rities herein contained, every Person so offending shall forfeit and pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds, and be dismissed from his Office.

Orders of Council to be laid before Parliament.

X. And be it further enacted, That every Order which may be so made as aforesaid by the Lords of His Majesty's Privy Council, or by any Two or more of them, shall be forthwith laid before both Houses of Parliament, if Parliament shall be then sitting, and that such Orders as shall be so made when Parliament shall not be sitting shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within Fourteen Days next after the Commencement of the first Session which shall ensue upon the Date of any such Order.

Continuance of Act.

XI. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall continue in force until the Thirty-first Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, and from thence until the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

Act may be altered this Session.

XII. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be altered, amended, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

CAP. XI.

An Act for the Prevention, as far as may be possible, of the Disease called the Cholera, or Spasmodic or *Indian* Cholera, in *Scotland*. [20th *February* 1832.]

'WHEREAS it has pleased Almighty God to visit the United Kingdom with the Disease called the Cholera, or Spasmodic or *Indian* Cholera: And whereas, with a view to prevent, as far as may be possible, by the Divine Blessing, the spreading of the said Disease, it may be necessary that Rules and Regulations should from Time to Time be established within Cities, Towns, or Districts affected with or which may be threatened by the said Disease; but it may be impossible to establish such Rules and Regulations by the Authority of Parliament with sufficient Promptitude to meet the Exigency of any such Case as it may occur:' 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 it shall and may be lawful for the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, or any Two or more of them (of whom the Lord President of the Council or One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for the Time being shall always be One), by any Order or Orders to be by them from Time to Time made, to establish, and again from Time to Time, by any such Order or Orders, to revoke, renew, alter, and vary all such Rules and Regulations as to them may appear necessary or expedient for the Prevention, as far as may be possible, of the spreading of the said Disease called the Cholera, or Spasmodic or *Indian* Cholera, within *Scotland* or any Part thereof, or for the Relief of any Persons suffering under or likely to be affected by the said Disease, and for the safe and speedy Interment of any Person or Persons who may die of the said Disease; with Power also to the said Honourable Privy Council to appoint Persons resident in *Scotland* to superintend and assist in the Execution of this Act, and to vest such Persons with

Lord President of Council, &c. empowered to issue Orders at any Time to prevent the spreading of Cholera in Scotland.

such Powers and Authorities for this Purpose as to them may seem fit.

Orders to be certified by a Clerk of the Privy Council, and received as Evidence.

II. And be it further enacted, That every such Order as aforesaid shall be certified under the Hand of One of the Clerks in Ordinary of His Majesty's Privy Council; and that the Publication of any such Order in the *London Gazette* shall, for all Intents and Purposes, be taken, admitted, and received in all Courts, and by and before all Judges, Justices, Magistrates, and others, as good and sufficient Evidence of the making and of the Date and Contents of any such Order.

Penalty for Violation of Orders.

III. And be it further enacted, That any Person who shall or may violate or wilfully and knowingly infringe the Provisions of any such Order, or who shall or may refuse or wilfully neglect or omit to act in obedience to or in conformity with any such Order, or shall resist, oppose, or obstruct the lawful Execution thereof, shall for every such Offence be and be deemed guilty of a Crime punishable by Fine and Imprisonment, and shall also incur and become liable to a Penalty not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than One Pound, to be recovered in the Manner herein-after mentioned: Provided always, that no Person against whom any such Penalty shall be so recovered shall be liable to be indicted or proceeded against in respect of the same Offence as for a Crime.

Recovery of Penalties.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all such Penalties as aforesaid shall be recovered by the Procurator Fiscal of Court, or any Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, before any Two Justices of the Peace having Jurisdiction within the County, City, Burgh, or Place in which the Offence shall have been committed, or before the Sheriff of any such County; and that the Amount of the Penalties to be inflicted upon any such Offenders shall, within the Limits herein-before prescribed, be, in the Discretion of such Justice or Sheriff, applied to the Purposes of this Act.

Sheriffs, &c. empowered to determine Complaints.

V. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Sheriff or Justices before whom any Complaint for the Recovery of such Penalties may be brought to proceed in a summary Way, and to grant Warrant for bringing the Parties complained upon immediately before them, and on Proof on Oath by One or more credible Witnesses, or other legal Evidence, forthwith to determine and give Judgment in such Complaint, without any written Pleadings or Record of Evidence, and to grant Warrant for the Recovery of all Penalties and Expences decerned for, failing Payment within Eight Days after Conviction, by Poinding, and Imprisonment for a Period, at the Discretion of the Sheriff or Justices, not exceeding Fourteen Days.

Monies for Purposes of this Act how to be levied in Burghs and Towns.

