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**An Act to make further Regulations reſpecting the Payment of Navy Prize Money, and to authorize the Governors of *Greenwich* Hoſpital to pay over certain Shares of Prize Money due to *Ruſſian* Seamen to His Excellency the *Ruſſian* Ambaſſador.**

[3d *June* 1818.]

WHEREAS an Act paſſed in the Fifty-fourth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled *An Act for regulating the Payment of Navy Prize Money, and the Tranſmiſſion of Accounts, and Payment of Balances to* Greenwich *Hoſpital:* 54 G. 3. c. 93. And whereas it is expedient that Navy Prize Agents ſhould, during the Three Months in which they are by the Laws now in force directed to diſtribute Navy Prize or Bounty Money, Grants, or other Allowances of Money to Officers, Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, and Marines, pay the Shares of ſuch Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, and Marines, upon their perſonal Application only; and that the Payment upon Orders and written Authorities ſhould be confined to the Treaſurer and Clerk of the Check of the Royal Hoſpital for Seamen at *Greenwich:* And whereas it is alſo expedient to make further Proviſions reſpecting Navy Prize Money: 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

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So much of recited Act as directs the Payment of Prize Money by Agents on Orders made by Non commiſſioned Officer, &c. repealed.

preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That from and after the paſſing of this Act, ſo much of the ſaid Act of the Fifty-fourth Year of His preſent Majeſty as directs or authorizes the Payment by any Navy Prize Agent of any Prize or Bounty Money, Grants, or other Allowances of Money, upon Orders made by Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, and Marines, ſhall be and is hereby repealed.

Payment of Prize Money on Orders ſhall be confined to the Treaſurer and Clerk of the Cheque of Greenwich Hoſpital.

Agents to pay only on perſonal Application. Penalty, 50l.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the paſſing of this Act the Payment of Prize Money upon Orders ſhall be confined to the Treaſurer and Clerk of the Check of *Greenwich* Hoſpital, and that no Agent or Agents appointed for the Diſtribution of any Navy Prize or Bounty Money, Grant, or other Allowances of Money, whether ariſing from or given in conſequence of conjunct Expeditions or Services by the Navy only, ſhall pay any Share or Shares of the Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, or Marines, or Supernumeraries, entitled thereto, upon any Order or Letter of Attorney, or other written Power or Authority whatſoever, but ſhall pay the ſame to the ſaid Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, Marines, and Supernumeraries, upon their reſpective perſonal Applications only, upon pain of forfeiting, for every Payment made otherwiſe than as above directed, the Sum of Fifty Pounds, to be recovered by and in the Name of the Treaſurer of the ſaid Royal Hoſpital.

Orders made by Non-commiſſioned Officers, &c. to be in Form ſet forth in Schedule A. with the Certificate marked B.

III. And be it further enacted, That from and after the paſſing of this Act, all Orders made by Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and others entitled to Prize or Bounty Money, Grants, or other Allowances of Money in the Nature thereof, ſhall be in the Form or to the Effect ſet forth in the Schedule to this Act annexed marked (A.), and ſhall contain in the Body of ſuch Orders an exact Account of the Money and Goods advanced by the Perſon in whoſe Favour ſuch Order is made, to the Perſon making the ſame; and a Certificate ſhall be printed upon every Paper containing ſuch Order according to the Form or to the Effect ſet forth in the Schedule to this Act annexed marked (B.), and ſhall be duly filled up and atteſted as directed at the Foot of the ſaid Schedule; and the Treaſurer and Clerk of the Check of the ſaid Hoſpital ſhall pay upon every ſuch Order, out of the Money belonging to the Perſon making the ſame, ſo much as ſhall appear to be due to the Payee named therein, with legal Intereſt thereon, and no more.

Orders to bear Date the Day they are executed.

IV. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall knowingly inſert or cauſe to be inſerted in any Order for the Payment of Prize Money, Bounty Money, Grants, or other Allowances of Money, payable by the Commiſſioners and Governors of the Royal Hoſpital for Seamen at *Greenwich*, or by their Treaſurer, any other Date than the Day on which the ſaid Order ſhall be executed, or ſhall knowingly preſent or utter any Order bearing any falſe Date as aforeſaid, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall for every ſuch Offence be deemed guilty of a Miſdemeanor, and puniſhed accordingly.

Perſons producing a falſe Certificate, &c. deemed guilty of a Miſdemeanor,

V. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon or Perſons really entitled to Prize or Bounty Money, Penſion Money, Grant, or other Allowance of Money, on account of Services on board of any Ship or Veſſel, ſhall, by the Production of any falſe Certificate, or by making any falſe Repreſentation, obtain or endeavour to obtain from the ſaid Royal Hoſpital

Hoſpital the ſaid Prize or Bounty Money, Penſion Money, or other Allowance of Money ſo due to him as aforeſaid, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall be deemed guilty of a Miſdemeanor, and ſhall forfeit all Prize or Bounty Money, Penſion Money, Grant, or other Allowance of Money, due to him on account of his ſaid Services. and ſhall forfeit all Prize Money due to them.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the Proceeds of all Seizures made by Revenue Cruiſers, or other Veſſels employed in the Service of the Revenue, but under Admiralty Orders, ſhall be ſubject to the ſame Rules, Laws, and Regulations with reſpect to forfeited and unclaimed Shares, as Prize and Bounty Money are liable to under this Act, or any other Acts which ſhall be in force at the paſſing of this Act relating to Prize and Bounty Money. Proceeds of Seizures ſubject to the ſame Regulations as Prize Money.

