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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. LXXXIII.

An Act for the more effectual Regulation of the Receipts and Iſſues of His Majeſty's Treaſury, and for ſecuring the due Application of Money coming into the Hands of the Public Accountants, in *Ireland*. [1ſt *July* 1814.]

WHEREAS an Act was made in the Parliament of *Ireland*, in the Thirty-fifth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled *An Act for the better Regulation of the Receipts and Iſſues of His Majeſty's Treaſury; and for repealing an Act of Parliament paſſed in the Tenth Year of* Henry *the Seventh, intituled 'An Act authorizing the Treaſurer to 'make all Officers as the Treaſurer of* England *doth :'* And whereas the Proviſions contained in the ſaid recited Act have not been found fully ſufficient with reſpect to the Safety of Public Money, in the Mode of its Receipt into the Exchequer of *Ireland*, or with reſpect to the Security and due Application of ſuch Money after being iſſued from the ſaid Exchequer to Public Accountants; 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 Commencement of this Act it ſhall not be lawful for any Receiver General of any Aids, Revenues, or Taxes, collected in *Ireland*, nor for any other Public

No Payments ſhall in future be made to the Teller of the

Exchequer, or at the Counter there.

Public Accountant or Receiver of any Public Money whatever, to make any Payments of any ſuch Aids, Revenues, Taxes or Public Money, into the Hands of the Teller of His Majeſty's Exchequer of *Ireland*, or at the Counter of the ſaid Exchequer, in Manner heretofore uſed or accuſtomed; but all ſuch Payments ſhall be made into the Bank of *Ireland*, to the Credit of the ſaid Teller of the Exchequer, in Manner herein-after directed; and no ſuch Receiver General or other Perſon ſhall be liable to any Penalty or Forfeiture whatever, for refuſing or neglecting to pay any Sum or Sums whatever to the ſaid Teller of the Exchequer, or at the Counter of the ſaid Exchequer; provided ſuch Receiver General or other Perſon ſhall pay ſuch Sum into the ſaid Bank of *Ireland*, in Manner herein-after directed; any Thing in the ſaid recited Act of the Thirty-fifth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, or any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom whatever, to the contrary in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

All Public Monies payable unto the Exchequer, ſhall be paid into the Bank of Ireland to the Account of the Teller of the Exchequer, who ſhall give Acquittances for the ſame, on Production of a Certificate from the Bank.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, all Monies whatever, ariſing from any Duties, Aids, Revenues or Taxes, or which may or ought to be placed to the Credit of the Public Revenue of *Ireland*, in the Account of the Conſolidated Fund of *Ireland*, and which may at any Time become payable into the Exchequer of *Ireland*, by any Receiver General or any Public Accountant, or other Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, for or on account of any Aids, Revenues, Taxes, Fines or Rents, or for or upon any other Account whatever, ſhall, by every ſuch Receiver General or other Public Accountant, or Perſon required by Law to pay the ſame, be paid into the Bank of *Ireland*, to the Credit and Account of the Teller of His Majeſty's Exchequer of *Ireland*; of all which Payments Certificates or accountable Receipts ſhall be granted to the Parties making ſuch Payments, by the Caſhier or Caſhiers of the ſaid Bank of *Ireland*, in ſuch Form as the Governor of the ſaid Bank ſhall think fit, or as may from Time to Time be directed by the Lord High Treaſurer of *Ireland*, or by the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treaſurer, or any Three of them for the Time being; and upon the Production of any ſuch Certificate or accountable Receipt to the Teller of the ſaid Exchequer, or at the Counter there, the ſaid Teller of the Exchequer ſhall forthwith give and deliver to the Party producing any ſuch Certificate or accountable Receipt, an Exchequer Receipt or Acquittance for the Monies mentioned in ſuch Certificate or accountable Receipt of the Caſhier or Caſhiers of the ſaid Bank; which ſaid Exchequer Receipt or Acquittance ſhall be given in ſuch Form, and ſhall ſpecify all ſuch Particulars, and ſhall be recorded and counterſigned in the Office of the Auditor General and Clerk of the Pells of the ſaid Exchequer, in ſuch Manner as is required by the ſaid recited Act of the Thirty-fifth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, with reſpect to Receipts by the ſaid Act required to be given by the ſaid Teller of the Exchequer, for Monies received by him according to the Directions of the ſaid recited Act.

