suant to Two Acts passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, and in the First and Second Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries in the United Kingdom; and also the Sum of Sixty thousand Pounds, to be paid into the Exchequer by the United Company of Merchants of *England* trading to the *East Indies*, towards the Expence of Retiring Pay, Pensions, and Allowances to His Majesty's Forces serving in *India*, in pursuance of an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth; and the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the Time being, are or is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

and 60,000*l.* to be paid by the East India Company.

CAP. VII.

An Act for the Relief of His Majesty's Subjects in *Ireland* being Protestants of the Established Church, and to repeal an Act passed in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to remove some Doubts respecting Persons in Office taking the Sacramental Test.* [20th *February* 1832.]

'WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for the Relief of His Majesty's faithful Subjects the Protestant Dissenters of this Kingdom, and to repeal a Clause in the Act of the Second of Queen* Anne, *intituled 'An Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery,' as far as the same relates to the Protestant Dissenters,* whereby, after reciting a certain Clause of an Act made in the said Parliament of *Ireland* in the Second Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Anne*, intituled *An Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery*, it was enacted, that all and every Person or Persons, being Protestants, should and might have, hold, and enjoy any Office or Offices, Civil or Military, and receive any Pay, Salary, Fee, or Wages belonging to or by reason of such Office or Place, notwithstanding he shall not receive or have received the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, as in the said recited Clause is prescribed, without incurring any of the Penalties in the said Act or any other Act enacted, for or in respect of his Neglect of receiving the same: And whereas by an Act made in the said Parliament of *Ireland* in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to remove some Doubts respecting Persons in Office taking the Sacramental Test*, it was declared and enacted, that the said Act of the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of His Majesty King *George* the Third did not and doth not extend, and shall not be deemed, taken, and construed to have extended, to Protestants of the Church of *Ireland* as by Law established, but to Protestant

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'Dissenters only: And whereas it is not expedient that Protestants, 'being Members of the Established Church, should be subjected 'to any Test from which Protestant Dissenters are exempt;' 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 the said recited Act passed in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third shall be and the same is hereby repealed from and after the passing of this Act.

Recited Act of 33 G. 3. repealed.

II. And be it further declared and enacted, That the said Act of the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third doth and shall be deemed and taken and construed to extend and to have extended to Protestants of the Church of *Ireland* as by Law established and to Protestant Dissenters alike.

Recited Act 19 & 20 G. 3. to extend to Protestants and Dissenters alike.

III. And be it further enacted, That all Persons being Protestants of the Established Church, and now in the actual Possession of any Office, Command, Place, Trust, Service, or Employment, or in the Receipt of any Pay, Salary, Fee, or Wages in respect of or as a Qualification for which, by virtue of or under the beforementioned Act of the Second Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Anne*, or any other Act or Acts, they respectively ought to have heretofore taken or ought hereafter to receive the said Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, or to file a Certificate thereof, shall be and they are hereby confirmed in the Possession and Enjoyment of the said several Offices, Commands, Places, Trusts, Services, Employments, Pay, Salaries, Fees, and Wages respectively, notwithstanding their Omission or Neglect to take or receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, or to file such Certificate thereof, and shall be and are hereby indemnified, freed, and discharged from all Incapacities, Disabilities, Forfeitures, and Penalties whatsoever already incurred or which might hereafter be incurred in consequence of any such Omission or Neglect; and that no Election of or Act done or to be done by any such Person, or under his Authority, and not yet avoided, shall be hereafter questioned or avoided by reason of any such Omission or Neglect, but that every such Election and Act shall be as good, valid, and effectual as if such Person had duly received the said Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and filed such Certificate in the Time and Manner prescribed by the said Act of the Second Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Anne;* any thing in the said Act, or in any other Act or Acts, to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

Persons now in Possession of any Office which heretofore required the taking of the Sacrament confirmed in such Possession, and indemnified from Penalties.