

C A P. LXXVI.

An Act for repealing two Acts, made in the thirty-second and thirty-sixth Years of the Reign of his present Majesty, for the more effectual Administration of the Office of a Justice of the Peace, in such Parts of the Counties of *Middlesex* and *Surrey*, as lie in and near the Metropolis, and for the more effectual Prevention of Felonies; and for making other Provisions in lieu thereof; and for increasing the Salaries of the Justices at the *Thames* Police Office, until the first Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

[22d June 1802.]

32 G. 3. c. 53.
36 G. 3. c. 75.

32 G. 3. c. 53.

36 G. 3. c. 75.
recited,

and repealed.

The Seven
Publick Offices
now established,
and the Justices
acting therein,
shall be conti-
nued.His Majesty
may appoint Jus-
tices to fill up
Vacancies.
Justices shall
attend at certain
Hours.No Justice, &c.
shall take Fees
but at the Pub-
lick Offices on
Penalty of 100l.;except Fees for
licensing Ale-
houses under 26
G. 2. c. 31. or
Fees taken at
the Publick Office
in Bow Street,
&c.Account of Fees,
&c. taken at the
Seven Offices
shall be deliver-
ed monthly to
the Receiver,

WHEREAS an Act was made in the thirty-second Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the more effectual Administration of the Office of a Justice of the Peace, in such Parts of the Counties of Middlesex and Surrey, as lie in and near the Metropolis, and for the more effectual Prevention of Felonies*; which was to continue in force until the first Day of *June* one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; which, by another Act, made in the thirty-sixth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, was continued for the Term of five Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament: And whereas it is expedient that the said Acts should be repealed, and more effectual Provisions made in lieu thereof: May it therefore please your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's most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Authority of the same, That the said Acts shall, from and after the passing of this Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That the several Publick Offices now established in the following Places; namely, the Parishes of *Saint Margaret Westminster*, *Saint James Westminster*, *Saint James Clerkenwell*, *Saint Leonard Shore-ditch*, *Saint Mary Whitechapel*, and *Saint Paul Shadwell*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and at or near *Saint Margaret's Hill* in the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surrey*, shall be continued, and the several Persons appointed by his Majesty to execute the Office of Justice of the Peace at each of the said Offices, by virtue of the said Act, shall continue to execute the same, together with such other Justices of the Peace for the said Counties respectively as may think proper to attend.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for his Majesty, from Time to Time, upon any Vacancy in any of the said Offices, by Death or otherwise, to appoint other fit and proper Persons, being Justices of the Peace of the said Counties of *Middlesex* and *Surrey* respectively, to execute the Duties of the said Office in his Place; and that one or more of the said Justices, so appointed as aforesaid, shall diligently attend at each of the said Publick Offices every Day, from ten of the Clock in the Morning until eight of the Clock in the Evening, and at such other Times and Places as shall be found necessary; and that two of the said Justices so to be appointed as aforesaid shall in like Manner attend together at each of the said Offices, from twelve of the Clock at Noon until three in the Afternoon, and from six of the Clock in the Evening until eight of the Clock in the Evening of every Day: Provided always, that the Attendance of one of the said Justices may be supplied during the Hours at which the Attendance of two is required as aforesaid, by any other Justice of the Peace for the said Counties of *Middlesex* or *Surrey* respectively.

