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An Act to amend and extend the Benefits of an Act made in the Thirty-fifth Year of His present Majesty, to enable Petty Officers, Seamen, and Marines, serving in His Majesty's Navy, to allot Part of their Wages or Pay for the Maintenance of their Wives and Families. [21st *July* 1806.]

WHEREAS an Act passed in the Thirty-fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act to enable Petty Officers in the Navy, and Seamen, Non-commissioned Officers of Marines, and Marines, serving in His Majesty's Navy, to allot Part of their Pay for the Maintenance of their Wives and Families:* And whereas it would greatly tend to the Convenience and Benefit of His Majesty's Service, if the Mode prescribed for making Allotments of Pay under the said Act were rendered more simple and easy; be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act, every Petty Officer, Seaman, and Landman, and every Non-commissioned Officer of Marines and Marine, desiring to allot any Pay under the Provisions of the said recited Act, shall signify such his Desire, by signing his Name to Two Orders or Declarations, in the Form or to the Effect required by the said Act, and directed to the Commissioners

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Petty Officers, Seamen, &c. desiring to allot any Pay under recited Act, shall sign Two Orders, which being

witnessed by the Captain, &c shall be transmitted to the Commissioners of the Navy, who shall make out Bills for Payment, &c.

Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy, which said Orders or Declarations being witnessed by the Captain or Commander, and any other of the signing Officers of the Ship or Vessel to which such Petty Officer, Seaman or Landman, Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, shall belong, shall be forthwith transmitted to the Commissioners of the Navy, and shall be full and sufficient Authority for the said Commissioners, or any Three of them, to make out and sign a Bill in Duplicate for Payment of the Sum allotted by such Orders or Declarations, to the Person therein named; and the said Commissioners of the Navy shall thereupon transmit one of such Bills to the Person to whom the Allotment shall be made, and the other of such Bills to the Person by whom the same is to be paid; and one of the said Orders or Declarations shall be lodged in the Office of the said Commissioners, and the other of the said Orders or Declarations shall be lodged in the Office of the Treasurer of the Navy, as Vouchers for the issuing of such Bills; any Thing in the said recited Act to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Allotments made after the passing of this Act, according to the Provisions of recited Act, sufficient Authority to the Commissioners of the Navy.

II. Provided always, That all Allotments made after the passing of this Act, by any Petty Officer, Seaman, or Landman, Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, serving on board of any Ship or Vessel in His Majesty's Service, according to the Provisions of the said recited Act, before the Provisions of this Act shall have been known on board of such Ship or Vessel, shall be full and sufficient Authority for the Commissioners of the Navy to make out a Duplicate Bill, in the Manner herein prescribed.

In Case of a Wife or Mother returning to her Friends, or Parish, from any Port, Place of Payment of Allotment may be altered.

III. And be it enacted, That in every Case in which the Wife or Mother of any Petty Officer, Seaman, or Landman, Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, to whom any Allotment shall have been made payable, at or near to the Port where the Ship or Vessel to which he shall belong may have been at the Time of making such Allotment, shall return to her Friends, or to the Parish or Place to which she shall belong, it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of the Navy, on receiving a Certificate from the Minister and Churchwardens, or Elders, of the Parish or Place to which she shall remove, of her actual Residence there, to alter the Place of Payment of her Allotment accordingly; any Thing in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Allotments may be revoked.

IV. And be it further enacted, That if any Petty Officer, Seaman, or Landman, Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, who shall have made any Allotment of Pay under the Provisions of the said recited Act, or who shall hereafter make any Allotment of Pay, shall be desirous of revoking such his Allotment, and shall signify to his Commanding Officer his Intention so to do, and his Reasons for so doing, such Officer shall, as soon as the same can conveniently be done, communicate such Intention, and the Reasons given for the same, to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy, and if the said Commissioners shall be satisfied therewith, they are hereby authorized forthwith to stop all future Payments on any such Allotment so revoked; and in every Case in which it shall be represented to the Commissioners of the Navy, by the Minister and Churchwardens, or Elders, of the Parish or Place where any Woman receiving any such Allotment of Pay under the said Act, or this Act, shall reside, and whose Husband shall be then serving Abroad,

Payment of Allotments to Wives conducting themselves improperly may be stopped.

that

then she has conducted herself in such a Manner as to be undeserving of Support from her Husband, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, and they are hereby authorized to withhold any further Payment on any such Allotment; any Thing in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Allotment to cease on the Person granting it, deserting.

