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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. VIII.

An Act for the Regulation of His Majesty's Household, and enabling Her Majesty the Queen to meet the encreased Expence to which Her Majesty may be exposed during His Majesty's Indisposition; and for the Care of His Majesty's Real and Personal Property; and to amend an Act of the last Session of Parliament, to provide for the Administration of the Royal Authority during His Majesty's Illness. [11th *February* 1812.]

WHEREAS the Continuance of the severe Indisposition with which it has pleased God to afflict the King's Most Excellent Majesty, renders it necessary to make further Regulations for the Arrangement of His Majesty's Household, and for the Exercise of the Royal Authority during such Illness; and for enabling Her Most Excellent Majesty the Queen, to meet the increased Expence to which, in consequence of such Indisposition, Her Majesty may be exposed; 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 Eighteenth Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, and during the Continuance of His Majesty's Indisposition, the First Gentleman of His Majesty's Bed-Chamber (commonly called

Part of the Household to attend His Majesty, and be under the

Direction of and appointed or ſelected by Her Majeſty. Groom of the Stole to have the Powers of Lord Chamberlain, Lord Steward, and Maſter of the Horſe of the Houſehold in Attendance on His Majeſty.

called the Groom of the Stole) the Vice-Chamberlain of His Majeſty's Houſehold, the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, Four of the Gentlemen, and Four of the Grooms of His Majeſty's Bed-Chamber, the Maſter of His Majeſty's Robes, His Majeſty's Equerries and Pages, together with a Private Secretary of Her Majeſty, and Secretary to the Groom of the Stole, and ſuch Number of Attendants and Servants as may be requiſite and ſuitable for the due Attendance on His Majeſty's Sacred Perſon, ſhall be appointed, by the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty, or ſelected and choſen from the reſpective Departments of His Majeſty's preſent Houſehold, and ſhall be under the ſole Direction and Controul of Her Majeſty, for the Care and Attendance upon His Majeſty's Sacred Perſon, and the regulating, ordering, and managing all Things relating thereto; and Her ſaid Majeſty ſhall have the full and ſole Power and Authority to order and direct all Matters and Things relating to the Management of ſuch Part of His Majeſty's Houſehold, as ſhall be in Attendance upon His Majeſty's Perſon as above directed, and the reſpective Duties and Attendances of all ſuch Officers of the Houſehold and Attendants and Servants aforeſaid, and ſhall alſo have full Power and Authority, by any Inſtrument or Inſtruments in Writing ſigned and ſealed by Her Majeſty, to remove, nominate, and appoint, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majeſty, all the Perſons who ſhall be in Attendance upon His Majeſty's Perſon, and in like Manner to ſupply all Vacancies ariſing by Removal, Reſignation, or Death of any ſuch Officers of the Houſehold, or Attendants and Servants or Perſons aforeſaid, except ſuch as have heretofore been uſually nominated and appointed by the Lord Chamberlain or Lord Steward of His Majeſty's Houſehold, or the Maſter of His Majeſty's Horſe, or the Maſter of His Majeſty's Robes reſpectively; and the ſaid Firſt Gentleman of His Majeſty's Bed-Chamber, commonly called the Groom of the Stole, ſo appointed to attend upon His Majeſty's Perſon, ſhall nominate and appoint to all ſuch Vacancies as ſhall ariſe by Removal, Reſignation, or Death of any ſuch Officers, Attendants, or Servants aforeſaid, as have heretofore been nominated or appointed by the Lord Chamberlain or Lord Steward reſpectively of His Majeſty's Houſehold, or by the Maſter of the Horſe to His Majeſty; and ſuch Groom of the Stole ſhall have all ſuch Juriſdiction, Power, and Authority, over ſuch Officers, Attendants, and Servants, as have heretofore been and are now uſually exerciſed by the Lord Chamberlain and Lord Steward of His Majeſty's Houſehold reſpectively, and by the Maſter of the Horſe to His Majeſty.

Vice Chamberlain may, by order of Her Majeſty act for Groom of the Stole in his Abſence.

II. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for Her Majeſty, during the Continuance of His Majeſty's Indiſpoſition, to order and direct the Vice Chamberlain of His Majeſty's Houſehold to act in the Abſence of the Groom of the Stole aforeſaid, for ſuch Groom of the Stole, or during any Vacancy of the Office of ſuch Groom of the Stole, as if he was ſpecially deputed for that Purpoſe, and to perform all the Duties of the ſaid Office during ſuch Abſence or Vacancy; and all ſuch Acts, Matters, and Things done, or Orders given by ſuch Vice Chamberlain during ſuch Abſence of ſuch Groom of the Stole, or the Vacancy of ſuch Office, ſhall be as valid, and have the ſame Effect, as if done or given by the ſaid Groom of the Stole: Provided always, That ſuch Vice Chamberlain ſhall not remove or appoint any Officers, Attendants, or Perſons, of ſuch Part of His Majeſty's Houſehold as ſhall be under the

Juriſdiction of the Groom of the Stole, during any Abſence of the Groom of the Stole, unleſs he have ſpecial Authority for that Purpoſe from the Groom of the Stole, or the ſaid Office ſhall be vacant.

The Remainder of the Houſehold to attend upon the Regent; and if the Regent appoint other Perſons in lieu of thoſe in Attendance upon His Majeſty, they are to have like Salaries. The Regent to have all Regal Prerogatives.

III. And be it further enacted, That all the other Officers, Attendants, and Servants, belonging to or making Part of, or attached to His Majeſty's Houſehold, and not placed by this Act under the Direction and Controul of Her Majeſty, ſhall, during the Continuance of His Majeſty's Illneſs, be under and ſubject to the Removal, Appointment, Controul, and Direction of, and be in Attendance upon His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent, exerciſing the Royal Authority in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majeſty, in their reſpective Offices, according to their reſpective Duties, in like Manner as they have heretofore been accuſtomed to attend upon His Majeſty; and if His Royal Highneſs the Regent ſhall think fit to appoint, and ſhall appoint, or ſhall order and direct the Lord Chamberlain, Lord Steward, or Maſter of the Horſe, to appoint any Groom of the Stole, or other Officer, Attendant, or Servant, to be in Attendance upon His Royal Highneſs as Regent in the perſonal Exerciſe of the Royal Authority, in lieu of any like Officer, Attendant, or Servant, who may have been appointed or ſelected under the Proviſions of this Act, to be in perſonal Attendance upon His Majeſty, all ſuch Officers, Attendants, and Servants, ſo appointed by His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent, ſhall, during the Continuance of His Majeſty's Illneſs, be entitled to the ſame Salaries, Wages, Profits, and all other Emoluments, as the like Officers and Attendants in His Majeſty's Houſehold are by Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom entitled to, and ſhall be paid in the ſame Claſs under the Proviſions of an Act paſſed in the Twenty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for enabling His Majeſty to diſcharge the Debt contracted upon His Civil Liſt Revenues, and for preventing the ſame from being in Arrear for the future, by regulating the Mode of Payments out of the ſaid Revenues, and by ſuppreſſing or regulating certain Offices therein mentioned, which are now paid out of the Revenues of the Civil Liſt.* 22 G. 3. c. 82.

Royal Aſſent to Bills not reſtrained. 51 G. 3. c. 1.

IV. And be it further enacted, That ſo much of an Act of the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, *An Act to provide for the Adminiſtration of the Royal Authority, and for the Care of His Majeſty's Royal Perſon during the Continuance of His Majeſty's Illneſs, and for the Reſumption of the Exerciſe of the Royal Authority by His Majeſty*, as in any Manner reſtrains His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent from giving the Royal Aſſent to any Bill or Bills in Parliament, ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby repealed; and from and after the paſſing of this Act, and during the whole of the Period in which His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent ſhall remain in the perſonal Exerciſe of the Royal Authority, His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent ſhall be entitled to uſe and enjoy, and ſhall have all ſuch and the like Privileges, Immunities, and Exemptions as have been uſed and enjoyed by His Majeſty, and ſhall in all Suits and Actions ſue and be ſued in ſuch and the ſame Manner as His Majeſty can or does ſue and is ſued.

