer to have a Power to exchange the Billets or Quarters of Marines quartered in the same Town or Place; be it therefore enacted, That the Commanding Officer of Royal Marines, in any Town or Place where such Marine Forces are quartered, shall and he is hereby declared to have Power from Time to Time, to exchange any Marine or Marines quartered in such Town or Place for any other Marine or Marines quartered in the same Town or Place, provided the Number of Men do not exceed the Number at that Time billetted on such Houses respectively, where such Men shall be exchanged; and the Constables, Tythingmen, Headboroughs, and other Chief Officers and Magistrates of the Cities, Towns, and Villages, or other Places, where any of the said Royal Marine Forces shall be quartered, are hereby required to billet such Men so exchanged accordingly.

and the Constables to billet the same accordingly.

XXIX. And

No Paymaster, *etc.* to make Deductions out of Officers or Private Men's Pay.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and five, no Paymaster or other Officer or Person whatsoever, shall receive any Fees, or make any Deductions whatsoever, out of the Pay of any Marine, either Officer or Private Man, in His Majesty's Service; or from their Agents, which shall grow due from and after the said Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and five, other than the usual Deductions for Clothing, and Twelve-pence in the Pound to be disposed of as His Majesty shall think fit; and the One Day's Pay in the Year for the Use of the Royal Hospital at *Chelsea*; and such other necessary Deductions as shall, from Time to Time, be directed by the said Lord High Admiral, or Three or more of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, by Order in Writing under his or their respective Hand or Hands.

Exceptions.

Officers to give Notice to Innkeepers of Subsistence-money in their Hands.

XXX. And that the Quarters both of the said Marine Officers and Private Men, while on Shore as aforesaid, may, during the Continuance of this Act, be duly paid and satisfied, and His Majesty's Duties of Excise better answered, be it enacted, That, from and after the said Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and five, every Officer or other Person to whom it belongs to receive, or that shall actually receive, the Pay or Subsistence-money, for One or more particular Company or Companies of the said Royal Marine Forces, or otherwise, shall, immediately upon each Receipt of every particular Sum which shall, from Time to Time, be paid, returned, or come to his or their Hands, on Account of Pay or Subsistence, give publick Notice thereof to all Persons keeping Inns, or other Places where Officers or Private Men are quartered by virtue of this Act; and shall also appoint the said Innkeepers, and others, to repair to their Quarters, at such Times as they shall appoint for the Distribution and Payment of the said Pay or Subsistence-money to such Officers or Private Men, which shall be within Four Days at the farthest after the Receipt of the same, as aforesaid; and the said Innkeepers, and others, shall then and there acquaint such Officer or Officers with the Accounts or Debts (if any shall be), between them and the Officers and Private Men so quartered in their respective Houses; which Accounts the said Officer or Officers is or are hereby required to accept of, and immediately pay the same, before any Part of the said Pay or Subsistence be distributed either to the Officers or Private Men: Provided the said Accounts exceed not, for One Marine Commission Officer under the Degree of a Captain, for such Officer's Diet and Small Beer, *per Diem*, One Shilling; and if such Officer shall have a Horse or Horses, for each such Horse or Horses, for their Hay and Straw, *per Diem*, Sixpence; nor for One Private Man's Diet and Small Beer, *per Diem*, Four-pence: And if any Officer or Officers, as aforesaid, shall not give Notice as aforesaid, and shall not immediately, upon producing such Account stated, satisfy, content, and pay the same, upon Complaint and Oath made thereof by any Two Witnesses, at the next Quarter Sessions for the County or City wherein such Quarters were, (which Oath the Justices of the Peace at such Sessions are hereby authorized and required to administer), the Paymaster, or Person for the Time being authorized to pay the said Royal Marine Forces, is hereby required and

Rates of Subsistence to be paid to Innkeepers, *etc.* for Marines Quarters.

Officers not giving Notice of Subsistence-money and paying Quarters.

The Paymaster to satisfy them out of the Arrears.

and authorized (upon Certificate of the ſaid Juſtices, before whom ſuch Oath was made, of the Sum due upon ſuch Accounts, and the Perſons to whom the ſame is owing), to pay and ſatisfy the ſaid Sums out of the Arrears due to the ſaid Marine Officer or Officers, upon Penalty that ſuch Paymaſter or Perſon ſhall forfeit their reſpective Place or Places of Paymaſter or otherwiſe, and be diſcharged from holding the ſame for the future: And in caſe there ſhall be no Arrears due to the ſaid Officer or Officers, then the ſaid Paymaſter, or Perſon for the Time being authorized to pay the ſaid Royal Marine Forces, is hereby authorized and required to deduct the Sums he ſhall pay, purſuant to the Certificate of the ſaid Juſtices, out of the next Pay or Subſiſtence-money of the Company to which ſuch Officer or Officers ſhall belong; and ſuch Officer or Officers ſhall, for ſuch their Offence, or for neglecting to give Notice of the Receipt of ſuch Pay or Subſiſtence-money as aforeſaid, be deemed and taken, and are hereby declared *ipſo facto* caſhiered.

And in caſe of no Arrears due, the Paymaſter may deduct out of the next Subſiſtence money.

Officers neglecting, to be caſhiered.

On moving from Quarters the Officer to make up Accounts, and give Certificates for Money due.