Exchequer Receipt no Acquittance, unleſs Money is actually paid into the Bank.

III. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, no Exchequer Receipt or Acquittance whatever ſhall be deemed, taken, or conſidered as a ſufficient Diſcharge or Quietus to any Receiver General or other Public Accountant whatever for any Monies chargeable to the Account of ſuch General Receiver or other Public Accountant, unleſs Payment of the full Amount of all Monies mentioned in ſuch Exchequer

Exchequer Receipt or Acquittance ſhall have been actually made into the Bank of *Ireland*, in purſuance of the Directions of this Act; any Thing in the ſaid recited Act of the Thirty-fifth Year, or any other Act or Acts, or any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom whatever, to the contrary in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

No Money ſhall be paid by the Teller, otherwiſe than by Draft on the Bank, counterſigned by the Clerk of the Pells.

IV. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, no Payment ſhall be made by the Teller of the Exchequer in Money at the Counter of the ſaid Exchequer, but that all Payments and Iſſues of any Public Monies out of the ſaid Exchequer, for any Service whatſoever, ſhall be made by Drafts drawn on the Governor and Company of the ſaid Bank of *Ireland*, by the Teller of the ſaid Exchequer; and in each and every ſuch Draft, the particular Head of Service for which the ſame is drawn ſhall be ſpecified, and each and every ſuch Draft ſhall be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Pells of the ſaid Exchequer, who ſhall alſo counterſign the ſame; and no Draft of the Teller of the ſaid Exchequer, or his Deputy, ſhall be deemed a ſufficient Voucher, Authority or Diſcharge to the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of *Ireland*, unleſs the ſame ſhall be drawn and recorded and counterſigned in the Manner aforeſaid, and ſhall be actually paid by the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of *Ireland*.

All Monies iſſued from the Treaſury to, or otherwiſe received by Public Accountants, ſhall be placed in the Bank, and drawn from thence by Drafts, ſtating the Nature of the Service to which they are to be applied.

V. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, all Iſſues, Advances or Payments whatſoever, to be made out of the Exchequer of *Ireland* to all Public Accountants whatever, the principal Seat of whoſe Department or Buſineſs may be within the City or County of the City or County of *Dublin*, ſhall be iſſued and made to the Governor and Company of the Bank of *Ireland*, by Drafts from the Teller of the ſaid Exchequer, counterſigned by the Clerk of the Pells as aforeſaid, in Favour and on Account of ſuch Public Accountants, and that by virtue of ſuch Drafts, the Money mentioned therein ſhall be placed to the Account of ſuch Public Accountants reſpectively, in the Books of the Bank of *Ireland*; and that all ſuch Money ſo placed to the Account of ſuch Public Accountants reſpectively in the Books of the ſaid Bank of *Ireland*, ſhall remain in the ſaid Bank of *Ireland*; until drawn out in Manner herein-after mentioned; and that all other Monies whatever which ſhall come to the Hands of all or any Public Accountants, ſhall be paid immediately on Receipt thereof, by ſuch Public Accountants, into the ſaid Bank of *Ireland*, and be placed in the Books of the ſaid Bank to the Account of ſuch Public Accountants reſpectively, and ſhall not at any Time remain in the Hands of ſuch Public Accountants; and that no Money ſhall at any Time be drawn out of the Money ſo placed to the Account of any ſuch Public Accountant in the Books of the Bank of *Ireland*, nor ſhall any Money be paid or applied by any ſuch Accountant, in any Manner whatever, except by Drafts drawn by ſuch Public Accountants reſpectively upon the ſaid Governor and Company of the ſaid Bank of *Ireland*, for the ſeveral Services required, according to the Office and Duty of ſuch Public Accountants reſpectively, and ſigned by ſuch Public Accountants reſpectively; and in every ſuch Draft by any ſuch Public Accountant, the Nature of the Service and the particular Head thereof to which the Sum therein mentioned is to be applied, or for which it is ordered or intended, ſhall be ſpecified and ſet forth; and no Draft of any ſuch Public Accountant ſhall be deemed a ſufficient Voucher,