Sum to be paid annually out of Civil Liſt Revenue before all other Pay-

V. And be it further enacted, That during the Continuance of His Majeſty's Indiſpoſition, the Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds ſhall be annually paid out of the Civil Liſt Revenues in Four quarterly Payments, the Firſt Payment to be made on the Fifth Day of *April* next, for the proportionate

ments, for Expence of His Majeſty's Perſonal Houſehold.

proportionate Part of the Quarter between the ſaid Eighteenth Day of *February* and the ſaid Fifth Day of *April*; and ſuch Payments ſhall be made to the Firſt Gentleman of His Majeſty's Bed-Chamber or Groom of the Stole appointed under the Proviſions of this Act to attend His Majeſty's Sacred Perſon, for the defraying the Charges and Expences of His Majeſty, and ſuch Portion of His Houſehold aforeſaid as ſhall be in Attendance upon His Majeſty's Sacred Perſon, and ſhall be made in Preference to all other Payments whatſoever, any Thing in an Act paſſed in the Twenty-ſecond Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, or in any other Act or Acts of Parliament to the contrary notwithſtanding; and ſuch Payments ſhall be made out of any Sums of Money from Time to Time in the Exchequer, applicable to the Purpoſes of His Majeſty's Civil Eſtabliſhment, free and clear of and from all Taxes, Rates, Aſſeſſments, or other Charges, Fees, or Deductions whatſoever, and the Acquittances or Receipts of the ſaid Groom of the Stole ſhall be a good and ſufficient Diſcharge for the Payment thereof, and a ſufficient Authority to the ſeveral and reſpective Officers of the Receipt of the Exchequer for the Payment thereof.

Account of Application of ſuch Sum to be laid before the Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, who may direct the Application of Surplus.

VI. And be it further enacted, That an Account of the Application of the ſaid Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, ſo directed to be iſſued to and appropriated by the Groom of the Stole in Attendance upon His Majeſty's Perſon, ſhall from Time to Time, when the ſame ſhall be required, and, if not required oftener, once in each Year at the leaſt, ſuch Year to commence on the Fifth Day of *April* in each Year, be laid before the Lord High Treaſurer or Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury for the Time being, who, or any Three or more of them, ſhall direct the Application of any Surplus, if any ſhall remain, ſo as that the Surplus ſhall go and be applied to the Civil Liſt Revenues, for the Purpoſes of His Majeſty's Civil Eſtabliſhment.

Sum to be paid to Her Majeſty out of Civil Liſt during His Majeſty's Illneſs, to meet increaſed Expences.

VII. And whereas it is proper that Proviſion ſhould be made to enable Her Majeſty to meet the increaſed Expence to which, in conſequence of His Majeſty's Indiſpoſition, Her Majeſty may be expoſed; be it therefore enacted, That there ſhall be paid to Her Majeſty, during the Continuance of His Majeſty's Indiſpoſition, out of the Revenues, or Sums of Money from Time to Time in the Exchequer applicable to the Purpoſes of His Majeſty's Civil Eſtabliſhment, an annual Sum or yearly Rent of Ten thouſand Pounds, to commence from the Eighteenth Day of *February* One thouſand eight hundred and twelve, and to be paid in quarterly Payments, the firſt Payment to be made on the Fifth Day of *April* next, for the proportionate Part of the Quarter between the ſaid Eighteenth Day of *February* and the ſaid Fifth Day of *April*; and that the ſame ſhall be charged and chargeable upon, and payable and paid out of any Sums of Money in the Exchequer applicable to the Purpoſes of His Majeſty's Civil Eſtabliſhment, next after the ſaid Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, and in preference to all other Payments, and free and clear of and from all Taxes, Rates, Aſſeſſments, or any Charge, Fees, or other Deduction whatever, in like Manner as any Sums now payable out of the Civil Liſt Revenues to Her Majeſty are paid; and the like Acquittances or Receipts as are now given for the Payment of any Money payable to Her Majeſty out of the Civil Liſt Revenues, ſhall be a good and ſufficient Diſcharge for the Payment thereof,

thereof, and a ſufficient Authority to the ſeveral and reſpective Officers of the Receipt of the Exchequer for the Payment of the ſaid Money.

Further Sums to be iſſued from the Privy Purſe for Payments heretofore uſually made by His Majeſty, and Application of Surplus and of Net Surplus of Revenue of the Duchy of Lancaſter.

