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CAP. CXXVI.

An Act to exempt the Volunteer Forces of *Great Britain* from the Payment of Tolls.

[6th *August* 1861.]

WHEREAS Doubts have arisen how far the Exemption from Tolls granted to Officers and Soldiers by the Acts severally passed in the Third and Fourth Years of the late King *George* the Fourth, for the general Regulation of Turnpike Roads in *England* and *Scotland* respectively, and by the several Acts heretofore passed for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for better Payment of the Army and their Quarters, may be extended to Officers and Soldiers serving in Volunteer Corps: And whereas it is expedient that such Doubts should be removed, and the Exemption of Volunteers from Tolls should be more fully defined: Be it enacted by the Queen'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, as follows: 3 G. 4. c. 126. 4 G. 4. c. 49.

1. No Dues, Duties, Pontage, or Toll from which Officers and Soldiers on their March or Duty, or the Horses of any Officer or Soldier Horses and Carriages, &c. of

Volunteers exempted.

Soldier on March or on Duty, are exempted by the Provisions of the recited or any other Acts, shall be demanded or taken at any Pier, Wharf, Quay, or Landing Place, or at any Turnpike or other Gate, Bar, or Bridge, for any Volunteer Officer or Soldier, or for any Horse or other Beast used or ridden by any Volunteer Officer or Soldier on his March or on Duty, or going to or returning from any Place appointed for and on the Days for Exercise, Inspection, or Review, or on other Public Duty, such Volunteer Officer or Soldier being in the Uniform of his Corps, or for any Cart, Waggon, or Carriage whatsoever, whether public or private, or for any Horse or other Beast drawing the same, employed only in carrying or conveying, or returning empty from carrying or conveying, having been employed only in carrying or conveying, any such Volunteer Officer or Soldier on his March or on Duty, or going to or returning from any Place appointed for and on the Days for Exercise, Inspection, or Review, or other public Duty, and being in the Uniform of his Corps, or the Arms or Baggage of any such Volunteer Officer or Soldier, or any Ordnance or Barrack or Commissariat Stores belonging to or for the Use of Her Majesty's Volunteer Forces; provided that nothing herein contained shall exempt any Boats, Barges, or other Vessels employed in conveying the said Persons, Horses or other Beasts, Carts, Waggons, Carriages, Arms, Baggage, or Stores along any Canal from Payment of Tolls in like Manner as other Boats, Barges, or Vessels are liable thereto, or prevent Toll being taken for conveying the said Persons, Horses or other Beasts, Carts, Waggons, or Carriages, Arms, Baggage, or Stores, upon any Railway.

Penalty for demanding Tolls from Volunteers, &c.

2. Any Toll Collector or other Person who shall take, demand, or receive any Dues, Duties, Pontage, or Toll for or in respect of any Volunteer Officer or Soldier, Horse or other Beast, Carriage, Waggon, or Cart, entitled to Exemption under this Act, shall forfeit and pay for every Offence a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Penalty for personating Volunteers, &c.

3. Any Person who shall falsely and fraudulently personate or represent himself to be a Volunteer Officer or Soldier with the Intent to evade Payment of any Dues, Duties, Pontage, or Toll to which he would otherwise be liable, shall forfeit and pay for every Offence a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Recovery and Application of Penalties.

4. All Penalties, Forfeitures, and Fines by this Act inflicted or authorized to be imposed shall be levied and recovered and applied in *England* and *Scotland* respectively in manner severally directed by the

the said recited Acts, or any Act or Acts respectively amending the same for the Time being in force.

5. This Act shall not extend to *Ireland.* Extent of Act.

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