IV. And be it enacted, That no Justice or Justices of the Peace for the County of *Middlesex*, County of *Surrey*, City and Liberty of *Westminster*, or Liberty of the Tower of *London*, or his or their Clerk or Clerks, or any Person for them, other than at the said Publick Offices, shall, directly or indirectly, upon any Pretence or under any Colour whatever, take or receive any Fee, Gratuity, Reward, or Recompence, for any Act by him or them done or to be done in the Execution of his or their Office or Employ as Justice or Justices of the Peace, Clerk or Clerks as aforesaid, within the Limits of the Weekly Bills of Mortality, or within the Parishes of *Saint Mary-le-Bone*, *Paddington*, *Saint Pancras*, *Kensington*, and *Saint Luke at Chelsea*, in the said County of *Middlesex*, upon Pain of forfeiting the Sum of one hundred Pounds for every such Offence, to be recovered, one Moiety thereof to the Receiver appointed in the Manner herein-after mentioned, to be applied to the Purposes of this Act, and the other Moiety thereof, with full Costs of Suit, to the Person or Persons who shall sue for the same in any of his Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Esloign, Privilege, Wager of Law, or more than one Imparance shall be allowed: Provided always nevertheless, that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to any Fees taken at any General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, or at any Meeting of Justices for the Purpose of licensing Alehouses, pursuant to an Act, passed in the twenty-sixth Year of his late Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for regulating the Manner of licensing Alehouses in that Part of Great Britain called England, and for the more easy convicting Persons selling Ale and other Liquors without Licence*, or to any Fees taken at a certain Publick Office within the Liberty of *Westminster*, known by the Name of *The Publick Office in Bow Street*, or to any Fees taken by any Vestry Clerk, or his Assistant, as Clerk to any Justice or Justices of the Peace acting within the Parish in which such Justice or Justices reside, for the Purpose of enforcing the Payment of any Taxes or Assessments arising within the same Parish, or for the Purpose of hearing and determining any Offence cognizable before a Justice or Justices of the Peace by virtue of any Statute made and provided for the special Regulation or Government of such Parish.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Justices so appointed to attend at the said seven Publick Offices as aforesaid, and their Clerks respectively, shall, in Books to be provided for that Purpose, keep a full, true, and particular Account of all the Fees taken and received at each of the said Offices, together with all Penalties and Forfeitures which shall have been recovered, levied, or received, in pursuance of any Adjudication, Conviction, or Order, had or made at any of the said seven Publick Offices, or any Process or Warrant issuing from the same;

to which said Books and Accounts the Receiver, to be appointed in Manner hereinafter mentioned, shall at all Times have free Access; and the said Justices shall once in every Month deliver unto such Receiver, such Account verified upon Oath by such Justice or Justices, their Clerk or Clerks, and such other Person or Persons as shall be employed in keeping such Accounts respectively, or any Part thereof, before some Justice of the Peace for the said County of *Middlesex* or County of *Surrey*, as the Case may be; which Oath such Justice is hereby authorized and required to administer; and shall pay and cause to be paid the Amount of all such Fees unto such Receiver, to be applied in Manner hereinafter mentioned; any Law, Statute, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

and the Amount of Fees paid to him, &c.

VI. And be it further enacted, That all such Penalties and Forfeitures, and Shares of Penalties and Forfeitures, as are or shall be limited and made payable to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, or to any Description of Persons other than the Informer or Informers, who shall sue for the same, or any Party grieved, and which shall be recoverable in a summary Way before a Justice or Justices of the Peace, and which shall be recovered or adjudged before any Justice or Justices of the Peace at either of the said seven Publick Offices, shall be accounted for and paid into the Hands of the Receiver to be appointed in Manner herein-after mentioned by the Justice, Clerk, Constable, Officer, or other Person or Persons who shall levy or receive the same, to be applied by such Receiver in Manner herein-after mentioned; any Law, Statute, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

All Penalties (except to Informers or Parties grieved) recovered at the Publick Offices shall be paid to the Receiver.

VII. And be it further enacted, That if the said Justices appointed as aforesaid, or any other Person, having received any such Fees at any of the said seven Publick Offices, shall neglect to account for and pay the same in Manner aforesaid, or if any Justice, Justice's Clerk, Constable, Officer, or other Person, who shall levy or receive such Penalties or Forfeitures, or Shares of Penalties or Forfeitures, shall neglect to pay the same into the Hands of such Receiver in Manner aforesaid, or if any Person, having resigned such Office of Receiver, or having been removed from the same, shall neglect, within twenty-one Days after Notice for that Purpose, to account for and pay into the Hands of the succeeding Receiver all such Sums of Money as shall remain in his Hands applicable to the Purposes of this Act, it shall be lawful for such Receiver for the Time being, in his own proper Name only, or by his Name and Description of Office, to sue for and recover the same, with Double Costs of Suit, in any of his Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Action of Debt or on the Case, in which Action it shall be sufficient for such Receiver to declare as for Money had and received to the Use of such Receiver for the Purposes of this Act; and the Defendant or Defendants in such Action may, at the Discretion of any Judge of such Court, be held to Special Bail in such competent Sum as such Judge shall order and direct; and in any such Action against any such Person so liable to account as aforesaid, the said Court in which such Action shall be brought may, if such Court shall think proper, at the Instance of either of the Parties, refer the Account in Dispute in a summary Manner to be audited by any Officer of the said Court, or other fit Person at their Discretion, who may examine both Plaintiff and Defendant upon Oath (which Oath the said Person shall have Power to administer); and upon the Report of such Referee, unless either of the Parties shall shew good Cause to the contrary, such Court may make such a Rule or Order either for the Payment of such Sum as upon such Report shall appear to be due, or for staying the Proceedings in such Cause, and upon such Terms and Conditions as to the same Court shall appear reasonable and just; or the said Court may order Judgment to be entered up by Confession for such Sum as upon such Report shall appear to be due.