VIII. And whereas by the ſaid recited Act paſſed in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe was directed, out of the Sixty thouſand Pounds iſſued to him as Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, to apply certain Sums, not exceeding Fifteen thouſand four hundred and ſixty-one Pounds yearly, and Four thouſand two hundred and fifteen Pounds quarterly, in Manner directed by the ſaid Act: And whereas the ſaid reſpective Sums have been found to be inadequate to the Purpoſes for which they were reſpectively directed to be applied, by the Sum of Three thouſand and eighteen Pounds Three Shillings and Five-pence for Annual Penſions and Allowances heretofore accuſtomed to be paid and applied under the immediate Direction and Authority of His Majeſty, and the further Sum of Five thouſand five hundred and eight Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Eleven-pence for occaſional Payments for the laſt Year, making together the Sum of Eight thouſand five hundred twenty-ſix Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Four-pence: And whereas it is neceſſary that Proviſion ſhould be made for the Payment of ſuch Expences and Charges as have been hitherto incurred, and may hereafter be incurred, for Medical Advice, Attendance, and Aſſiſtance, neceſſary for His Majeſty during His Indiſpoſition, and the Expences incident thereto: And whereas it is reaſonable that ſuch Expences ſhould be paid out of the Surplus of the Privy Purſe, after Payment of ſuch Sum as aforeſaid, and out of the Net Surplus of the Revenue of the Duchy of *Lancaſter*, and it is therefore neceſſary that further Proviſion ſhould be made in that Behalf; be it therefore enacted, That the Sum of Sixty thouſand Pounds, iſſued annually to the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, ſhall be iſſued in the ſame Manner as heretofore, and the ſaid Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe ſhall, and he is hereby authorized and directed, out of any Money in his Hands as Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, or ſtanding in his Name in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, under the ſaid recited Act of the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, to iſſue and pay to ſuch Perſon as ſhall be appointed by Her Majeſty to receive the ſame, the ſaid Sum of Eight thouſand five hundred twenty-ſix Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Four-pence, in Addition to the Annual and Quarterly Sums iſſued under the ſaid Act as aforeſaid, to make up the Inadequacy of the ſaid Sums, and be applied, paid, and accounted for, in like Manner as required by the ſaid Act, as to ſuch Quarterly Sums; and the ſaid Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe ſhall, and he is hereby authorized and directed, during the Continuance of His Majeſty's Indiſpoſition, out of the Monies iſſued to him, to make ſuch Payments, and to continue to iſſue and apply a Sum not exceeding in the Whole in the Year the ſaid Sum of Fifteen thouſand four hundred and ſixty one Pounds, as directed by the ſaid Act; and alſo any Sums not exceeding Four thouſand nine hundred and ſeventy Pounds in each Quarter, in lieu and inſtead of the Sum of Four thouſand two hundred and Fifteen Pounds in the ſaid Act ſpecified, in Manner and for the Purpoſes by the ſaid Act directed, as to the ſaid annual Sum of Fifteen thouſand four hundred and ſixty-one Pounds, and quarterly Sum of Four thouſand two hundred and fifteen Pounds reſpectively; and after applying ſuch Sums in each Year or Quarter as aforeſaid, the Remainder of the Sum of Sixty thouſand Pounds iſſued to the Keeper

of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, together with ſuch Sum as ſhall be required, not exceeding Ten thouſand Pounds in each Year, from the net Surplus of the Revenues of the Duchy and County Palatine of *Lancaſter*, ſhall from Time to Time be applied in the Payment of all ſuch Charges and Expences as ſhall ariſe from the Medical Advice, Attendance, and Aſſiſtance, which may be required for His Majeſty during the Continuance of His Indiſpoſition, and any incidental Expences relating thereto; and the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe ſhall, after Payment of ſuch Sum of Eight thouſand five hundred and twenty-ſix Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Four-pence aforeſaid, to make up the Inadequacy of ſuch annual and quarterly Sums as aforeſaid, apply the Remainder of all Monies which ſhall be in his Hands as Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, and the Remainder of all Monies which ſhall be ſtanding in his Name in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, purſuant to the Directions of the ſaid recited Act of the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, and alſo of the Produce of ſuch Public Funds or Government Securities as ſhall have been purchaſed with the Remainder of the ſaid Sum of Sixty thouſand Pounds, and net Surplus of the Revenues of the Duchy and County Palatine of *Lancaſter*, under the Proviſions of the ſaid Act, in the Payment of ſuch Expences and Charges as ſhall have already accrued in reſpect of ſuch Medical Advice and Aſſiſtance, and incidental Expences as aforeſaid; and after applying ſuch Sums, and making ſuch Payments as aforeſaid, the Surplus (if any) in each Year ſhall be paid to the Commiſſioners appointed under this Act for the Care of His Majeſty's Real and Perſonal Eſtate, to be by them applied as the other Produce of His Majeſty's Perſonal Eſtate is directed to be applied: Provided always, that if in any ſucceeding Year the Surplus of ſuch Privy Purſe, and of the Revenues of the Duchy of *Lancaſter*, ſhall not be ſufficient to pay ſuch Expences as aforeſaid, the Keeper of the Privy Purſe ſhall be entitled to demand, and is hereby authorized and required to demand, and the ſaid Commiſſioners are hereby directed to repay, any Sum, or any ſuch Part or Proportion of any Sums which ſhall have been ſo paid over in any prior Year out of any Perſonal Eſtate of His Majeſty under their Care and Direction, as may be ſufficient to pay ſuch Expences; and the Sums ſo repaid ſhall be applied in the Repayment of ſuch Expences as aforeſaid.

