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C A P. XXVIII.

An Act for the more speedy Reduction of the Number of Serjeants, Corporals, and Drummers in the Militia of *Ireland*, when not in actual Service. [23d *May* 1823.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to reduce the Number of Serjeants, Corporals, and* 57G.3.c.104. *Drummers in the Militia of* Ireland, *whilst disembodied*; it is enacted, that no Vacancy which shall occur by the Death, Dismissal, or Removal of any Serjeants, Corporals, or Drummers of any Regiment or Battalion of the said Militia, which shall not be embodied and called out into actual Service, shall be supplied or filled up until the Numbers of such Serjeants, Corporals, and Drummers shall be reduced below the Numbers therein mentioned: And whereas it is expedient that Power should be given for the more speedy Reduction of the Numbers of such Serjeants, Corporals, and Drummers, in such Regiments or Battalions of the said Militia in which such Reduction shall not have taken place before the passing of this Act: 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 at any Time after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, or for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland* for the Time being, to direct that the Number of Serjeants, Corporals, and

Serjeants, &c. may be reduced (at any Time after passing this

Act) to the Proportions herein mentioned.

Drummers to be retained in any Regiment or Battalion of the said Militia on permanent Pay, when not in actual Service, shall be as follows, and no more, and the same shall thereupon be the ordinary Establishment of such Regiment or Battalion; that is to say, One Serjeant and One Corporal, and no more, to every Thirty private Men, and One Drummer to every Company, with an Addition of One Drummer to each Flank Company; and if it shall happen that there shall then remain a Surplus of Fifteen private Men or upwards, and less than Thirty, every such Regiment or Battalion shall and may, in such Case, have One additional Corporal for such Surplus Number of Men; and when any such Regiment or Battalion of Militia shall be drawn out into actual Service, such Addition shall be made thereto, that there shall be One Serjeant and One Corporal to every Twenty private Men, and Two Drummers to every Company.

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