V. And be it enacted, That if any Petty Officer, Seaman, or Landman, or Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, shall desert from His Majesty's Service, any Allotment he may have made, and which may then be in force, shall immediately cease and determine, and no further Sum or Sums due, or to grow due, thereon, shall thereafter be paid on such Allotment; any Thing in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

On Persons being disrated, the Commissioners of the Navy may recal Bills issued, and issue others.

VI. And be it enacted, That if any Petty Officer or Seaman in His Majesty's Service, or Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, shall, from Misconduct, or any other Cause, be disrated, it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of the Navy, on Information thereof, to recal any Bills before then issued, and in force for Payment of any Allotment made by any such Petty Officer or Seaman, or Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, and to direct other Bills to be issued in lieu thereof, to the Amount of Half the Pay to which the Party so disrated shall be reduced, without his signing any fresh Order or Declaration for that Purpose, any Thing in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Commissioners of the Navy may direct the Treasurer of the Navy, Receiver General of Land Tax, &c. as often as Pay shall be increased, to increase the Allotments.

VII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy, or any Three of them, to direct the Treasurer of the Navy, or any Receiver General of Land Tax, Collector of Customs, or Collector of Excise, or Clerks of the Cheque, or Officer of Revenue in *Ireland*, by whom any Allotment made conformable to the said recited Act, or this Act, shall be payable from Time to Time, and as often as the Pay of any such Petty Officer, Seaman, or Landman, Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, shall have been increased by any Order of His Majesty in Council, to increase the Allowance in the Payments which he or they, or any of them, may thereafter make to the Wife or Mother of any such Petty Officer, Seaman, or Landman, Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, to a Proportion equal in the Whole to One Half of the Pay of every such Petty Officer, Seaman, or Landman, Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, at the respective Times of the making of such Payments, and in the same Manner as if such Declaration and Order of Allotment had been originally made according to the Rate of Half the Pay of every such Petty Officer, Seaman, or Landman, Non-commissioned Officer of Marines, or Marine, at the respective Times of such Payments.

Receiver General of Land Tax, Collector of Customs, &c. shall transmit Quarterly to the Commissioners of the Navy a List

VIII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, every Receiver General of Land Tax, Collector of Customs, Collector of Excise, Clerk of the Cheque, and Officer of Revenue, in *Ireland*, shall, on the following Quarter Days, that is to say, on the First Day of *January*, the First Day of *April*, the First Day of *July*, and the First Day of *October*, in every Year, transmit to the Commissioners of the Navy, a List of all the Triplicate Bills already issued under the Provisions of

of all Triplicate Bills iſſued under the recited Act, and Duplicate Bills to be iſſued under this Act.

of the ſaid recited Act, and alſo of all the Duplicate Bills directed to them, or which ſhall be in their Poſſeſſion for Payment of Allotments, under the Proviſions of this Act, numerically arranged, according to the Number of each Allotment, and particularizing in ſuch Liſts the Date of each Allotment, and the Name of the Party by whom the ſame was made, and the Sum paid *per* Month in reſpect thereof, and ſhall inſert in the Firſt of ſuch Liſts which ſhall be tranſmitted, at the End of the Firſt Quarter after the paſſing of this Act, the total Sums paid by them reſpectively, up to that Time, on account of each ſuch Allotment, and ſhall alſo inſert, in every ſucceſſive Quarterly Liſt, the Amount of the Money which they ſhall have paid in reſpect of each Allotment, in the Quarter immediately preceding the Day when each ſuch Liſt ſhall or ought to have been tranſmitted as aforeſaid.

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