Authorities for Payment of Money out of the Privy Purſe for Medical Advice, &c.

IX. And be it further enacted, That the Authorities for the Payment of the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe of ſuch Sum of Eight thouſand five hundred and twenty-ſix Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Four-pence as aforeſaid, and of ſuch Quarterly Sums aforeſaid, ſhall be given to the Perſon appointed by Her Majeſty to receive and apply the ſame, under the Hand of Her Majeſty; and the Authority for the Payment of ſuch Expences and Charges as have already accrued in reſpect of ſuch Medical Advice, Aſſiſtance, and incidental Expences as aforeſaid, ſhall be the Warrant of Her Moſt Excellent Majeſty the Queen, and His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent, counterſigned by any Three or more of the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treaſurer for the Time being; and of ſuch Expences as may hereafter ariſe in reſpect of ſuch Medical Advice and Aſſiſtance and incidental Expences as aforeſaid, ſhall be the Warrant of Her Moſt Excellent Majeſty the Queen, counterſigned by the Firſt Gentleman of His Majeſty's Bed-Chamber, commonly called the Groom of the Stole; and the Keeper of His Majeſty's

Majeſty's Privy Purſe ſhall, within Three Months after the paſſing of this Act, produce to the ſaid Commiſſioners an Account of the Perſons to whom, and the ſeveral Proportions in which, and the Times when, and the Manner in which the ſaid Annual Sum of Fifteen thouſand four hundred and ſixty-one Pounds ſhall have been heretofore uſually paid, iſſued, and applied, under the Authority and Directions of His Majeſty, together with the Receipts and other Diſcharges of the Perſons to whom ſuch Payments have been made in the laſt Year; and ſhall alſo produce to the ſaid Commiſſioners the Warrant ſo counterſigned as aforeſaid, for Payment of ſuch Charges and Expences as have already accrued for Medical Advice, Aſſiſtance, and Attendance upon His Majeſty, together with the Receipts or Diſcharges of the Perſons to whom Payments ſhall have been made under ſuch Warrant; and ſhall alſo annually, between the Fifth Day of *January* and the Fifth Day of *April* in each Year, produce to the ſaid Commiſſioners the Receipts or other Diſcharges of the Perſons contained in ſuch Account as aforeſaid, to whom he ſhall continue to make ſuch Annual Payments as aforeſaid; and ſhall produce the Authorities under the Hand of Her Majeſty, for the Iſſue of ſuch Quarterly Sums as aforeſaid, together with the Receipts of the Perſon to whom the Money was iſſued under ſuch Authorities; and the Warrants ſo counterſigned as aforeſaid, for the Payment of the Expences and Charges hereafter to ariſe in relation to Medical Advice and Aſſiſtance required by His Majeſty as aforeſaid, and the Receipts or other Diſcharges of the ſeveral Perſons to whom Payments are made under ſuch Warrants, and ſuch Receipts, Diſcharges, Authorities, and Warrants as aforeſaid, ſhall reſpectively be a full and complete Diſcharge to the ſaid Keeper of the Privy Purſe for all ſuch Sums ſo iſſued by him out of Monies in his Hands as Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe; and the Perſon appointed by Her Majeſty to receive and apply ſuch Sum of Eight thouſand five hundred and twenty-ſix Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Four-pence as aforeſaid under this Act, and ſuch Quarterly Sums as aforeſaid, ſhall, within One Month after the Iſſue of ſuch Sum of Eight thouſand five hundred and twenty-ſix Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Four-pence, as to ſuch Sum, and within One Month after the Time of any Iſſue of any future Quarterly Sums under this Act, deliver to the ſaid Commiſſioners a juſt and true Account of the Application of all ſuch Sums reſpectively, and produce proper Acquittances, Diſcharges, and Vouchers for ſuch Payments; and the ſaid Commiſſioners are hereby authorized and required to examine and audit the ſame, and for that Purpoſe to call for all Vouchers and other Documents, and to examine all Perſons whom they ſhall deem it neceſſary to examine, for the Purpoſe of aſcertaining the Accuracy of ſuch Accounts upon Oath (which Oath any One of them is hereby authorized to adminiſter), or otherwiſe to aſcertain the due Application of ſuch Money, in ſuch Manner as they ſhall deem neceſſary.

