Application of Fees.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the Fees which shall be received on account of the Speaker of the House of Commons shall from Time to Time be paid into the Hands of the Commissioners appointed by an Act passed in the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to repeal an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Year of His present Majesty, for establishing certain Regulations in the Offices of the House of Commons, and to establish other and further Regulations in the said Offices*, or of such Person or Persons as they shall by Warrant under their Hands and Seals appoint to collect the same; and the said Fees shall form Part of the Fund under the Care and Management of the said Commissioners.

52 G. 3. c. 11.

Commencement of Act.

VII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect from and after the first of the said Quarter Days which shall ensue after the Termination of the present Session of Parliament; and the first Payment of the said Annuity shall be due and payable upon the first of the said quarterly Days which shall follow the Commencement of this Act.

Recited Act of 30 G. 3. c. 10. repealed.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That from and after Ten Days after the Commencement of this Act the said recited Act passed in the Thirtieth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

CAP. CVI.

An Act to enable the Officers in His Majesty's Army, and their Representatives, and the Widows of Officers, and Persons on the Compassionate List, and also Civil Officers on Retired or Superannuation Allowances payable by the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces, to draw for and receive their Half Pay and Allowances.

[11th *August* 1832.]

47 G. 3. Sess. 2. c. 25.

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Forty-seventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for the more convenient Payment of Half Pay and Pensions and other Allowances to Officers and Widows of Officers, and to Persons upon the Compassionate List*, certain Provisions were made respecting the Mode in which Officers in His Majesty's Forces, and Widows of any such Officers, and Persons receiving any Allowance or Pension on the Compassionate List, or any Pension, Allowance, or Relief in respect of any Military Service, should receive the same: And whereas it would tend to the greater Convenience and Advantage of such Persons if they were enabled to draw for such Half Pay, Pensions, and Allowances by Bills of Exchange on the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces for the Time being, instead of being paid the same in the Manner provided by the said Act, and likewise of such Persons as by reason of their having served any Civil Offices are on Retired or Superannuation Allowances payable by the said Paymaster General, if they were enabled to draw in like Manner for the same, instead of being paid in the Manner now provided;' 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,

Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the First Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and thirty three, if any Officer or Person who has served in any of His Majesty's Forces, or in any Forces which have been heretofore or may hereafter be engaged in His Majesty's Service, and who shall be entitled to receive any Half Pay, Pension, or Allowance, or any Widow of any such Officer, or any Person who shall be entitled to receive any Allowance or Pension on the Compassionate List, or any Pension, Allowance, or Relief in respect of any Military Service, or any Person who shall be entitled to any Retired or Superannuation Allowance payable by the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces by reason of his having served any Civil Office, shall be desirous of drawing a Bill of Exchange for the same upon the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces, instead of receiving the same by Remittance Bill, or in the Manner now provided for Payment thereof, and shall signify such Desire by Letter to the Paymaster General, transmitting therewith the usual Affidavit or Certificate, or Affidavit and Certificate in such Cases where both are required, as prescribed by His Majesty's Warrant, or the usual Documents now required before Payment of the same, the Cashier or proper Officer in the Army Pay Office (first satisfying himself from the annual Establishment and Books in the said Office of the Amount of Half Pay, Pension, Allowance, or Relief due, shall certify the same upon an Order to draw according to the Form in the Schedule hereunto annexed,) which Order shall then be dispatched from the said Office to the Officer or Person so desiring Payment; and such Order and Bill, when returned and presented to the Paymaster General, duly filled up by the said Officer or Person, shall be retained, and shall become payable and be paid by the said Paymaster General according to its Tenor, in like Manner as if it had been accepted, and shall with the Acquittance of the Party claiming Payment of the same, and with the said Affidavit or Certificate, or Affidavit and Certificate where both are required, or the Documents now required before Payment, annexed thereto, be a sufficient Voucher and Discharge to the Paymaster General for such Payment in his annual Account.