XXXI. And where it ſhall happen that the Subſiſtence-money due to any Marine Officer or Private Man ſhall, by Occaſion of any Accident, not be paid to ſuch Officer or Private Man, or ſuch Officer or Private Man ſhall neglect to pay the ſame, ſo that Quarters cannot be or are not paid as this Act directs; in every ſuch Caſe it is hereby further enacted, That every ſuch Officer ſhall, before his or their Departure out of his or their Quarters, where ſuch Company ſhall remain for any Time whatſoever, make up the Accounts, as this Act directs, with every Perſon with whom ſuch Company ſhall have quartered, and ſign a Certificate thereof, and give the ſaid Certificate, ſo by him ſigned, to the Party to whom ſuch Money is due, with the Name of ſuch Company to which he or they ſhall belong; to the End the ſaid Certificate may be forthwith tranſmitted to the proper Paymaſter of the Royal Marines, who is hereby required immediately to make Payment thereof to the Perſon or Perſons to whom ſuch Money ſhall be due, to the End the ſame may be applied to ſuch Company, under Pain as is before in this Act directed for Non-payment of Quarters.

Paymaſter to pay the Sum certified for.

Officers, &c. to be quartered in *Scotland*, as the Laws in force at the Union direct,

XXXII. And be it enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to quarter Officers and Private Men of His Majeſty's Royal Marine Forces in *Scotland*, in ſuch and the like Places and Houſes as Officers and Private Men of the Land Forces might have been quartered in by the Laws in force in *Scotland* at the Time of the Union; and that the Poſſeſſors of ſuch Houſes ſhall only be liable to furniſh the ſaid Marine Officers and Private Men quartered there, as by the ſaid Laws in force at the Time of the Union was provided with reſpect to the Officers and Private Men of the Land Forces; and that no ſuch Marine Officer ſhall be obliged to pay for his Lodging, where he ſhall be regularly billetted, except in the Suburbs of *Edinburgh*.

and in *Ireland* as the Laws in force at the Union direct.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to quarter Officers and Marines in *Ireland*, in ſuch and the like Places and Houſes as they might have been quartered in, by the Laws in force in *Ireland* at the Time of its Union with *Great Britain*, and that the Poſſeſſors of ſuch Houſes ſhall only be liable to furniſh the ſaid Officers and Marines

quartered there, as by the ſaid Laws in force at the Time of the ſaid Union was provided.

Juſtices may order Conſtables to provide Carriage for the Marine Forces in their Marches.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That, for the better and more regular Proviſion of Carriages for His Majeſty's Royal Marine Forces in their Marches, or for their Arms, Clothes, and Accoutrements, in *England*, *Wales*, and the Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, all Juſtices of the Peace, within the ſeveral Counties, Ridings, Diviſions, Shires, Liberties, and Precincts, being duly required thereunto by the ſaid Lord High Admiral, or Three or more of the Commiſſioners for executing the ſaid Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, by an Order in Writing, under his or their reſpective Hand or Hands, ſhall, as often as ſuch Order ſhall be brought and ſhewn unto One or more ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices, by the Officer or Officers of the Company or Companies of Royal Marines ſo ordered to march, iſſue out his or their Warrant or Warrants to the High Conſtables, or Petty Conſtables, of the Diviſion, Riding, City, Liberty, Hundred, or Precinct, from, through, near, or to which ſuch Company or Companies ſhall be ordered to march, requiring them to make ſuch Proviſion for Carriages, with able Men to drive the ſame, as ſhall be mentioned in the ſaid Warrant, allowing them ſufficient Time to do the ſame, that the neighbouring Parts may not always bear the Burthen: And in caſe ſufficient Carriages cannot be provided within any ſuch Riding, City, Liberty, Hundred, Diviſion, or Precinct, then the next Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace for the County, Riding, or Diviſion, ſhall, upon ſuch Order as aforeſaid being brought or ſhewn to One or more of them, by any of the Marine Officers aforeſaid, iſſue his or their Warrant or Warrants to the High Conſtables, or Petty Conſtables of ſuch next County, Riding, Liberty, Diviſion or Precinct, for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, to make up ſuch Deficiency: And the aforeſaid Officer or Officers, who, by virtue of the aforeſaid Warrant or Warrants from ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, is or are to demand the Carriage or Carriages therein mentioned of the High Conſtable or Petty Conſtable, to whom the Warrant is directed, is and are hereby required, at the ſame Time to pay down in Hand to the ſaid Conſtable, or Petty Conſtable, for the Uſe of the Perſon who ſhall provide ſuch Carriages and Men, the Sum of One Shilling for every Mile any Waggon with Five Horſes ſhall travel; and the Sum of One Shilling for every Mile any Wain with Six Oxen, or four Oxen with Two Horſes ſhall travel; and the Sum of Nine-pence for every Mile any Cart with Four Horſes carrying not leſs than Fifteen hundred Weight ſhall travel; the Sum of Sixpence for every Mile every Cart or other Carriage with leſs than Four Horſes, and not carrying Fifteen hundred Weight ſhall travel; or any further Sum not exceeding Four-pence for every Mile any Waggon with Five Horſes, or any Wain with Six Oxen, or with Four Oxen and Two Horſes ſhall travel; and not exceeding Three-pence for every Mile any Cart with Four Horſes or carrying not leſs than Fifteen hundred Weight ſhall travel; and not exceeding Two-pence for every Mile any Cart or Carriage with leſs than Four Horſes and not carrying Fifteen hundred Weight ſhall travel; according as the ſame ſhall be fixed and ordered by the Juſtices of the Peace for any County or Diſtrict aſſembled at any General Seſſions of the Peace for ſuch County or Diſtrict, the ſaid Juſtices having

Rates for Carriages.