New Penſions payable out of the Privy Purſe to be authorized by Her Majeſty.

X. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for Her Majeſty, from Time to Time, to order and direct, and give Authority under Her Majeſty's Hand as aforeſaid, for the Payment of any new Penſions or Allowances, to be payable out of the Money iſſued to the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, to any old Servants of His Majeſty, or the Widows or Children, or other Relations of any old Servants, who may be deemed by Her Majeſty fit Objects of His Majeſty's charitable Bounty, ſo as that ſuch Penſions and Allowances ſhall not, in Addition to the Sums which ſhall continue to be applied under the Authority of Her Majeſty in each Quarter,

Quarter, under the Provisions of the said recited Act of the last Session of Parliament, and this Act, exceed in the Whole the said Quarterly Sum of Four thousand nine hundred and seventy Pounds aforesaid, and so also as that the new Pensions and Allowances, granted or ordered in any One Year, shall not exceed the Sum of One thousand Pounds, and that no one Pension or Allowance shall exceed the Annual Sum of Three hundred Pounds; and such new Pensions and Allowances shall be paid under the same Authority, and at the same Time, and together with the Sums issued quarterly, to the Person appointed by Her Majesty under this Act, and the due Application of the Money issued for the Payment thereof, accounted for in like Manner to the said Commissioners as directed by this Act, as to such Quarterly Sums as aforesaid.

Her Majesty and the Regent to appoint Commissioners for the Care of His Majesty's Real and Personal Estate, under 39 & 40 G. 3. c. 88.

XI. And whereas Provision was made in the said recited Act of the last Session of Parliament, for the Care of His Majesty's Real and Personal Estate and Property, under an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty: And whereas the Continuance of His Majesty's Indisposition makes it necessary that further Provision should be made in that Behalf; be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, and for His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, by any Instrument in Writing under their Hands and Seals, to appoint Three Persons to be Commissioners, one of whom shall be a Master of His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, who shall act without any Salary, Fee, or Reward, for the Protection, Care, and Management of His Majesty's Property during His Indisposition, and such Persons to remove, and from Time to Time in like Manner to appoint others to supply any Vacancies by Death, Removal, or Resignation, of any of the said Commissioners.

Commissioners may examine upon Oath.

XII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners to call before them and examine upon Oath (which Oath any One of such Commissioners is hereby authorized to administer) all Trustees, Solicitors, Attornies, Managers, Agents, Receivers, or other Persons whatever, who have had, or have, or may hereafter have in any Manner the Custody, Care, or Management of, or Order, Direction, or Controul over, or who may be Trustees of and for, or who have been or are in any Manner concerned in any Matter or Thing relating to any Real or Personal Estate or Property belonging to His Majesty, or the Receipt of any Rents, Issues, or Profits, or Dividends, Interest, or Sums of Money arising or accruing therefrom respectively, and to demand Accounts in Writing of all such Real or Personal Estate, Rents, Issues, Profits, Dividends, Interest, or Sums of Money, and of all such Particulars relating to any such Property or Produce thereof as may be necessary to enable the said Commissioners to ascertain the Amount and State, and to direct the future Custody, Care, Direction, Management, and Application thereof; and the said Commissioners shall keep accurate Accounts of all their Proceedings, and from Time to Time lay the same, or any such Abstracts thereof as shall be required, before Her Majesty and the Prince Regent, or either of them, requiring the same; and it shall be lawful for such Commissioners to do, or require to be done, all such Acts, Matters and Things, as may in their Judgment be necessary or expedient for the regulating the future Custody, Care, Direction, and Management, and for the Improvement of any such Real or Personal Estate, and for that Purpose to