Half Pay to Officers and Widows Pension, and Retired or Superannuation Allowances, may be paid by Bill of Exchange.

II. And be it further enacted, That if the Executors or Administrators of any such deceased Officer or Person who at the Time of his or her Death was entitled to any such Half Pay, Pension, Allowance, or Relief, shall be desirous of receiving the same by Bill of Exchange in the Manner herein-before provided for Payment of the same to any such Officer or Person, and shall signify such his, her, or their Desire by Letter to the said Paymaster General, requesting Payment thereof accordingly, and transmitting the usual Affidavit or Certificate, or Affidavit and Certificate where both are required, as prescribed by His Majesty's Warrant, or the usual Documents now required before Payment in the Case of such Executors or Administrators, it shall be lawful for the said Paymaster General to pay or cause the same to be paid to such Executors or Administrators, or Parties entitled to any such Half Pay, Pension, Allowance, or Relief, in the Manner herein-before provided for the Payment to any such Officer or Person.

Representatives of deceased Officer or Person entitled may receive Half Pay or Pension by Bill.

Forging Certificates, &c. Felony.

III. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall falsely make, forge, or counterfeit, or cause or procure to be falsely made, forged, or counterfeited, or willingly act or assist in the false making, forging, or counterfeiting of any such Authority or Certificate, or Bill of Exchange, or shall utter as true any such false, forged, or counterfeited Authority or Certificate, or Bill of Exchange, knowing the same to be false, forged, or counterfeited, with Intent to defraud any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, every such Person so offending shall be deemed guilty of Felony, and being thereof lawfully convicted shall be transported for Seven Years, or suffer Imprisonment for any Term not exceeding Four Years, as the Court shall direct.

Persons entitled to Half Pay, Pensions, or Allowances, may receive the same by Remittance Bills.

IV. And be it further enacted, That any Officer or Person who shall be entitled to any such Half Pay, Pension, Allowance, or Relief as aforesaid shall be at liberty, whenever he or she shall think fit, to receive the same by means of a Remittance Bill, to be made out payable to any such Person, and to be signed by the Cashier of Half Pay, the Cashier of Widows Pensions, or by the Chief Cashier, or by any Cashier duly appointed and authorized to act for any of the said several Cashiers for any or either of the Services respectively which they are or may be respectively authorized by the said Paymaster General to pay; and every such Remittance Bill shall be drawn upon and made payable by the Receiver General of the Land Tax, the Collector of the Cess in *Scotland*, or any Collector of the Duties of Customs or Excise;

Party to whom Remittance Bills are payable to appear personally.

and Payment on every such Remittance Bill shall be made only to the Party to whom the same shall be expressed to be payable, except in Cases where such Party shall by Illness or bodily Infirmity be disabled from appearing personally, in which Cases such Disability being certified by the Minister and Churchwardens of the Parish or Place where the Party shall reside, or by the Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary attending him or her, and there being no Reason to doubt the Authenticity or Truth of such Certificate, Payment shall on that Occasion be made on the Production of the Bill to the Order in Writing of the Party to whom it is made payable: Provided always, that in case the Receiver General of the Land Tax, the Collector of the Cess in *Scotland*, or any Collector of the Duties of Customs or Excise, or any Person acting for any of them respectively, whose Duty it shall be to make Payment on any Remittance Bill, shall entertain any Doubt as to the Identity of the Party, the Authenticity of the Vouchers produced, or his or her Title to receive Payment, such Receiver General of the Land Tax, Collector of the Cess in *Scotland*, or Collector of the Duties of Customs or Excise, or any Person acting for any of them respectively, shall inquire into the same by the Oath of the Party so applying, which Oath such Receiver General of the Land Tax, Collector of the Cess in *Scotland*, and Collector of the Dutties of Customs or Excise, and any Person acting for any of them respectively, are hereby respectively authorized to administer for that Purpose; and if any Person shall in or by any such Oath wilfully and corruptly swear any Matter or Thing which shall be false or untrue, being thereof lawfully convicted, he shall be subject and liable to the like Pains and Penalties as any Person convicted

Power to inquire into the Identity of Parties, and to administer Oaths.