regard to the Price of Hay and Oats at the Time of fixing such additional Rates, for which respective Sums so received, the said Constable or Petty Constable is hereby required to give a Receipt in Writing to the Person or Persons paying the same: And such Constable, or Petty Constable, shall order and appoint such Person or Persons having Carriages, within their respective Liberties, as they shall think proper, to provide and furnish such Carriages and Men according to the Warrant aforesaid, who are hereby required to provide and furnish the same accordingly; And if any Marine Officer or Officers, for the Use of whose Company or Companies the Carriage was provided, shall force and constrain any Waggon, Wain, Cart, or Carriage, to travel more than One Day's Journey, or shall not discharge the same in due Time for their Return Home, or shall suffer any Marine or Servant (except such as are sick), or any Woman to ride in the Waggon, Wain, Cart, or Carriage aforesaid; or shall force any Constable, or Petty Constable, by Threatenings, or menacing Words, to provide Saddle Horses for themselves, or Servants, or shall force Horses from the Owners, by themselves, Servants, or Private Men; every such Officer, for every such Offence, shall forfeit the Sum of Five Pounds; Proof thereof being made upon Oath before Two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the same County or Riding, who are to certify the same to the proper Paymaster of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, who is hereby required to pay the aforesaid Sum of Five Pounds, according to Order and Appointment under the Hands and Seals of such Justices of the Peace; and is also hereby empowered to deduct the same out of such Officer's Pay: Provided always, that in Cases where the Day's March of the Marines shall be such, either owing to the Distance of Place, State of the Roads, or Season of the Year, as not to admit of the Return of the Carriages on the same Day on which they shall have been impressed, such further Compensation shall be made and paid in like Manner to the Owners of the said Carriages as shall be deemed reasonable, by the Magistrate who granted the Warrant for impressing them, not exceeding the usual Rate and Hire of such Carriages: Provided also, that every Order of the Justices assembled at any General Sessions of the Peace fixing a further Sum to be paid for the Hire of Carriages as aforesaid, in Addition to the customary Rates of One Shilling, Nine-pence, and Sixpence *per* Mile respectively, shall specify the Period for which the same shall be in force, and which shall not in any Case exceed Ten Days beyond the General Sessions of the Peace for such County or District next ensuing the Date of such Order.

Penalty on Officers forcing Waggons to travel more than One Day's Journey, *etc.*

Further Compensation to be made for Carriages in Cases where they cannot return the same Day on which impressed.

Order of Justices for Payment of additional Rates to specify a Period for which it shall be in force.

Penalty on Constables, *etc.* Neglect.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That if any High Constable, or Petty Constable, shall wilfully neglect or refuse to execute any such Warrant of the said Justice or Justices of the Peace as shall be directed unto such Constable, or Petty Constable, for providing Carriages as aforesaid; or shall demand or receive for the Use of the Owners furnishing such Waggons, Wains, Carts, or Carriages, more than the accustomed Rates *per* Mile, of One Shilling, Nine-pence, or Sixpence, according to the Size of the respective Carriages as aforesaid, unless any further Sums not exceeding the Amount herein-before specified, shall have been previously fixed and ordered by the Justices at any General Sessions of the Peace assembled as aforesaid; or if any Person or Persons, appointed by such

Conſtable or Petty Conſtable, to provide and furniſh any Carriage and Man, ſhall refuſe or neglect to provide the ſame; or any other Perſon or Perſons whatſoever ſhall wilfully do any Act or Thing, whereby the Execution of any ſuch Warrant or Warrants ſhall be hindered or fruſtrated; every ſuch Conſtable, or other Perſon or Perſons ſo offending, ſhall, for every ſuch Offence, forfeit any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, nor leſs than Forty Shillings, to the Uſe of the Poor of ſuch Pariſh or Pariſhes adjoining to the Pariſh where any ſuch Offence ſhall be committed, as ſhall be fixed upon by the Juſtice or Juſtices by whom ſuch Offence ſhall be enquired of, heard, and determined: And all and every ſuch Offence and Offences ſhall be enquired of, heard, and fully determined by Two of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, dwelling in or near the Place where ſuch Offence ſhall be committed; who have hereby Power to cauſe the ſaid Penalty to be levied by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, rendering the Overplus (if any) to the Owner.

Officers and Marines, *etc.* and Carriages employed in His Majeſty's Service, exempted from Payment of Toll, *etc.*

XXXVI. And whereas in conſequence of certain Exemptions from Toll expreſsly allowed by ſeveral Acts of Parliament for His Majeſty's Forces on their March, or on Duty, and for the Horſes and Carriages attending them, Doubts have ariſen whether in all Caſes not ſo exempted, the Officers and Marines, and the Carriages and Horſes, Boats, Barges, and other Veſſels belonging to His Majeſty or employed in His Service, and returning therefrom, may not be charged with the Payment of Tolls; therefore for obviating ſuch Doubts, it is hereby enacted and declared, That all His Majeſty's Officers and Marines, and their Horſes on Duty, or on their March, and all Carriages, and Horſes belonging to His Majeſty, or employed in His Service, and returning therefrom, and alſo all Boats, Barges, and other Veſſels, belonging to His Majeſty, or employed in His Service, when conveying the Officers, Marines, Servants, Women, Children, or other Perſons, of or belonging to His Majeſty's Royal Marine Forces, and alſo the Arms, Clothes, Accoutrements, Tents, Baggage, and other Equipage, of, or belonging to His Majeſty's Royal Marine Forces on their Marches or returning therefrom, were and are, and ſhall be exempted from Payment of any Duties and Tolls otherwiſe demandable by virtue of any Act of Parliament already made, or hereafter to be made, for Perſons, Horſes, Carriages, or Veſſels, paſſing Turnpike Roads, Bridges, Rivers, Canals, or Locks, unleſs by ſuch Act it has been, or ſhall be expreſsly provided that the ſaid Officers, Royal Marines, Carriages, Horſes, and Veſſels, are and ſhall be liable equally with others to the Duties and Tolls therein authorized to be demanded and taken.