VII. And whereas it is expedient that the Payment of Bills for Out-penſions, heretofore, by an Act paſſed in the Fifty-ſixth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled *An Act for enabling the Officers in His Majeſty's Navy, and their Repreſentatives, to draw for and receive their Half-pay; and for tranſferring the Duty of making certain Payments from the Clerk of the Check at His Majeſty's Dock Yards to the Clerks of the Treaſurer of the Navy at the ſame Yards*, authorized and directed to be made by the Clerks to the Treaſurer of His Majeſty's Navy, ſhould be authorized to be made by the Deputy or Deputies of the Treaſurer of the Royal Hoſpital for Seamen at *Greenwich* in the County of *Kent*; be it enacted, That from and after the paſſing of this Act, all Bills drawn by the Paymaſter of Penſions at the ſaid Royal Hoſpital, or under his Authority, for the Payment of Out-penſions, may be directed to and paid by any Deputy or Deputies to the Treaſurer of the ſaid Royal Hoſpital; and that all and every the Clauſes, Proviſions, Pains, Penalties, and Regulations contained and now in force with reſpect to ſuch Payments of Penſions, when made or directed to be made by the ſaid Clerks of the Treaſurer of His Majeſty's Navy, ſhall be applicable and applied to the Payments of Penſions, made or directed or authorized to be made by the Deputy or Deputies of the Treaſurer of the ſaid Royal Hoſpital, as fully and effectually as if the ſame were herein and hereby repeated and re-enacted. 56G.3.c.101. Payment of Bills for Out-penſions may be directed to and paid by Deputies to the Treaſurer.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the paſſing of this Act, the Certificates upon all Bills drawn by the Treaſurer or Deputy Treaſurer of *Greenwich* Hoſpital, or by the Paymaſter of Penſions, for the Payment of any Prize or Bounty Money, Grant, Penſion, or other Allowance of Money in favour of any Perſon reſiding at any Port or Place at which a Deputy of the ſaid Royal Hoſpital ſhall have been or ſhall be appointed, ſhall be atteſted by ſuch Deputy, and by no other Perſon. Certificates on Bills drawn by Treaſurer, &c. ſhall be atteſted by the Deputy only.

IX. And be it enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for every licenſed Agent to ſend a Liſt of all Orders which he may have received or ſhall hereafter receive from Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, or Marines, to the Agent appointed for the Diſtribution of any Prize or Prizes, Bounty Money, Grant, or other Allowances of Money; which Orders, if depoſited at *Greenwich* Hoſpital, ſhall not be revocable after Diſtribution of the Money to which they relate ſhall have commenced; and ſuch Diſtributing Agent ſhall not, after receiving any Liſt as aforeſaid, pay to the Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, or Marines named therein, or any of Agents to ſend Liſts of Orders received from Non-commiſſioned Officers, &c. to the diſtributing Agent.

Shares due under ſuch Orders to be paid overwith the unclaimed Shares to be refunded by the Treaſurer, &c.

of them, the Share or Shares due to any of them reſpectively, but ſhall pay the ſame over, with the unclaimed and forfeited Shares, to *Greenwich* Hoſpital, to be refunded by the Treaſurer of the ſaid Royal Hoſpital to the Non-commiſſioned Officers, Seamen, or Marines entitled thereto, or the Payees named in the ſaid Orders reſpectively, in like Manner as unclaimed Shares are directed to be paid and refunded; and the ſaid Diſtributing Agents ſhall, upon the Requiſition of the Clerk of the Cheque of the ſaid Royal Hoſpital, deliver to the ſaid Clerk of the Cheque any Order which ſhall have been depoſited in their Hands by licenſed Agents, to be kept at the ſaid Royal Hoſpital; and ſuch Diſtributing Agent ſhall receive from the ſaid Clerk of the Cheque a Receipt for the ſame, and an Undertaking to produce the ſame whenever the Production thereof ſhall be deemed expedient.

Directors of Greenwich Hoſpital empowered to pay over to the Ruſſian Ambaſſador 6,885l. 12s. 4¾d. being a Balance remaining of the Proceeds of Captures made on the Attack of the Dutch Fleet.