Penalty for Perjury.

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of wilful and corrupt Perjury is or shall be by any Law in force subject and liable to.

Recital of 52 G. 3. c. 132. s. 16.

V. 'And whereas by an Act passed in the Fifty-second Year 'of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for explaining, amending, and extending the several 'Laws relative to the Payment of forfeited and unclaimed Shares 'of Army Prize Money to the Royal Hospital at* Chelsea, *and for 'directing the Mode of making up the Accounts of Pensions paid to 'the Widows of Officers of the Army*, it is enacted, that all Letters 'and Packets relative to the Duties of the Office of the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces, which shall be forwarded 'by the Accountant General of the Army Pay Office or by the 'Cashier for the Payment of Half Pay and Widows Pensions respectively, shall be sent free from the Duty of Postage, provided 'that the same be under Covers, with the Words "pursuant to 'Act of Parliament" and "Army Pay Office" printed upon the 'same, and the said Accountant or Cashier respectively (whose 'Names should for that Purpose be transmitted to the Post Office) 'do write his Name under the same: And whereas it would tend 'to facilitate the Dispatch of public Business in the Office of the 'said Paymaster General if Authority were also given to some 'other Person in the said Office to send such Letters and Packets 'as aforesaid free from Postage in the Absence of the said Accountant or Cashier respectively;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces for the Time being, from Time to Time, to authorize and direct such One Person in the Office of the said Paymaster General as he shall think proper to nominate in that Behalf, and whose Name he shall from Time to Time transmit to the Secretary of the General Post Office in *London*, to send free from Postage, in the Absence of the said Accountant General of the Army Pay Office and of the said Cashier for the Payment of Half Pay and Widows Pensions, or of either of them the said Accountant and Cashier respectively, all or any of the Letters and Packets relating solely to the Business of the Office of the said Paymaster General; and every Person so nominated as aforesaid shall sign and subscribe his Name under such Words as by the last-recited Act are directed to be printed upon the Covers inclosing such Letters and Packets, in like Manner as the said Accountant General and the said Cashier are by the said Act respectively authorized and directed to do; and the said Accountant and Cashier, and the Person so to be nominated as aforesaid, are hereby respectively strictly forbidden so to subscribe any Letter or Packet in the Manner directed by the said last-recited Act or by this Act, except only such Letters and Packets as they shall respectively know to relate solely to the Business of the Office of the said Paymaster General; and if any such Accountant or Cashier, or Person to be nominated as aforesaid, shall send, or cause or permit to be sent, under any such Cover as in the last-recited Act or this Act is mentioned, any Letter, Paper, or Writing, or any Inclosure, other than what shall relate to the public Business of the Office of the said Paymaster General, such Accountant, Cashier, or other Person so offending shall, for the First Offence, forfeit and pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds, and for the Second Offence shall be dismissed from his Office.

The Paymaster General empowered to authorize an Officer in the Army Pay Office to send Letters free from Postage in the Absence of the Accountant General or Cashier of Half Pay and Widows Pension.

Penalty for sending free from Postage Letters containing Inclosures not relating solely to the Business of the Office.

VI. 'And

Recital of 1 W. 4. c. 63.

VI. 'And whereas by an Act passed in the First Year of the 'Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to apply the Sum 'of One million five hundred thousand Pounds out of the Consoli- 'dated Fund to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred 'and thirty, and appropriate the Supplies granted in this present 'Session,* certain Oaths are required to be taken by Officers and 'Persons claiming to be entitled to Half Pay, and by Widows 'of Officers claiming Pensions, and also by Persons claiming 'Allowances on the Compassionate List, or Allowances as of His 'Majesty's Royal Bounty, and it is expedient to make Provision 'for the due administering of all such Oaths;' be it therefore