XXXVII. And whereas the reſpective Sums of Money, by this Act appointed to be paid to the Conſtables by the Officers demanding ſuch Carriages, may not, in many Caſes, be ſufficient to anſwer the Charge and Expence of providing the ſame, whereby the ſaid Conſtables may be frequently at great Charges, over and above what is received by them of the ſaid Officers, to the great Burthen of the Townſhips of which they are reſpectively Conſtables, or elſe the Perſons furniſhing ſuch Carriages may be grievouſly oppreſſed; to prevent which, and that ſuch Overplus Charge may be borne by each County or Riding

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at the general Charge of ſuch County or Riding, be it further enacted, That the Treaſurer or Treaſurers of each reſpective County or Riding ſhall, without Fee or Reward, pay unto ſuch Conſtable all and every ſuch reaſonable Sum or Sums of Money, ſo by him paid or laid out for ſuch Carriages, over and above what was or ought to have been paid by the Marine Officer requiring ſuch Carriages, out of the publick Stock of ſuch County or Riding, according to ſuch Rates, Orders, Rules, and Directions, as the ſaid Juſtices of the Peace, in their Quarter Seſſions aſſembled, within their reſpective Juriſdictions, ſhall from Time to Time, during the Continuance of this Act, make, direct, and appoint, (which Orders ſhall be made without Fee or Reward), Regard being always had to the Seaſon of the Year, and the Length and Condition of the Roads through which ſuch Carriages are to travel.

Treaſurer of the County to repay the Conſtables extraordinary Charge.

XXXVIII. And in caſe the ſaid publick Stock of the County or Riding be not ſufficient (over and above the other Purpoſes for which it was raiſed) to ſatisfy the extraordinary Charge of Carriages before mentioned, it is hereby further enacted, That the ſaid Juſtices of the Peace, in the General Quarter Seſſions, ſhall have Power, from Time to Time, to raiſe Monies upon the reſpective Counties or Ridings, in ſuch Manner as they now raiſe Monies for building or repairing County Gaols and Bridges, to ſatisfy the ſaid extraordinary Charge of Carriages.

The Money for that Purpoſe now to be raiſed.

XXXIX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Waggon, Wain, Cart, or Carriage, impreſſed by Authority of this Act, ſhall be liable or obliged, by virtue of this Act, to carry above Twenty Hundred Weight; any Thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

No Waggon, *etc.* to carry, above 20 Hundred Weight.

XL. And be it further enacted, That the Carriages for the Service of the Royal Marine Forces quartered or marched in *Scotland*, ſhall be provided in like Manner, and at the Rates, and the Furniſher of ſuch Carriages ſhall be paid, as was directed by the Law in force in *Scotland* at the Time of the Union, with regard to the furniſhing Carriages for Land Forces.

Carriages in *Scotland*,

XLI. And be it further enacted, That the Carriages for the Service of the Royal Marine Forces from Time to Time quartered or marching in *Ireland*, ſhall be provided in like Manner, and at the Rates, and the Furniſher of ſuch Carriages ſhall be paid as was directed by the Laws in force in *Ireland* at the Time of its Union with *Great Britain*.

and in *Ireland*, how to be provided.

XLII. And be it further enacted, That if any Officer, Military or Civil, by this Act authorized to quarter Soldiers in any Houſes hereby appointed for that Purpoſe, ſhall, at any Time during the Continuance of this Act, quarter any of the Wives, Children, Men or Maid Servants, of any Officer or Marine, in any ſuch Houſes, againſt the Conſent of the Owners; the Party offending, if an Officer of the Royal Marines, ſhall, upon Complaint and Proof thereof made to the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, or Judge-advocate, be *ipſo facto*

Marines Wives, *etc.* not to be quartered without Conſent.

Penalty.

facto caſhiered; and if a Conſtable, Tythingman, or other Civil Officer, he ſhall forfeit to the Party aggrieved Twenty Shillings, upon Complaint and Proof thereof made to the next Juſtice of the Peace; to be levied by Warrant of ſuch Juſtice, by Diſtreſs and Sale of his Goods, rendering the Overplus to the Party, after deducting reaſonable Charges in taking the ſame.

Penalty on Officers or Marines deſtroying the Game.

XLIII. And, for the better Preſervation of the Game in or near ſuch Place where any Officers or Marines ſhall at any Time be quartered, be it enacted, That, if from and after the ſaid Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thouſand eight hundred and five, any Officer or Marine ſhall, without Leave of the Lord of the Manor, under his Hand and Seal firſt had and obtained, take, kill, or deſtroy, any Hare, Coney, Pheaſant, Partridge, Pigeon, or any other Sort of Fowls, Poultry, or Fiſh, or His Majeſty's Game, within the Kingdom of *Great Britain*, and upon Complaint thereof ſhall be, upon Oath, of One or more credible Witneſs or Witneſſes, convicted before any Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, who is and are hereby empowered and authorized to hear and determine the ſame, (that is to ſay), every Officer ſo offending ſhall, for every ſuch Offence, forfeit the Sum of Five Pounds, to be diſtributed among the Poor of the Place where ſuch Offence ſhall be committed; and every Officer commanding in Chief upon the Place, for every ſuch Offence committed by any Marine under his Command, ſhall forfeit the Sum of Twenty Shillings, to be paid and diſtributed in Manner aforeſaid: And, if, upon Conviction made by the Juſtices of the Peace, and Demand thereof alſo made by the Conſtable or Overſeers of the Poor, ſuch Officer ſhall refuſe or neglect, and not within Two Days pay the ſaid reſpective Penalties, ſuch Officer ſo refuſing or neglecting ſhall forfeit, and he is hereby declared to have forfeited his Commiſſion, and his Commiſſion is hereby declared to be null and void.

