

C A P. IIV.

An Act for the more speedy Trial of Offences committed in distant Parts upon the Sea.

[23d May 1806.]

28 H. 8. c. 15.

17 et 12 Gul. 3.

All Offences
whatever, com-
mitted on the
Sea, &c. may
be tried in any
of His Majesty's
Islands, &c. by
virtue of the
King's Com-
mission under
the Great Seal;
and Commis-
sioners shall
have Powers as
under 28 H. 8.
c. 15.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament, made in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of King *Henry* the Eighth, it is enacted, That all Treasons, Felonies, Robberies, Murders, and Confederacies, committed on the Sea, shall be enquired of, tried, and determined, according to the common Course of the Laws of this Land used for such Offences upon the Land within this Realm: And whereas by another Act of Parliament, made in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King *William* the Third, intituled, *An Act for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy*, it is enacted, that all Piracies, Felonies, and Robberies, committed on the Sea; or in any Haven, River, Creek, or Place, where the Admiral or Admirals have Power, Authority, or Jurisdiction, may be examined, enquired of, tried, heard, and determined, and adjudged, in any Place at Sea; or upon the Land, in any of His Majesty's Islands, Plantations, Colonies, Dominions, Forts, or Factories, to be appointed for that Purpose by the King's Commission, in the Manner therein directed, and according to the Rules of the Civil Law: And whereas Treasons, Murders, and divers other Felonies and Misdemeanours, not mentioned in the said Statute of the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King *William* the Third, cannot be tried by virtue of any Commission directed under that Act, but the Persons committing, or charged with having committed the same upon the Seas in or near the *East or West Indies*, and in Places very remote, can only be brought to Trial by sending them to *England* to be tried within this Realm, under the Commission directed by the said Statute of the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of King *Henry* the Eighth; whereby not only great Charges and Expences are incurred, but Offenders do oftentimes escape unpunished by reason of the Delay and Difficulties attending such Prosecutions: For Remedy whereof, and in order that one uniform Course of Trial may be had for all Treasons, Piracies, Felonies, Robberies, Murders, Conspiracies, and other Offences committed upon the Seas; 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 all Treasons, Piracies, Felonies, Robberies, Murders, Conspiracies, and other Offences of what Nature or Kind soever, committed upon the Sea, or in any Haven, River, Creek, or Place, where the Admiral or Admirals have Power, Authority, or Jurisdiction, may be enquired of, tried, heard, determined, and adjudged, according to the common Course of the Laws of this Realm used for Offences committed upon the Land within this Realm, and not otherwise, in any of His Majesty's Islands, Plantations, Colonies, Dominions, Forts, or Factories, under and by virtue of the King's Commission or Commissions, under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, to be directed to any such Four or more discreet Persons as the Lord Chancellor of *Great Britain*, Lord Keeper, or Commissioners for the Custody of the Great Seal of *Great Britain* for the Time being, shall from Time to Time think fit to appoint; and that the said Commissioners so to be appointed, or any Three of them, shall have such and the like Powers and Authorities for the Trial of all such Murders, Treasons, Piracies, Felonies, Robberies, Conspiracies, and other Offences, within any such Island, Plantation, Colony, Dominion, Fort, or Factory, as any Commissioners appointed or to be appointed according to the Directions of the said Statute of the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of King *Henry* the Eighth, by any Law or Laws now in force, have or would have for the Trial of the said Offences within this Realm; and that all Persons convicted of any of the said Offences, so to be tried by virtue of any Commission to be made according to the Directions of this Act, shall be subject and liable to, and shall suffer all such and the same Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures, as by any Law or Laws now in force, Persons convicted of the same respectively would be subject and liable to in case the same were respectively inquired of, tried, heard, determined, and adjudged, within this Realm, by virtue of any Commission made according to the Directions of the said Statute of the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of King *Henry* the Eighth; any Law, Statute, or Usage, to the contrary notwithstanding.

C A P. LV.

An Act to provide for the Payment, at the Bank of *Ireland*, of the Interest on certain Debentures now payable at the Exchequer of *Ireland*; and also for altering the Days of Payment of the Interest or Dividends on certain Annuities in *Ireland*.

[9th June 1806.]

The Treasury
of *Ireland* (with
Consent of Lord
Lieutenant)
may order the
Interest on
Debentures, &c.
now payable at
the Exchequer
to be payable at
the Bank;

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the Payment at the Bank of *Ireland* of the Interest on the Debentures herein-after mentioned, and also for the Payment of the Interest or Dividends on the Annuities herein-after mentioned, at the Days and Times herein-after specified, 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 if at any Time after the passing of this Act, it shall appear expedient to the Lord High Treasurer of *Ireland*, or to the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of *Ireland*, or any Three or more of them, that the Interest on Debentures and Annuities for Years, and Annuities for Lives, or any of them, now payable at the Exchequer of *Ireland*, should be paid and payable at the Bank of *Ireland*, it shall be lawful for the said Lord High Treasurer, or for the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, and he and they is and are hereby empowered, by and with the Consent of the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, for the Time being, to give such Orders and Directions in that Respect, as shall appear necessary for the Payment of the Interest on such Debentures and Annuities for Years, and Annuities for Lives, at the Bank of *Ireland*; any Act or Acts, or any Usage or Custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

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