appoint any Truſtee or Truſtees of any Real or Perſonal Eſtate in lieu of any Truſtee or Truſtees who ſhall have died or declined to act, or ſhall die or decline to act, and alſo any Steward or Stewards, or Bailiff or Bailiffs, or other Officer or Officers of Royalties or Manors (ſuch Appointment to be in all Caſes ſubmitted to and ſubject to the Approval of Her moſt Excellent Majeſty and His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent); and it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners to apply any Rents, Iſſues, Profits, Produce, or Dividends, Intereſt or other Sums of Money, making any Part of His Majeſty's Perſonal Eſtate, under the ſaid recited Act of the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years aforeſaid, in the Improvement of any Real Eſtate of His Majeſty, or in the Payment of any Charges, Debts, Mortgages, or other Incumbrances whatever, either in the Whole or in Part, or any Intereſt thereof now due, or which may become due thereon, and all other juſt and legal Claims whatever, affecting any Real or Perſonal Eſtate or Property of His Majeſty, or to apply any ſuch Eſtate or Property, or Produce thereof, in any other Manner which may appear to them to be moſt beneficial for the ſaid Real and Perſonal Eſtate.

Commiſſioners may be ſworn.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That every Commiſſioner ſo appointed ſhall, before he enters upon the Execution of the Duties of his Commiſſion, take an Oath before the Barons of the Court of Exchequer, or one of them, in the Form following:

'I *A. B.* do ſwear, That I will faithfully execute the Truſt repoſed in me, and keep ſecret all the Proceedings and Accounts of ſuch Truſt, unleſs I ſhall be required to diſcloſe the ſame, or any Part thereof, by the Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty, or His Royal Highneſs the Regent, or unleſs any ſuch Diſcloſure ſhall be neceſſary in any Courſe of Law or otherwiſe, for the Care and Protection of His Majeſty's Property, in the Execution of my Truſt.

'So help me GOD.'

Commiſſioners may ſue or defend in Law or Equity, and in the Name of His Majeſty, or of any Truſtee or their own Names.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners to commence, proſecute, or defend any Suit, Action, Information, or other legal Proceeding, or file any Bill or Bills in Equity, or proceed in any Manner in Law or Equity, for the Recovery, Diſcovery, or Protection of any Property, Real or Perſonal, of His Majeſty, and for the Recovery of any Damages for any Injury done thereto, and for that Purpoſe to uſe the Name of His Majeſty, or of any Truſtee or Truſtees of His Majeſty, or their own Names, as they ſhall deem moſt expedient; and no Suit ſhall abate by the Death of any ſuch Truſtee or Truſtees, or Commiſſioner or Commiſſioners; and all Coſts, Charges, and Expences incurred, ſhall be paid out of the Property under their Care and Management.

Not to extend to certain Revenues of His Majeſty.

XV. Provided always, That nothing in the ſaid recited Act of the laſt Seſſion of Parliament contained in relation to any Real or Perſonal Eſtate or Property of His Majeſty under the ſaid recited Act of the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years aforeſaid, or contained in this Act in relation to any ſuch Real or Perſonal Eſtate, or to any Powers or Proviſions by this Act given to the Commiſſioners appointed under this Act, for the Protection, Care, and Management of His Majeſty's Property, ſhall be deemed or conſtrued

to extend to any Revenues or Sums of Money belonging or accruing to His Majeſty, heretofore received, or due or payable, or which may hereafter become due and payable to His Majeſty, which have uſually been iſſued, applied, or diſpoſed of under any Royal Sign Manual Warrant, counterſigned by the Lord High Treaſurer, or Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, or by any Authority or Direction of the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, or to authorize or empower the ſaid Commiſſioners in any Manner to interfere with any ſuch Revenues or Sums of Money.

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