Conſtables, *&c.* may apprehend Deſerters, and carry them before a Juſtice.

XLIV. And whereas ſeveral Marines, who being duly entered may afterwards deſert, and be found wandering, or otherwiſe abſenting themſelves illegally from His Majeſty's Service; it is hereby further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Conſtable, Headborough, or Tythingman, of the Town or Place where any Perſon, who may reaſonably be ſuſpected to be ſuch a Deſerter, ſhall be found, or for any Marine Officer or Marine to apprehend or cauſe ſuch ſuſpected Perſon to be apprehended, and to bring or cauſe him to be brought before any Juſtice of the Peace living in or near ſuch Town or Place, who is hereby empowered and required to examine ſuch ſuſpected Perſon; and if, by his Confeſſion, or the Teſtimony of One or more Witneſs or Witneſſes upon Oath, or by Knowledge of ſuch Juſtice of the Peace, it ſhall appear or be found that ſuch ſuſpected Perſon is a Marine duly entered, and ought to be with the Company to which he belongs, ſuch Juſtice of the Peace ſhall forthwith cauſe him to be conveyed to the Gaol of the County or Place where he ſhall be found; or to the Houſe of Correction or other publick Priſon, in ſuch Town or Place where ſuch Deſerter ſhall be apprehended; or to the *Savoy*, in caſe ſuch Deſerter ſhall be apprehended within the Cities of *London* or *Weſtminſter*, or Places adjacent;

and transmit an Account to the Secretary of the Admiralty.

and transmit an Account thereof to the Secretary of the Admiralty for the Time being, to the End such Person may be proceeded against according to Law: And the Keeper of every Gaol, House of Correction, or Prison, shall receive the full Subsistence of such Deserter, during the Time he shall continue in his Custody, for the Maintenance of such Deserter; but shall not be entitled to any Fee or Reward on account of the Imprisonment of any such Deserter; any Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Gaol Keeper to receive the Subsistence of Deserters.

Reward for taking up Deserters.

XLV. And, for the better Encouragement of any Person or Persons to secure or apprehend such Deserter, be it further enacted, That such Justice of the Peace shall also issue his Warrant in Writing, to the Collector or Collectors of the Land Tax Money of the Parish or Township in *Great Britain* where such Deserter shall be apprehended, or in *Ireland*, to the Collector or Collectors of His Majesty's Revenue in the District where such Deserter shall be apprehended, for paying out of the Land Tax Money or Revenue arisen, or to arise, in the Year One thousand eight hundred and five, into the Hands of such Person or Persons who shall apprehend or cause to be apprehended, any such Deserter from His Majesty's Service, the Sum of Twenty Shillings for every such Deserter, that shall be so apprehended and committed; which Sum of Twenty Shillings shall be satisfied by such Collector or Collectors to whom such Warrant shall be directed, and allowed upon his or their Account.

Penalty on Persons concealing Deserters, *etc.*

XLVI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if any Person shall harbour, conceal, or assist, any Deserter from His Majesty's Royal Marine Service, knowing him to be such, the Person so offending shall forfeit, for every such Offence, the Sum of Twenty Pounds, and upon Conviction, by the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, before any of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, the said Penalty of Twenty Pounds shall be levied by Warrant under the Hand of such Justice of the Peace, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Offender; One Moiety of the said Penalty to be paid to the Informer, and the other Moiety to be paid to the Officer to whom any such Deserter did belong: And in case any such Offender, who shall be convicted as aforesaid, of harbouring, concealing, or assisting any such Deserter, shall not have sufficient Goods and Chattels whereon Distress may be made, to the Value of the Penalty awarded against him or her for such Offence, or shall not pay such Penalty within Four Days after such Conviction; then and in such Case, such Justice of the Peace shall and may, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, commit such Offender to the Common Gaol, there to remain, without Bail or Mainprize, for the Space of Six Months.

Penalty on Persons receiving the Arms, Cloaths, *etc.* of Deserters, *etc.*

XLVII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person shall knowingly detain, buy, or exchange, or otherwise receive any Arms, Clothes, Caps, or other Furniture, belonging to the King, from any Marine or Marine Deserter, or any other Person, upon any Account or Pretence whatsoever, or any such Articles belonging to any Marine or Marine Deserter, as are generally deemed Regimental Necessaries, according to the Custom of

of the Royal Marine Corps (being provided for the Marine, and paid for by the Deductions out of his Pay), or cauſe the Colour of ſuch Clothes to be changed, every ſuch Perſon ſo offending, ſhall forfeit for every ſuch Offence, the Sum of Five Pounds; and upon Conviction by the Oath of One or more credible Witneſs or Witneſſes before any One or more of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, the ſaid Penalty ſhall be levied by Warrant under the Hands of the ſaid Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Offender, One Moiety thereof to be paid to the Informer, and the other Moiety to be paid to the Officer to whom any ſuch Marine did or doth belong; and in caſe any ſuch Offender who ſhall be convicted as aforeſaid, of having knowingly received any Arms, Clothes, Caps, or other Furniture belonging to the King, or any ſuch Articles as are generally deemed Regimental Neceſſaries, or of having cauſed the Colour of ſuch Clothes to be changed contrary to the Intent of this Act, ſhall not have ſufficient Goods and Chattels, whereon Diſtreſs may be made to the Value of the Penalty recovered againſt him or her for ſuch Offence, or ſhall not pay ſuch Penalty within Four Days after ſuch Conviction, then and in ſuch Caſe, ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, ſhall and may, by Warrant under his or their Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, either commit ſuch Offender to the Common Gaol there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for the Space of Three Months, or cauſe ſuch Offender to be publickly or privately whipped at the Diſcretion of ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices.