Who may administer certain Oaths required by the recited Act to be taken.

enacted, That all such Oaths as by the said last-recited Act are required to be taken, or which by any other Act or Acts for appropriating the Supplies granted or to be granted by Parliament are or at any Time hereafter shall be required to be taken by any Officer or Person claiming to be entitled to Half Pay or Retired Full Pay, or by any Widow of an Officer claiming any Pension, or by any Person claiming an Allowance on the Compassionate List, or any Allowance as of His Majesty's Royal Bounty, may be taken before any Justice of the Peace or other Person duly authorized to administer an Oath, or before any One of the Officers for the Time being in the Office of the said Paymaster General next herein-after named; (that is to say,) the Chief Cashier and his Deputy, the Cashier of Half Pay and the First Examiner of the same, the Cashier of Widows Pensions and the First Examiner of the same; and every such Justice of the Peace and other such Person as aforesaid, and every such Officer as aforesaid, is hereby respectively authorized to administer any such Oath accordingly.

Bill not liable to Stamp Duty.

VII. And be it further enacted, That no Bill of Exchange or Remittance Bill which shall be drawn under or by virtue of this Act, in respect of any Half Pay, Pension, or Allowance, (except Retired or Superannuation Allowance of any Person who shall be entitled thereto by reason of his having served any Civil Office,) nor any Receipt or Acquittance indorsed on any such Bill of Exchange or Remittance Bill, shall be liable to or charged with any Stamp Duty whatever.

Persons excluded from Benefit of Act.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That no Person residing out of His Majesty's Dominions shall be entitled to the Privilege and Benefit given and intended by this Act.

The SCHEDULE to which this Act refers.

FORM of the CERTIFICATE or ORDER for drawing a Bill for Half Pay or Pension under the Authority of the Act, et cetera, et cetera.

HALF PAY or PENSION.

being entitled to the Sum of [on account of Half Pay as a reduced in the *or* Pension, *or* Retired or Superannuated Allowance, as a *as the Case may be*], from the First Day of to the Day of One thousand eight hundred and thirty , is hereby authorized to draw

draw the following Bill upon the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces for the said Sum of

N. B.—This Bill is not to be separated from the Authority for drawing it.

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Three Days after Sight please to pay to or Order, the Sum of being the Amount of [Half Pay due to me as a reduced in the *or* Pension, *or* Retired *or* Superannuation Allowance, as a *as the Case may be*], for the Time above mentioned.

To the Right Honourable
the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces,
Whitehall.

N. B.—By the Act the forging of this Bill, or procuring any other Person to forge the same, is made Felony; and the Punishment is Transportation for Seven Years, or Imprisonment for Four Years.

Should any Part of this Bill be cut off or be otherwise defaced it will not be paid.

CAP. CVII.

An Act for regulating for Three Years, and from thence until the End of the then next Session of Parliament, the Care and Treatment of Insane Persons in *England*.

[11th *August* 1832.]

'WHEREAS an Act was made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to regulate the Care and Treatment of Insane Persons in* England, and which Act was amended by another Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act to explain, amend, and alter the Act of the Ninth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for regulating the Care and Treatment of Insane Persons in* England: And whereas it is expedient that the Provisions of the said Acts should be amended and consolidated, for the more effectually carrying into execution the Purposes thereof;' 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 from and after the passing of this Act the said recited Acts of the Ninth and Tenth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth shall be and the same are hereby repealed: Provided always, that until the Appointment of Commissioners and Visitors, and their respective Clerks, under the Provisions of this Act, the Authority of the Commissioners and Visitors, and of their respective Clerks, appointed under the said recited Acts, shall continue as if given by this Act; and that all Matters and Things at any Time done or directed to be done by them respectively under the said recited Acts or this Act shall be and remain as good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said recited Acts had not been repealed, and as if such Commissioners and Visitors and

9 G. 4. c. 41.

10 G. 4. c. 18.

Recited Acts repealed; but existing Appointments to continue until others are made.