If Fees, &c. are not accounted for, the Receiver may sue for the same in any Court of Record at *Westminster*, &c.

VIII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That in case of the Death of any Receiver continued or appointed by virtue of this Act, or of any Person having resigned or been removed from such Office, or of any of the other Persons whom the said Receiver for the Time being is authorized to sue as aforesaid, then and in such Case the Receiver for the Time being may in his own proper Name only, or by his Name and Description of Office, sue for and recover such Sum of Money as shall have been remaining in the Hands of such deceased Receiver or other Person, applicable to the Purposes of this Act, or the Executors or Administrators of such Person deceased; in which Action it shall be sufficient for the Plaintiff in Substance to state that the Deceased was indebted to the Plaintiff for Money had and received for the Purposes of this Act, or, that the Deceased died possessed of Money had and received for the Purposes of this Act, whereby an Action accrued to the Plaintiff to demand and have the same of such Executors or Administrators, and the like Action shall and may be brought against any Executors or Administrators of Executors or Administrators; in all which Actions the Defendant or Defendants may plead in like Manner and avail themselves of the like Matters in their Defence, as in any Action founded upon simple Contracts of the original Testator or Intestate; and in all Actions to be brought by such Receiver by virtue of this Act, Proof of the Plaintiff's acting in the Execution of such Office, shall be sufficient Evidence of his holding the same, unless the contrary can be shewn in Evidence by the Defendant or Defendants in such Action.

Receiver may sue for Money in the Hands of deceased Receivers, &c. and recover from Executors, &c.

IX. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice of his or their Privy Council, to direct the Salaries herein-after mentioned to be paid to the Justices so appointed to attend each of the said seven Publick Offices, for their Time and Trouble, and such further Sums for the Expences of the said Offices, and for the Payment of Clerks, Peace Officers, and others therein employed, in such Manner as to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice of his or their Privy Council, shall seem meet: Provided always, that the yearly Salary paid to each of the Justices shall be five hundred Pounds clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatever: Provided also, that the whole Charges attending the said Offices (the said Salaries being included), shall not exceed the annual Sum of eighteen thousand Pounds over and above the necessary Disbursements for hiring and repairing the Houses or Buildings wherein the said seven Publick Offices shall be held.

His Majesty in Council may order Salaries of 500l. each to the Justices, &c. Whole Expence not to exceed 18,000l.

X. And be it further enacted, That the Receiver appointed by virtue of the Act herein-before recited and repealed may be continued in his said Office, it shall and may be lawful for his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice of his or their Privy Council, upon any Vacancy in the said Office of Receiver by Death or otherwise, to appoint any other proper Person, not being one of the Justices appointed to act at either of the

Present Receiver to be continued in Office, and in case of Death, &c. his Majesty

may appoint another.
Duty of Receiver.

Offices aforesaid, to be the Receiver of the said seven Publick Offices ; which said Receiver, or the Receiver now appointed under and by virtue of the herein-before recited Act, shall keep an exact and particular Account of all such Monies as shall be received by him, by virtue of any Provisions of this Act, and shall apply the same quarterly in Discharge of the Salaries, Expences, and Charges attending the said Publick Offices, and the carrying this Act into Execution, and shall make all such Contracts and Disbursements as shall be necessary for the hiring, fitting up, and furnishing proper and sufficient Houses or Buildings, wherein the said seven Publick Offices shall be held, in such Manner as his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice and Consent of his or their Privy Council, shall think proper to direct and appoint ; of which said Premises so to be hired, and the Fixtures and Furniture thereof, and of all other Necessaries to be purchased for the Purposes of this Act, the Property or Interest so acquired therein shall be vested in the Receiver for the Time being, who shall and may in like Manner sell, assign, and dispose of the same, or any Part thereof, under the like Directions and Appointments, as Occasion shall require ; and such Receiver shall forthwith after his Appointment prepare proper Plans and Estimates of all such Contracts and Disbursements as shall be necessary for the Purposes aforesaid, and shall deliver the same to his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department ; and such Receiver shall further do and execute all such other lawful Matters and Things towards the Establishment of the said seven Publick Offices, and towards the carrying this Act into Execution, as his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice of his or their Privy Council, shall from Time to Time think proper to direct.

Receiver shall account on Oath to the Treasury.