Offences againſt former Acts may be enquired of and puniſhed as under this Act.

XLVIII. And, in order to prevent all Doubts which may ariſe in relation to puniſhing Offences committed againſt former Acts of Parliament made for the Regulation of the Royal Marine Forces while on Shore, be it enacted, That all Crimes and Offences which have been committed againſt any of the former Acts in that Behalf, ſhall and may, during the Continuance of this preſent Act, be enquired of, heard, tried, determined, adjudged, and puniſhed, before and by the like Courts, Perſons, Powers, Authorities, Ways, Means, and Methods, as the like Crimes and Offences committed againſt this preſent Act may be enquired of, heard, tried, determined, adjudged, and puniſhed.

Provided no Perſon be liable to be tried for Offences committed Three Years before iſſuing the Warrant for Trial; except in Caſes of Deſertion only.

XLIX. Provided always, That no Perſon ſhall be liable to be tried or puniſhed for any Offence committed againſt any of the ſaid former Acts, which ſhall appear to have been committed more than Three Years before the iſſuing of the Commiſſion or Warrant for ſuch Trial; except only for the Offence of Deſertion.

No Volunteer liable to Proceſs unleſs for ſome criminal Matter, or unleſs for a real Debt of the Value of 10*l.*

L. And to prevent, as far as may be, any unjuſt or fraudulent Arreſts that may be made upon Marines, whereby His Majeſty and the Publick may be deprived of their Service, it is hereby further enacted, That no Perſon whatſoever who is entered, or ſhall enter himſelf as a Volunteer in His Majeſty's Service as a Marine, during the Continuance of this Act, ſhall be liable to be taken out of His Majeſty's Service by any Proceſs or Execution whatſoever, other than for ſome criminal Matter, unleſs for a real Debt, or other juſt Cauſe of Action; and unleſs, before the taking out of ſuch Proceſs or Execution, (not being for a criminal Matter), the

Plaintiff or Plaintiffs therein, or some other Person or Persons on his or their Behalf, shall make Affidavit before One or more Judge or Judges of the Court of Record, or other Court, out of which such Process or Execution shall issue, or before some Person authorized to take Affidavits in such Courts, that to his or their Knowledge the original Sum justly due and owing to the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs from the Defendant or Defendants, in the Action or Cause of Action on which such Process shall issue, or the original Debt for which such Execution shall be issued out, amounts to the Value of Twenty Pounds at least, over and above all Costs of Suit in the same Action, or in any other Action on which the same shall be grounded; a Memorandum of which Oath shall be marked on the Back of such Process or Writ; for which Memorandum or Oath no Fee shall be taken: And if any Person shall nevertheless be arrested contrary to the Intent of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for One or more Judge or Judges of such Court, upon Complaint thereof made by the Party himself, or by any his superior Officer, to examine into the same by the Oath of the Parties, or otherwise, and by Warrant, under his or their Hands and Seals, to discharge such Marine so arrested contrary to the Intent of this Act, without paying any Fee or Fees, upon due Proof made before him or them that such Marine so arrested was legally listed as a Marine in His Majesty's Service, and arrested contrary to the Intent of this Act; and also to award to the Party so complaining such Costs as such Judge or Judges shall think reasonable; for the Recovery whereof he shall have the like Remedy that the Person who takes out the said Execution might have had for his Costs, or the Plaintiff in the like Action might have had for the Recovery of his Costs in case Judgement had been given for him with Costs, against the Defendant in the said Action.

Oath of the Debt to be made before a Judge,

and a Memorandum thereof marked on the Back of the Process; otherwise the Prisoner to be discharged with Costs.

LI. And, to the End that honest Creditors, who aim only at the Recovery of their just Debts due to them from Persons entered as Marines in His Majesty's Service, may not be hindered from suing for the same, but on the contrary may be assisted and forwarded in their Suits; and instead of an Arrest, which may at once hurt the Service, and occasion a great Expence and Delay to themselves, may be enabled to proceed in a more speedy and cheap Method; be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for any Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, upon Notice first given in Writing of the Cause of Action to such Person or Persons so entered, or left at his or their Place of Residence before such Entering, to file a common Appearance in any Action to be brought for or upon Account of any Debt whatsoever, so as to entitle such Plaintiff to proceed therein to Judgement and Outlawry, and to have an Execution thereupon, other than against the Body or Bodies of him or them so entered as aforesaid; this Act, or any Thing herein, or any former Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

Plaintiff giving Notice may file a Common Appearance,

and proceed to Judgement and Execution.

LII. And be it further enacted, That, from the passing of this Act, no Marine, being arrested or confined for Debt in any Prison, Gaol, or other Place, shall be entitled to any Part of his Pay from the Day of such Arrest or Confinement until the Day of his Return to the Regiment or Company to which he shall belong.

Marines while confined for Debt, not to receive Pay.