Authority or Diſcharge to the ſaid Governor and Company, unleſs the ſame ſhall ſo ſpecify the Service for which it is drawn, and ſhall be actually paid by the ſaid Governor and Company; and the Monies ſo to be iſſued from the ſaid Exchequer to the ſaid Governor and Company, on Account of the ſaid Public Accountants reſpectively, or any of them, ſhall not be paid out of the ſaid Bank unleſs in purſuance of ſuch Drafts as aforeſaid, ſo ſpecifying the Service to which the Sums therein mentioned are to be applied; and which Drafts ſo drawn, and none other, ſhall be ſufficient Authority to the Governor and Company of the ſaid Bank to pay ſuch Money to the Perſons mentioned in ſuch Drafts, or to the Bearers of ſuch Drafts reſpectively.

Penalty on Perſons drawing Drafts, or applying Public Money contrary to this Act.

VI. And be it further enacted, That if at any Time after the Commencement of this Act, any Teller of the Exchequer of *Ireland*, or any Public Accountant, or other Perſon or Perſons whomſoever, on whoſe Account any Money ſhall be paid or placed in the Bank of *Ireland* as aforeſaid, ſhall make or draw any Draft or Drafts for the Payment or Application of any Part of the Money ſo placed to the Account of ſuch Teller, Public Accountant, or other Perſon or Perſons, to or for any other Purpoſe than the ſame ought by Law to be paid and applied, or without ſpecifying in the ſaid Draft the particular Head of Service to which the Money mentioned therein is to be applied, in Manner aforeſaid, or in any Manner contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act; or if any ſuch Teller or Public Accountant ſhall in any Manner pay or apply any Public Monies in his Hands, or for which he is accountable, to any Purpoſes other than ſuch as the ſame ought by Law to be paid and applied to; then and in every ſuch Caſe, every ſuch Teller, Public Accountant, or other Perſon ſo offending, and being duly convicted thereof by Verdict, on Information or other Proceeding for the ſame, by or in the Name of His Majeſty's Attorney General for *Ireland*, in the Court of Exchequer at *Dublin*, ſhall forfeit and pay to His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, a Fine or Sum equal to Twice the Amount of the Sum ſpecified in any ſuch Draft or Drafts, or ſo paid or applied as aforeſaid contrary to the Directions of this Act, with full Coſts of Suit, together with a further Sum by way of Intereſt thereon, after the Rate of Twelve Pounds for every One hundred Pounds by the Year, from the Time of the Judgement given or entered on any ſuch Verdict, until the ſame ſhall be paid into the Bank of *Ireland*; and the Court by or before whom ſuch Verdict or Judgement ſhall be given, ſhall and is hereby authorized and required to commit ſuch Offender to any of His Majeſty's Gaols, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize until ſuch Fine and Intereſt thereon as aforeſaid ſhall be fully paid, ſatisfied and diſcharged.

Teller and Public Accountants ſhall not be anſwerable for Money; but the Bank only.

VII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, the Teller of the Exchequer of *Ireland*, and all Public Accountants and other Perſons as aforeſaid, obſerving the Rules and Regulations by this Act preſcribed, ſhall not be anſwerable for any Money which any ſuch Teller, Public Accountant, or other Perſon as aforeſaid ſhall not actually receive, or which ſhall not actually be drawn for by him as aforeſaid; and the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of *Ireland* ſhall be anſwerable for all the Monies which ſhall be actually received by them for the ſeveral Purpoſes aforeſaid, or any of them.

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On Death or Removal of any Teller or Public Accountant, the Balance in the Bank ſhall veſt in his Succeſſors.

