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CAP. XXI.

An Act to amend an Act for the more effectual Administration of the Office of Justice of the Peace in and near the Metropolis.

[20th *May* 1825.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Third Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for the more effectual Administration of the Office of a Justice of the Peace in and near the Metropolis, and for the more effectual Prevention of Depredations on the River* Thames *and its Vicinity, for Seven Years,* the yearly Salary payable to each of the Justices appointed under the said Act is fixed at Six hundred Pounds: And whereas it is expedient to increase the said Salary: 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 it shall be lawful to pay to each of the Justices appointed or to be appointed under the said Act, such yearly Salary as shall be directed by One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, not exceeding the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds, to commence from the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five.

3 G. 4. c. 55.

Justices Salaries.

II. And whereas by the said recited Act the Chief Magistrate of the Public Office in *Bow Street* is empowered to administer to the Officers of the said Office, and to the Horse and Foot Patrol acting under the Orders of the said Chief Magistrate, an Oath duly to execute

Bow Street Officers and Patrol to have Powers of Constables within certain

Counties, and within the Royal Palaces.

execute the Office of Constable within the Counties of *Middlesex*, *Surrey*, *Essex*, and *Kent*; and each of the Persons so sworn is empowered to act as a Constable in the Manner therein mentioned; and it is expedient to extend the Powers of the Persons so sworn as herein-after mentioned; be it therefore further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Chief Magistrate of the said Public Office in *Bow Street* to administer to such Persons respectively an Oath duly to execute the Office of a Constable within the Counties of *Middlesex*, *Surrey*, *Essex*, and *Kent*, and within the Royal Palaces of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and Ten Miles thereof; and that each of such Persons being so sworn, and each of the Officers of the said Public Office, and each of the Horse and Foot Patrol already sworn under the said recited Act, shall, from and after the passing of this Act, have Power to act as a Constable for the said Counties, and also within the said Royal Palaces, and Ten Miles thereof, and shall have all such Powers and Authorities, Privileges and Advantages, as any Constable duly appointed now has or hereafter may have within his Constablewick.

In case of Removal of Bow Street Office, Powers to continue.

III. And be it further enacted, That all Powers and Authorities, Privileges, Advantages, Exemptions, Duties, Obligations, and Liabilities, by the said recited Act conferred and imposed upon the Magistrates of the said Public Office in *Bow Street*, and upon the Clerks, Constables, and others therein employed, and on the Horse and Foot Patrol acting under the Orders of the Chief Magistrate of that Office, shall, in case of the Removal of that Office from the said Street to any other Street or Place, be used and exercised, enjoyed and performed by the Magistrates, Clerks, Officers, Patrol, and others respectively, at the Office to be substituted for the said Public Office in *Bow Street*, in as full and ample Manner, to all Intents and Purposes, as if such substituted Office had been expressly named in the said recited Act and this Act.

Police Magistrates may swear in Street Keepers to act as Constables.

IV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for Two of the Justices appointed under the said recited Act to any of the Police Offices thereby established, upon the Application of Five of the Inhabitants of any Street or Square, or of the Proprietor of any Place of public Resort, within the Limits of the Bills of Mortality and the Parishes therein enumerated, to appoint a competent Number of Persons, recommended by such Inhabitants or such Proprietor respectively, and approved of by such Justices, to be Constables, to keep the Peace within such Street or Square, or such Place of public Resort, and the Avenues leading thereto, for such Period of Time as such Justices shall deem fit and necessary, and to administer an Oath to every such Constable, duly to execute that Office within the Limits and for the Period of Time for which he shall be appointed; and every Constable so sworn shall, within the Limits and during the Period for which he shall serve, have all such Powers and Authorities, Privileges and Advantages, as any Constable duly appointed hath or shall have within his Constablewick, and shall be paid by the Inhabitants or Proprietor respectively, on whose Application he shall be appointed, such Wages as shall be deemed reasonable and adequate by the Justices by whom he shall be appointed.

V. And be it further enacted, That whensoever any Offender convicted of a Misdemeanour of a fraudulent Nature under the said recited Act, shall be adjudged to Imprisonment in the House of Correction, it shall be lawful for the convicting Justices, if he shall so think fit, to adjudge that such Offender shall be there kept to hard Labour.

Offenders sentenced to House of Correction may be adjudged to hard Labour.

VI. And for preventing the Evasion of that Provision in the said recited Act, whereby Justices of the Peace are prohibited, except in certain Cases, from taking any Fees within the Limits of the Bills of Mortality, and certain Parishes in the said Act enumerated; be it further enacted, That every Summons which shall, after the passing of this Act, be issued by any Justice of the Peace of the Counties of *Middlesex* and *Surrey* respectively, requiring any Person residing within the said Limits and Parishes, to appear at any Place without those Limits and Parishes, to answer any Information or Complaint touching any Matter arising within the said Limits and Parishes, shall be utterly void and of none effect; any Law, Custom, or Usage to the contrary notwithstandiug.

Summons for Persons to appear at any Place without the Limits specified in recited Act, void.

VII. And be it further enacted and declared, That every Offence committed against the said recited Act, and thereby made punishable under an Act passed in the same Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act for consolidating into One Act and amending the Laws relating to idle and disorderly Persons, Rogues, and Vagabonds, incorrigible Rogues, and other Vagrants, in* England, is and shall be punishable and punished under the Provisions of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act for the Punishment of idle and disorderly Persons and Rogues and Vagabonds, in that Part of* Great Britain *called* England; and that the Form of Conviction prescribed by the said first-recited Act, shall and may be altered and adapted as the Circumstances of the Case shall require.

Offences punishable under 3 G. 4. c. 40. shall be punishable under the Provisions of 5 G. 4. c. 83.

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