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An Act to regulate certain Offices, and aboliſh others, in His Majeſty's Mints in *England* and *Scotland* reſpectively. [7th *July* 1817.]

WHEREAS the Duties of the Office of Warden of His Majeſty's Mint in *England* have been heretofore uſually executed by Deputy; and ſeveral of the ſaid Duties have, under an Order of His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent in Council, and certain Indentures of the Mint made in purſuance thereof, been transferred to the Maſter and other Officers of the Mint: And whereas an Act paſſed in the Fourteenth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled *An Act for regulating and aſcertaining the Weights to be made uſe of in weighing the Gold and Silver Coin of this Kingdom:* And whereas the Duties required by the ſaid Act to be performed by the ſaid Warden may be executed by the Maſter of the Mint or his Deputy; and it is therefore expedient that the ſaid Office of Warden ſhould, upon the Termination of the preſent exiſting Intereſt therein, be aboliſhed: May it therefore pleaſe Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That the ſaid Office of Warden of His Majeſty's Mint in *England* ſhall, upon the Termination of the preſent exiſting Intereſt therein, be wholly aboliſhed; and that, from and after the paſſing of this Act, all the Duties required to be performed by the ſaid Warden, under or by virtue of the ſaid recited Act of the Fourteenth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, ſhall be performed by His Majeſty's Maſter and Worker of the ſaid Mint, or

14 G. 3. c. 92.

Office of Warden of the Mint ſhall be aboliſhed after Termination of exiſting Intereſt.

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Duties shall be performed by the Master without any additional Salary.

his Deputy; and for that Purpose all the Powers and Authorities belonging or appertaining to the said Office of Warden of the Mint, whether such Powers and Authorities, or any of them, are required to be executed and performed by the said Warden alone, or by the said Warden in conjunction with the said Master, or with any other Person or Persons whomsoever, shall immediately from and after the passing of this Act become and be and remain vested in His Majesty's Master and Worker of the said Mint for the Time being, without any special or other Appointment for that Purpose, or in that Behalf; and every such Master and Worker for the Time being, or his Deputy, shall and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and required to perform all such Duties, and for that Purpose to use and exercise all such Powers and Authorities, and to do and perform all such Acts, Matters, and Things as may be necessary in that Behalf, as the said Warden might have done either in conjunction with or separately from the said Master or any other Person or Persons: Provided that such Master and Worker, or his Deputy, shall not be entitled to, nor shall have, take, or receive any additional Salary, Fee, or Emolument whatever, for executing the Duties of the said Warden, or any other than such as the said Master and Worker and his Deputy is and are entitled unto by virtue of their said Offices of Master and Worker, or Deputy Master and Worker respectively.

Office of Comptroller of the Mint shall hereafter be executed in Person, and not by Deputy.

II. And whereas it is expedient that, after the Termination of the existing Interest in the Office of Comptroller of the Mint in *England*, the Duties thereof should be executed in Person, and not by Deputy; be it therefore enacted, That from and after the Termination of the present existing Interest in the said Office of Comptroller of His Majesty's Mint in *England*, and when the said Office shall become vacant by the Termination of such existing Interest, the Duties of the said Office shall be performed in Person by the Officer to be appointed to such Office of Comptroller; and it shall not be lawful for any such Comptroller to appoint any Deputy or other Person to execute the Duties of the said Office; and that from and after the passing of this Act the said Office of Comptroller shall not be granted to any Person or Persons whomsoever, with Power to execute the same by Deputy; any Law, Usage, or Custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Salary of 250l. allowed by 14 G. 3. c. 92. to Stamper of Weights, shall be abolished, and such future Officer shall only take the Fees allowed by 15 G. 3. c. 30.

III. And whereas it was enacted by the said recited Act of the Fourteenth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, that Duplicates or Copies of the Standard Weights of the Gold and Silver Coin of the Realm should be lodged in the Custody of an Officer to be appointed by His Majesty, with a Salary not exceeding the yearly Sum of Two hundred and fifty Pounds, to be paid out of the Monies arising by the Coinage Duties, and that all Weights to be made use of for weighing the said Gold and Silver Coin should be stamped by the said Officer: And whereas by an Act made in the Fifteenth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for allowing the Officer appointed to mark or stamp the Weights to be made use of in weighing the Gold and Silver Coin of this Kingdom, in pursuance of an Act made in the last Session of Parliament, to take certain Fees in the Execution of his Office*, it was enacted that it should be lawful for such Officer to ask, demand, and receive any Sum of Money not exceeding One Penny for every Twelve Weights so stamped: And whereas it is expedient that, upon the Termination of the present existing Interest in the said

ſaid Office, the ſaid Salary of Two hundred and fifty Pounds a Year ſhould be aboliſhed; be it therefore enacted, That from and after and upon the Termination of the preſent exiſting Intereſt in the ſaid Office, no Salary whatever ſhall be granted or paid or payable to the ſaid Officer under or by virtue of the ſaid recited Act of the Fourteenth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, nor any Salary, Fee, or Emolument whatſoever, other than and except ſuch Fees and Sums of Money as the ſaid Officer is authorized to aſk, demand, and receive under and by virtue of the ſaid recited Act of the Fifteenth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign; any Thing in the ſaid recited Act of the Fourteenth Year aforeſaid of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Office of Governor of the Mint in Scotland, after Termination of exiſting Intereſt, to be held by Maſter of Mint in England; and other Offices of Mint in Scotland, after exiſting Intereſt, aboliſhed.

IV. And whereas it is expedient that the Office of Governor of the Mint in *Scotland* ſhould, upon the Termination of the preſent exiſting Intereſt therein, be held by the Maſter of the Mint in *England* for the Time being; and that the other Offices of the Mint in *Scotland* ſhould, upon the Termination of the reſpective preſent exiſting Intereſts therein, be held by the Officers diſcharging Duties correſponding to the Duties of theſe Offices in *England*; and that the Buildings of the Mint in *Scotland* ſhould be ſold; be it further enacted, That from and after the Termination of the preſent exiſting Intereſt in the Office of the Governor of the Mint in *Scotland*, the ſaid Office ſhall veſt in and thenceforth and for ever thereafter be held by the Maſter and Worker of the Mint in *England* for the Time being, without any ſpecial Appointment for that Purpoſe or in that Behalf, and without any Salary, Fee, or Emolument in reſpect thereof; and all the other Offices in the Mint in *Scotland* ſhall, from and after the reſpective Terminations of the preſent exiſting Intereſts therein reſpectively, be held by the Officers reſpectively diſcharging in *England* Duties correſponding to the Duties of ſuch Offices, without any additional Salary, Fee, or Emolument in reſpect thereof; any Thing contained in any Act or Acts of Parliament, or Law or Laws, or Cuſtom or Indenture relating to the Mint of *Scotland*, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Treaſury to direct Mint Buildings to be ſold.

V. And be it further enacted, That upon the Termination of the whole of the exiſting Intereſts of ſuch of the ſaid Officers as are entitled to Apartments in the ſaid Buildings, or upon their relinquiſhing their Rights thereto, it ſhall be lawful for the Lord High Treaſurer of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or the Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury of the ſaid United Kingdom, or any Three or more of them, and they are hereby authorized and required, as ſoon as conveniently may be after ſuch Termination or Relinquiſhment, to order and direct the Buildings appropriated to the Mint in *Scotland* to be ſold, and the Proceeds, after deducting the Charges attending the Sale or Sales, to be paid to the Receiver General in *Scotland*; and the ſame when ſo paid ſhall be accounted for by him in the ſame Manner with any Public Monies received by him.

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