LIII. And

LIII. And be it further enacted, That if any High Conſtable, Conſtable, Beadle, or other Officer or Perſon whatſoever, who, by virtue or colour of this Act, ſhall quarter or billet, or be employed in quartering or billetting any Marine Officers or Private Men, ſhall neglect or refuſe for the Space of Two Hours to quarter or billet ſuch Officers or Marines, when thereunto required, in ſuch Manner as is by this Act directed, provided ſufficient Notice be given before the Arrival of ſuch Forces, or ſhall receive, demand, contract or agree for any Sum or Sums of Money, or any Reward whatſoever, for or on Account of excuſing, or in order to excuſe any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever from quartering, or receiving into his, her, or their Houſe or Houſes, any ſuch Officer or Marine; or in caſe any Victualler, or any other Perſon liable by this Act to have any Officer or Marine billetted or quartered on him or her, ſhall refuſe to receive or victual any ſuch Officer or Marine ſo quartered or billetted upon him or her as aforeſaid; or ſhall refuſe to furniſh or allow, according to the Directions of this Act, the ſeveral Things herein-before reſpectively directed to be furniſhed or allowed to Non-commiſſion Officers or Marines ſo quartered or billetted on him or her as aforeſaid, at the Rate herein-before mentioned, and ſhall be thereof convicted, before any One or more Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace of the County, City, or Liberty within which ſuch Offence ſhall be committed, either by his own Confeſſion, or by the Oath of One or more credible Witneſs or Witneſſes, (which Oath the ſaid Juſtice or Juſtices is and are hereby empowered to adminiſter), every ſuch High Conſtable, Conſtable, Beadle, or other Officer or Perſon ſo offending, ſhall forfeit, for every ſuch Offence, the Sum of Five Pounds, or any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor leſs than Forty Shillings (as the ſaid Juſtice or Juſtices, before whom the Matter ſhall be heard, ſhall, in his or their Diſcretion think fit); to be levied, by Diſtreſs and Sale of the Goods of the Perſon offending, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals of ſuch Juſtice or Juſtices before whom ſuch Offender ſhall be convicted, or of One or more of them, to be directed to any other Conſtable within the County, City, or Liberty, or to any of the Overſeers of the Poor of the Pariſh where the Offender ſhall dwell; and the ſaid Sum of Five Pounds, or the ſaid Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor leſs than Forty Shillings, when levied, to be paid to the Overſeers of the Poor of the Pariſh where the Offence ſhall be committed, or to ſome One of them, for the Uſe of the Poor of ſuch Pariſh.

Penalty on Conſtables, *etc.* neglecting to quarter Marines;

on taking Money to excuſe any Perſon from quartering;

and on Victuallers refuſing to receive Marines.

LIV. And for the better preventing Abuſes in quartering or billetting the Royal Marines in purſuance of this Act, be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for any One or more Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, within their reſpective Counties, Cities, or Liberties by Warrant or Order under his or their Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, at any Time or Times during the Continuance of this Act, to require and command any High Conſtable, Conſtable, Beadle, or other Officer, who ſhall quarter or billet any Royal Marines in purſuance of this Act, to give an Account, in Writing, unto the ſaid Juſtice or Juſtices requiring the ſame, of the Number of Officers and Private Men who ſhall be quartered or billetted by them, and alſo the Names of the Houſekeepers or Perſons upon whom

To prevent Abuſes in quartering, Juſtices may order Conſtables to give an Account of the Number of Officers and private Men, and where quartered.

whom every such Officer or Private Man shall be quartered or billetted, together with an Account of the Street or Place where every such House-keeper dwells, and of the Signs (if any) belonging to their Houses; to the End it may appear to the said Justice or Justices where such Officers and private Men are quartered or billetted, and that he or they may thereby be the better enabled to prevent or punish all Abuses in the quartering or billetting of them.

Clause for Relief of Persons hastily inlisting themselves.

LV. Provided nevertheless, and it is hereby declared, That, from and after the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and five, when and as often as any Person or Persons shall be inlisted as a Marine or Marines in His Majesty's Service, he and they shall, within Four Days, but not sooner than Twenty-four Hours, after such Inlisting respectively, be carried before some Justice of the Peace of any County, Riding, City, or Place, or Chief Magistrate of any City or Town Corporate, residing or being next to or in the Vicinity of the Place where such Person or Persons shall have been enlisted, and not being an Officer of Royal Marines, and before such Justice or Chief Magistrate he or they shall be at Liberty to declare his or their Dissent to such Inlisting; and upon such Declaration, and returning the Inlisting Money, and also each Person so dissenting paying the Sum of Twenty Shillings for the Charges expended or laid out upon him, such Person or Persons so inlisted shall be forthwith discharged and set at Liberty, in the Presence of such Justice or Chief Magistrate; but if such Person or Persons shall refuse or neglect, within the Space of Twenty-four Hours, to return and pay such Money as aforesaid, he or they shall be deemed and taken to be inlisted, as if he or they had given his or their Assent thereto before the said Justice or Chief Magistrate; or if such Person or Persons shall declare his or their having voluntarily inlisted himself or themselves, then such Justice or Chief Magistrate shall, and he is hereby required forthwith to certify under his Hand, that such Person or Persons is or are duly inlisted; setting forth the Place of the Birth, Age, and Calling, of him or them respectively, (if known), and that the Second and Third Sections of the Articles of War, for the better Government of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore, were read to him or them, and that he or they had taken the Oath of Fidelity mentioned in the Twelfth Section of the said Articles of War, and also the Oath mentioned in the Schedule to this Act annexed, marked (A.); and if any such Person or Persons, so to be certified as duly inlisted, shall refuse to take the said Oath of Fidelity before the said Justice or Chief Magistrate, it shall and may be lawful for such Officer, from whom he has received such Money as aforesaid, to detain or confine such Person or Persons until he or they shall take the Oath before required; and every Officer of Royal Marines that shall act contrary hereto, or offend herein, upon Proof thereof, upon Oath made by Two Witnesses, before a General Court-martial to be thereupon called, shall, for such Offence, be forthwith cashiered and displaced from such his Office, and shall be thereby utterly disabled to have or hold any Civil or Military Office or Employment within this Kingdom, or in His Majesty's Service.