XI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That such Receiver shall, every six Months, and oftener if required, deliver to the Lord High Treasurer, or the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury for the Time being, a full and particular Account of all Monies by him received and paid as aforesaid, with Vouchers for the same, which Account shall be verified upon Oath before any Justice or Baron of any of his Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster* ; and such Receiver for his Care and Pains in the Execution of such Office, shall and may retain to his own Use, out of the Monies so received by him as aforesaid, such Sum not exceeding four hundred Pounds in each Year, as his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice of his or their Privy Council, shall direct and appoint : Provided always, that if it shall appear that the Monies herein-before directed to be applied by the said Receiver, in Discharge of the Salaries, Expences, and Charges attending the said seven Publick Offices, and the carrying this Act into Execution as aforesaid, shall not be sufficient to defray the same, the Deficiency shall be made up and supplied out of the Consolidated Fund ; and if at the End of any Year there shall be any Surplus in the Hands of such Receiver, he shall pay the Amount of such Surplus into the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, and the same shall be carried to and made Part of the said Consolidated Fund.

His Allowance.

Deficiency or Surplus shall be supplied by or carried to Consolidated Fund.

His Majesty in Council may alter the Situation, &c.

XII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice of his or their Privy Council, to make such Alterations in the Places where any of the said seven Publick Offices shall be situated, or to make such Alterations in the Hours of Attendance therein, and to make all such other Regulations to be observed in conducting the same, as he or they from Time to Time shall think proper.

Acts directed to be done by the nearest Justice may be done by a Justice of the next Publick Office.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That where by any Law now in being or hereafter to be made, any Act is directed or authorized to be done by any Justice or Justices of the Peace residing in or near or next the Parish or Place where any Offence or other Matter cognizable before them shall be committed, or shall arise, the same Jurisdiction shall and may be exercised by a Justice or Justices acting in such of the said seven Publick Offices as may be situated next or near such Parish or Place.

Justices incapacitated from sitting in Parliament.

XIV. Provided always, and be it enacted and declared, That no Justices of the Peace appointed as aforesaid, shall, during the Continuance in such Appointment, be capable of being elected or of sitting as Members of the House of Commons.

No Justice, Receiver, or Constable, under this Act, shall interfere in Elections of Members, on Penalty of 100l. ;

XV. And be it further enacted, That no Justice, Receiver, or Constable, nominated and appointed as aforesaid by virtue of this Act, shall, during the Time he or they shall continue in their respective Offices, or within six Months after he or they shall have quitted the same, be capable of giving his Vote for the Election of a Member to serve in Parliament for the Counties of *Middlesex* or *Surrey*, or for the City and Liberty of *Westminster*, or the Borough of *Southwark* respectively, nor shall, by Word, Message, Writing, or in any other Manner, endeavour to persuade any Elector to give, or to dissuade any Elector from giving his Vote for his Choice of any Person to be a Member to serve in Parliament for the said Counties, or for the said City and Liberty of *Westminster*, or Borough of *Southwark* ; and every such Justice, Receiver, or Constable as aforesaid, offending therein, shall forfeit the Sum of one hundred Pounds, one Moiety thereof to the Informer, the other Moiety thereof to the Use of the Poor of the Parish or Place where such Offence shall be committed, to be recovered by any Person that shall sue for the same by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of his Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, in which no Essoign, Protection, Privilege, Wager of Law, or more than one Imparance shall be allowed ; such Action to be brought within the Space of one Year after such Offence so committed : Provided nevertheless, that nothing in this Act shall extend or be construed to extend to subject any such Justice, Receiver, or Constable as aforesaid, to any Penalty or Penalties for any Act or Acts done by him or them, at or concerning any of the said Elections, in the Discharge of his or their Duty or Duties, in their said respective Capacities.

except in Discharge of their Duty.

Justices may employ and dismiss Constables ;

XVI. And be it further enacted, That the Justices appointed as aforesaid shall in their respective Offices retain and employ a sufficient Number of fit and able Men, whom they are hereby authorized and empowered to swear in, to act as Constables for preserving the Peace, and preventing Robberies and other Felonies, and apprehending Offenders against the Peace within the said Counties of *Middlesex* and *Surrey* respectively, as well by Night as by Day : which said Constables so appointed and sworn as aforesaid, shall have all such Powers and Authorities,