VI. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Expences which may be reasonably or properly incurred in carrying into effect any Order or Orders of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council so to be made as aforesaid shall, whenever the Occasion of such Expence has arisen within any Burgh or Town having a local Establishment of Police, be levied and defrayed by a special Assessment to be from Time to Time made for this Purpose by Authority of the Magistrates of such Burgh or Town, upon the Persons and Properties within the same which are now assessed for Purposes of Police, and that according to the Rules, Methods, and Proportions hitherto observed in such Places in collecting such Police Assessments; and that wherever the

the Occasion of Expence shall arise in any other Parish in *Scotland*, the Sum necessary for defraying the same shall be levied by a special Assessment to be made from Time to Time, and to be collected at such Periods as the Emergency of the Case may require, upon the Properties and Persons within each such Parish, in the same Manner, and according to the same Rules, Methods, and Proportions, that are now or that may be practised and established within any such Parish for the Assessment and Collection of the Sums payable as Conversion of the Statute Labour exigible within any such Parish either by any General or any Local Statute now in force as to any such Parish.

One Person in Privy Council Office to send Letters and Packets from London free from Duty, during such Time only as this Act shall continue in operation.

VII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord President for the Time being of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council to authorize and direct One Person in the Privy Council Office (whose Name shall be from Time to Time transmitted to the Secretaries of the General Post Office in *London* and *Dublin*) to send Letters and Packets by the General Post from *London* to Places within the United Kingdom free from the Duty of Postage, during such Time only as the several Clauses and Enactments herein contained shall continue and be in operation, but no longer; provided all such Letters and Packets shall relate solely and exclusively to the Execution of this Act, and of the Directions, Powers, and Authorities herein contained, and shall be in Covers with the Words "On His Majesty's Service, Council Office," printed on the same, and be signed or subscribed on the Outside thereof, under such Words, with the Name of the Person so to be authorized as aforesaid, in his own Handwriting, and provided all such Packets shall be sealed with the Seal of the said Office; and the Person so to be authorized is hereby strictly forbidden so to subscribe and seal any Letter or Packet whatever, except such only concerning which he shall receive the special Directions of his superior Officer, or which he shall himself know to relate solely and exclusively to the Execution of this Act, and the Directions, Powers, and Authorities herein contained; and if such authorized Person, or any other Person, shall send or cause or permit to be sent, under any such Cover, any Letter, Paper, or Writing, or any Inclosure, other than what shall relate to the Execution of this Act, and the Directions, Powers, and Authorities herein contained, every Person so offending shall forfeit and pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds, and be dismissed from his Office.

Orders of Council to be laid before Parliament.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That every Order which may be so made as aforesaid by the Lords and others of His Majesty's Privy Council, or by any Two or more of them, shall be forthwith laid before both Houses of Parliament, if Parliament shall be then sitting, and that such Orders as shall be so made when Parliament shall not be sitting shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within Fourteen Days next after the Commencement of the first Session which shall ensue upon the Date of any such Order.

Continuance of Act.

IX. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall continue in force until the Thirty-first Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, and thenceforward until the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

Act may be altered this Session.

X. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be altered, varied, or repealed by any Act to be passed in this Session of Parliament.

CAP. XII.

An Act for raising the Sum of Twelve Millions by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

[20th *February* 1832.]

'Most Gracious Sovereign,

'WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the 'Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and '*Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, towards raising the necessary 'Supplies which we have cheerfully granted unto Your Majesty 'in this Session of Parliament, have resolved to give and grant 'unto Your Majesty the Sum herein-after mentioned;' and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and 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 for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* at any Time or Times to cause or direct any Number of Exchequer Bills to be made out at the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Twelve Millions, in the same or like Manner, Form, and Order, and according to the same or like Rules and Directions, as are prescribed in an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for regulating the issuing and paying off of Exchequer Bills.*

The Treasury may raise 12,000,000*l.* by Exchequer Bills, in like Manner as is prescribed by 48 G. 3. c. 1.

The Clauses, &c. in recited Act extended to this Act.

II. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities contained in the said Act shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said several Clauses or Provisoes had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

Treasury to apply the Money raised.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury to issue and apply from Time to Time all such Sums of Money as shall be raised by Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act to such Services as shall then have been voted by the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in this present Session of Parliament.

Bills to be payable out of Supplies of the next Session;

IV. And be it further enacted, That the Principal Sum or Sums of Money to be contained in such Exchequer Bills shall be and are hereby charged and chargeable upon and shall be paid and discharged by and out of the first Supplies to be granted in the next Session of Parliament.

Interest on Exchequer Bills.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act shall bear Date on the Days on which the same shall be respectively issued, and shall and may bear

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