Persons receiving inlisting Money

LVI. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall receive the inlisting Money from any Officer (knowing it to be such) and shall

shall abscond or refuse to go before such Justice or Chief Magistrate in order to declare his Assent or Dissent as aforesaid, such Person or Persons shall be deemed and taken to be inlisted to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, and shall and may be proceeded against as if he or they had taken the Oaths directed by this Act to be taken before such Justice or Chief Magistrate.

absconding or refusing to go before a Magistrate shall be deemed inlisted.

LVII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person duly bound as an Apprentice shall inlist as a Royal Marine in His Majesty's Service, and shall take the Oath mentioned in the Schedule to this Act annexed marked (A.), every such Person so offending, and being thereof duly convicted, shall be and is hereby declared to be subject and liable to such Pains and Penalties, as by any Laws now in being any Persons convicted of wilful and corrupt Perjury are subject and liable to.

Apprentices taking the Oath mentioned in Schedule (A.) liable to the Pains inflicted for Perjury.

LVIII. And be it further enacted, That no Master shall be entitled to claim any Apprentice who shall, after the passing of this Act, inlist as a Royal Marine in His Majesty's Service, unless such Master shall, within One Calendar Month after such Apprentice shall have absconded or left his Service, go before some Justice of the Peace or Magistrate, and before such Justice of the Peace or Magistrate take the Oath mentioned in the Schedule to this Act annexed marked (B.) and produce the Certificate of such Justice of the Peace or Magistrate of his having taken such Oath, which Certificate such Justice of the Peace or Magistrate is hereby required to give in the Form in the Schedule to this Act annexed marked (C.).

Masters claiming Apprentices to take the Oath mentioned in Schedule (B.) *etc.*

LIX. And whereas it may be expedient, in certain Cases, particularly where a sufficient Number of Marine Officers cannot be conveniently assembled, or in Matters wherein any of His Majesty's Land Forces may be interested, that Officers of the Land Forces should be associated with the Royal Marine Officers for the Purpose of holding Courts-martial; be it enacted and declared, That when and as often as it shall be necessary, it shall and may be lawful for Officers of the Royal Marine and Land Forces to sit in conjunction upon Courts-martial, and to proceed in the Trial of any Marine Officer or Private Man, in like Manner, to all Intents and Purposes, as if such Courts-martial were composed of Marine Officers only; and the Officers of the Marine and Land Forces are, in such Cases, to take Rank according to the Seniority of their Commissions in either Service.

As often as it shall be necessary, Officers of the Marine and Land Forces may sit in Conjunction upon Courts-martial.

taking Rank according to the Seniority of their Commissions.

LX. Provided always, and it is hereby declared, That all His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, as well Officers as private Men, shall, from Time to Time, during their being respectively borne as Part of the Complement of any of His Majesty's Ships or Vessels, or as Supernumeraries on board the same, be subject or liable, in like Manner, in all Respects, as any Officers or Seamen employed in His Majesty's Sea Service are subject and liable to be governed, and proceeded against, and punished, for Offences committed by them during the Time they shall be borne as Part of the Complement of such Ships or Vessels, or as Supernumeraries on board the same, according to the Purport, Tenor, Effect, and true Intent

Marine Forces being borne as Part of the Complement of any Ships of War, are liable to be governed by the Rules established by Act 22 Geo. 2.

and

and Meaning of an Act of Parliament, made in the Twenty-second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for amending, explaining, and reducing into One Act of Parliament, the Laws relating to the Government of His Majesty's Ships, Vessels, and Forces by Sea*; this present Act, or any Thing herein contained, notwithstanding.

Continuance of this Act.

LXI. And be it further enacted, That this Act, and every Thing herein contained, shall be and continue in force within *Great Britain*, from the said Twenty-fifth Day of *March* in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and five, until the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and six, and shall be and continue in force within *Ireland*, from the First Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and five until the First Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and six; and that this Act, so far as relates to the Allowances to be made for the quartering of Royal Marines, and providing for their Horses, may be altered and varied by any Act or Acts to be made in this Session of Parliament.

Act, in Part, may be altered this Session.

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULES to which this Act refers.

SCHEDULE (A.)

FORM OF OATH.

I do make Oath, That I am by Trade and, to the beſt of my Knowledge and Belief, was born in the Pariſh of in the County of and that I have no Rupture, nor ever was troubled with Fits, and am no Ways diſabled by Lameneſs, or otherwiſe, but have the perfect Uſe of my Limbs; that I am not an Apprentice, and that I do not belong to the Militia, or to any Regiment in His Majeſty's Service, or to His Majeſty's Navy or Royal Marines. As Witneſs my Hand at the Day of One thouſand eight hundred and

Sworn before me at this Day of One thouſand eight hundred and

Witneſs preſent.

SCHEDULE (B.)

FORM OF MASTER'S OATH.

I of do make Oath, That I am by Trade a and that was bound to ſerve as an Apprentice to me in the ſaid Trade, by Indenture, dated the Day of for the Term of Seven Years; and, that the ſaid did on or about the Day of abſcond and quit my Service without my Conſent, and that, to the beſt of my Knowledge and Belief, the ſaid is aged about Years. Witneſs my Hand, at the Day of One thouſand eight hundred and

Sworn before me at this Day of One thouſand eight hundred and

SCHEDULE (C.)

FORM OF JUSTICE'S CERTIFICATE.

To wit. } I *A. B.* One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace of certify, That of came before me at on the Day of One thousand eight hundred and and made Oath, That he was by Trade a and that was bound to serve as an Apprentice to him in the said Trade by Indenture, dated the Day of for the Term of Seven Years; and that the said Apprentice did, on or about the Day of abscond and quit the Service of the said without his Consent, and that to the best of his Knowledge and Belief the said Apprentice is aged about Years.

A. B.

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