IX. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, the Fees of Pells and Poundage chargeable on certain Iſſues from the Exchequer of *Ireland*, ſhall not at any Time be drawn out of the Bank of *Ireland*, by or on behalf of the Teller of the ſaid Exchequer, but ſhall be carried to the Credit of the Public, in the Account of the Conſolidated Fund of *Ireland*, by the Auditor General and Clerk of the Pells on the *Saturday* in every Week, and on ſuch other Days and Times as the Account of the Teller ſhall be made up from Time to Time; and that the Fees called Treaſury Fees ſhall no longer be carried to the Account of the Fee Fund, but ſhall in like Manner be carried to the Credit of the Public, by the Auditor General and Clerk of the Pells.

Pells and Poundage and Treaſury Fees carried to the Public Account.

X. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, the Fees called Hoſpital Fees ſhall be carried to the Credit of the Public in the Account of the Conſolidated Fund of *Ireland*, by the Auditor General and Clerk of the Pells, on the *Saturday* in every Week, and on ſuch other Days and Times as the Account of the Teller ſhall be made up from Time to Time; and that it ſhall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, by his or their Warrant, to direct the Lord High Treaſurer, or Commiſſioners for executing the ſaid Office, or any Three of them, at the End of every Quarter of a Year ending on the Tenth Day of *October*, Fifth Day of *January*, Fifth Day of *April*, and Fifth Day of *July*, in every Year, to iſſue out of the ſaid Conſolidated Fund the full Amount of ſuch Hoſpital Fees as may have ſo been brought to the Credit of the Public, in the Quarter of the Year preceding ſuch Days reſpectively, to be applied to the uſe of the ſaid Hoſpital at *Kilmainham*, in ſuch Manner as the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland* ſhall by ſuch Warrant order and direct.

Hoſpital Fees to be carried to Conſolidated Fund, and applied to Kilmainham Hoſpital.

XI. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Lord High Treaſurer of *Ireland*, or for the Commiſſioners for executing the ſaid Office of Lord

Treaſury may regulate the Iſſue and Expenditure

of Public Money.

High Treaſurer, or any Three of them, and he and they is and are hereby fully authorized and empowered to make, frame, iſſue and give all ſuch Rules, Orders, Regulations, and Directions, as to ſuch Lord High Treaſurer, or the Commiſſioners for executing the ſaid Office, or any Three of them, ſhall ſeem fitting, expedient and neceſſary; to all and every Officers, Accountants, and other Perſon and Perſons acting in the Receipt and Iſſue of any Public Monies in *Ireland* for the proper and legal Conduct and Management of ſuch Receipt and Iſſue, and for the Conduct of the ſeveral Officers, Accountants and Perſons concerned in the ſame; and that any Officer, Accountant, or other Perſon or Perſons who ſhall refuſe or neglect to obey, or ſhall infringe or violate, or in any Way act contrary to or againſt any Rule, Order, Regulation or Direction, which at any Time before the Commencement of this Act ſhall have been, or which at any Time after the Commencement of this Act ſhall be made, framed, iſſued or given, by the ſaid Lord High Treaſurer of *Ireland*, or by the Commiſſioners for executing the ſaid Office of Lord High Treaſurer, for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, ſhall forfeit the Sum of Five hundred Pounds to His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, to be recovered with full Coſts of Suit, by Information or other Proceeding, in the Court of Exchequer at *Dublin*, by or in the Name of His Majeſty's Attorney General of *Ireland*; and every ſuch Perſon, being convicted in ſuch Information, ſhall for ever thereafter be and become incapable of holding any Office, Civil or Military, under His Majeſty, His Heirs or Succeſſors, or by or under any Authority derived from His Majeſty, His Heirs or Succeſſors.

Salaries now charged on the Fee Fund of the Treaſury, ſhall hereafter be chargeable on the Conſolidated Fund.