X. And whereas certain Ships and Veſſels belonging to his Imperial *Ruſſian* Majeſty acted in conjunction with a Squadron of *Britiſh* Ships and Veſſels of War belonging to His Majeſty, under the Command of Admiral Sir *Andrew Mitchell*, on the Attack of the *Dutch* Fleet in the *Texel* in the Year One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine, and became entitled to ſhare in the Proceeds ariſing from the Captures made in the ſaid Expedition: And whereas the Agent for the ſaid Captures did, in or about the Month of *December* One thouſand eight hundred and ten, pay into the Royal Hoſpital for Seamen at *Greenwich* the Sum of Seven thouſand one hundred and eleven Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Eight-pence Three Farthings, being the Amount of certain Shares unclaimed by the Officers, Seamen, and Marines of the ſaid Ships of His *Ruſſian* Majeſty: And whereas it is deemed adviſable to pay over the Sum of Six thouſand eight hundred and eighty-five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Four-pence Three Farthings, the Balance now remaining in the ſaid Hoſpital, to His Excellency Count *Lieven*, Ambaſſador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of His Imperial *Ruſſian* Majeſty, or the Ambaſſador of His Imperial *Ruſſian* Majeſty for the Time being at the Court of *London*, for the Uſe of the Officers and Men entitled thereto; be it enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the Directors of the ſaid Royal Hoſpital for Seamen at *Greenwich* in the County of *Kent*, and they are hereby authorized and required, to cauſe to be paid over to the ſaid Count *Lieven*, or the Ambaſſador from His Imperial *Ruſſian* Majeſty at the Court of *London* for the Time being, out of the Funds of the ſaid Hoſpital, the ſaid Sum of Six thouſand eight hundred and eighty-five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Four-pence Three Farthings, the Balance now remaining in the ſaid Hoſpital, for the Purpoſe of being diſtributed amongſt ſuch of the Officers and Crews of the ſaid Ships and Veſſels of His ſaid Imperial *Ruſſian* Majeſty as ſhall not heretofore have received their reſpective Shares of and in the Proceeds of the ſaid Captures.

Greenwich Hoſpital indemnified for ſuch Payment.

XI. And be it further enacted, That upon Payment of the ſaid Sum of Six thouſand eight hundred and eighty-five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Four-pence Three Farthings to the ſaid Count *Lieven*, or to His Imperial *Ruſſian* Majeſty's Ambaſſador at the Court of *London* for the Time being, the Commiſſioners and Governors of *Greenwich* Hoſpital ſhall be wholly indemnified and freed and diſcharged therefrom, and be no further liable or accountable for the ſame to any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever.

## SCHEDULE to which this ACT refers.

### A.

One Shilling Stamp.

TAKE NOTICE, that no Prize Money can be received under this Order, except by an Agent duly licenſed in conformity to the Act of Parliament of the Fifty-fourth Year of King George the Third, or by the Wife, one of the Parents, or Children of the Grantor.

* *Here inſert the Place where and Time when the Order is made.* *

Day of 18

AT Seven Days Sight pay to or his Order the Sum of out of the Amount of my Share of Prize or Bounty Money for the Capture of

† *Here inſert the Names of the Prizes and Time of Capture, or give ſuch other Deſcription of them as ſhall be ſatisfactory to the Agent and the Officers of Greenwich Hoſpital.* †

when ſerving on board His Majeſty's Ship or Veſſel, the in quality of being for £ advanced to me by the ſaid in Money, and £ for Slops or Goods furniſhed to me by the ſaid

To the proper Officers of Greenwich Hoſpital.

## B.

THESE are to certify, That we have examined the ſaid who ſigned the above Order in our Preſence, and from the Documents he has ſhewn us, viz. [‡

‡ *Here inſert the Nature of the Documents, whether they are invalid Tickets, Certificates or otherwiſe, and by what Officer they are ſigned.* ]

and his Anſwers to our Queſtions, we have Reaſon to believe that he was ſerving on board the ſaid Ship at the Time of making the Captures above ſpecified, and has received the Money and Slops above mentioned; he ſays he was born at in the County of ; that he is Years of Age, of a Complexion, Eyes, and Hair, §

§ *If the Party is diſcharged from the Service, ſtate the Time and Cauſe of Diſcharge.*

Given under our Hands

Note.—This Certificate to be ſigned by the Captain or Commanding Officer, and one other ſigning Officer, of the Ship to which the Party belongs.

If diſcharged from the Service, and reſident at any Place where there is a Deputy or Agent of the Hoſpital, to be ſigned by that Deputy.

If within Four Miles of the Hoſpital, by the Clerk of the Cheque or his Firſt Clerk.

If at any other Place within the Bills of Mortality, by the Officer for Prizes in the Navy Pay Office, or his Aſſiſtant.

If by Marines at Head Quarters, where there is no Deputy to the Hoſpital, to be ſigned by the Colonel or Commanding Officer and the Adjutant.

If by any Perſon at Sick Quarters, to be ſigned by the Surgeon and one of his Aſſiſtants; but where there is a Deputy, to be ſigned by ſuch Deputy.

If at any other Place in England, to be ſigned by the Miniſter and one of the Churchwardens; and if in Scotland, by the Miniſter and one of the Elders.

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