XII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act, it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Lord High Treaſurer of *Ireland*, or for the Commiſſioners for executing the ſaid Office of Lord High Treaſurer, or any Three of them, from Time to Time to iſſue their Warrant or Warrants for charging upon the ſaid Conſolidated Fund of *Ireland*, and for iſſuing thereout, all Salaries and Allowances whatever, of the nature of the Salaries and Allowances now charged or chargeable upon the Fee Fund and Incidents of the Treaſury of *Ireland*; and the ſame ſhall be charged and iſſued accordingly, without any further or other Warrant or Authority to be had in that Behalf.

Certain Officers to hold only One Office in the Exchequer.

XIII. And whereas it is expedient that in the ſeveral Offices for the Controul, Examination and Cheque on the Teller of the Exchequer, all Perſons concerned in ſuch Control, Examination and Cheque, ſhould be reſpectively confined to the Duty of one Office or Place only; be it therefore enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act it ſhall not be lawful for any Officer or Perſon belonging to or employed in any of the ſeveral Offices of the Lord High Treaſurer or Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treaſurer of *Ireland*, or of the Auditor General, or of the Clerk of the Pells, or of the Teller of the Exchequer, to hold any Office or Place in or to be employed in more than One of the ſaid Offices at one and the ſame Time; and that no Officer or Perſon holding any Place or Employment in any One of the ſaid Offices ſhall be capable of holding or taking any Office, Place or Employment, in any other of the ſaid Offices, until he ſhall have reſigned the Office or Place or Employment ſo firſt held by him; and that if any ſuch Officer or other Perſon ſhall take or hold any Office, Place or Employment contrary to the Proviſions of this Act, ſuch Officer or other

Penalty 500l.

Perſon ſhall forfeit the Sum of Five hundred Pounds to His Majeſty, His Heirs or Succeſſors, to be recovered with full Coſts of Suit, by or in the Name of His Majeſty's Attorney General for *Ireland* in the Court of Exchequer at *Dublin*; and every Perſon who ſhall be convicted in ſuch Penalty ſhall, from and after ſuch Verdict and Judgement thereon, be rendered incapable of holding any Office, Place or Employment, Civil or Military, under His Majeſty, His Heirs or Succeſſors, or under any Authority derived from His Majeſty, His Heirs or Succeſſors.

Account of Eſtabliſhment to be annually laid before Parliament.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That an Account of the Eſtabliſhment of the Treaſury and Exchequer of *Ireland*, and the Officers and Clerks of the ſame, with the Amount of all Salaries and Allowances payable to them, or any of them, and of all Charges and Expences incident to the ſaid Treaſury and Exchequer, and of the Increaſe or Diminution of the Amount of ſuch Salaries, Allowances and Expences, and the Cauſes and Reaſons of ſuch Increaſe or Diminution, ſhall be yearly laid before Parliament, by the Secretary of the ſaid Treaſury, within Six Weeks after the Firſt Meeting of Parliament in each and every Year.

Diſcharging a certain Sum in the Account of the Teller, not applicable to Public Service.

XV. And whereas there appears now ſtanding in the Account of the Teller of the ſaid Exchequer of *Ireland*, the Sum of Nine thouſand and ſeventy-one Pounds Ten Shillings and Ten-pence *Iriſh* Currency, being Charges continued from the Account of a former Teller or former Tellers of the Exchequer, but which is not recoverable or applicable to the Uſe of the Public; and it is expedient that the ſaid Account of the ſaid Teller ſhould be diſcharged and exonerated from the ſaid Sum; be it therefore enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the Lord High Treaſurer, or the Commiſſioners for executing the ſaid Office, or any Three of them, by Warrant under his or their Hands and Seals, to direct the Auditor General and Clerk of the Pells of the ſaid Exchequer to diſcharge and exonerate the Account of the Teller of the Exchequer from the ſaid Sum of Nine thouſand and ſeventy-one Pounds Ten Shillings and Ten-pence; and the ſame ſhall be thereupon fully acquitted, exonerated and diſcharged from the ſame, by the ſaid Auditor General and Clerk of the Pells accordingly.

Commencement of the Act.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall commence and take Effect from and after the Expiration of One Calendar Month next after the paſſing thereof.

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