Authorities, Privileges and Advantages, as any Constable duly appointed now has or hereafter may have, by virtue of any Law or Statute now made or hereafter to be made, and shall obey all such lawful Commands as they shall from Time to Time receive from the said Justices for the apprehending Offenders, or otherwise conducting themselves in the Execution of their said Office or Employment; and such Justices, or any two of them, shall and may at any Time dismiss from his said Employment every such Constable belonging to their respective Offices whom they shall think remiss or negligent in the Execution of his Duty or otherwise unfit for the same, and appoint such others in their Stead as to them shall seem meet: Provided always, that no greater Number than eight shall at one and the same Time be so retained as aforesaid at any one of the said Publick Offices: Provided also, that if any Person so appointed a Constable as aforesaid shall be dismissed from his said Employment as aforesaid, all Powers and Authorities vested in him as a Constable under and by virtue of this Act shall immediately cease and determine to all Intents and Purposes whatever.

not exceeding eight at each Office.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Receiver, out of the Monies herein-before directed to be applied in Discharge of the Salaries, Expences, and Charges attending the said Publick Offices, shall and may pay to the Constables so appointed as aforesaid, for their Trouble and Attendance as aforesaid, any Sum not exceeding sixteen Shillings per Week, and any extraordinary Expences they shall appear to have been necessarily put to in apprehending Offenders and executing the Orders of the Justices acting under and by virtue of this Act; such extraordinary Expences being first examined and approved of by the Justices attending the Office in which such Constables shall have been respectively appointed.

Receiver shall pay Constables 16s. per Week, and extraordinary Expences.

XVIII. And whereas divers ill-disposed and suspected Persons and reputed Thieves frequent the Avenues to Places of publick Resort, and the Streets and Highways, with Intent to commit Felony on the Persons and Property of his Majesty's Subjects there being; and although their evil Purposes are sufficiently manifest, the Power of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace to demand of them Sureties for their good Behaviour, hath not been of sufficient Effect to prevent them from carrying their evil Purposes into Execution; be it enacted, That, from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for any Constable, Headborough, Patrole, or Watchman, to apprehend every such Person, and convey him or them before any Justice of the Peace; and if it shall appear before the said Justice, upon the Oath of one or more credible Witness or Witnesses, that such Person or Persons is or are a Person or Persons of evil Fame, and a reputed Thief or Thieves, and such Person or Persons shall not be able to give a satisfactory Account of himself or themselves, and of his or their Way of living, and it shall also appear to the Satisfaction of the said Justice, that there is just Ground to believe that such Person or Persons was or were in such Avenue, Street, or Highway as aforesaid, with such intent as aforesaid, every such Person shall be deemed a Rogue and Vagabond within the Intent and Meaning of the Statute, made in the seventeenth Year of his late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, *An Act to amend and make more effectual the Laws relating to Rogues, Vagabonds, and other idle and disorderly Persons, and to Houses of Correction.*

Constables, &c. may apprehend any suspicious Person, and convey him before a Justice, and if it appear upon Oath that he is a reputed Thief, &c. he shall be deemed a Rogue, within 17 G. 2. c. 5.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That every such Conviction shall be in the following Form of Words, as the Case may happen, or in any other Form of Words to the like Effect.

BE it remembered, That on the _____ Day of _____ A. B. was brought before me _____ in the Year _____ [as a Person of evil Fame, or reputed Thief, as the Case may be], and was not able to give a satisfactory Account of himself, or of his Way of living; and I do, in pursuance of an Act passed in the forty-second Year of his present Majesty [here insert the Title of this Act], adjudge him to be [Rogue and Vagabond]. Given under my Hand and Seal this _____ Day of _____

Form of Conviction.

And that such Conviction shall be good and effectual in Law to all Intents and Purposes, and shall not be quashed or set aside, or adjudged void or insufficient for Want of any Form of Words whatever, nor shall the same be removed by *Certiorari* into his Majesty's Court of King's Bench.

No *Certiorari*, &c.

XX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if any Person shall think himself aggrieved by the Judgment of such Justice as aforesaid, such Person may appeal to the Justices of the Peace at the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the County or Place wherein the Cause of Complaint shall have arisen, such Person at the Time of his Conviction, entering into a Recognizance with two sufficient Sureties, conditioned personally to appear at the said Sessions to try such Appeal, and to abide the further Judgment of the Justices at such Sessions assembled; and in case such Conviction shall be affirmed at such Sessions, the said Justices may adjudge such Person to be a Rogue and Vagabond, and proceed against such Person in the same Manner as they might have done if such Rogue and Vagabond had been committed to the House of Correction until such General or Quarter Sessions: Provided always, that no Person convicted under this Act shall thereby become liable to any other Punishment than Imprisonment to hard Labour for a Term not exceeding six Months, taking into the Computation any actual Imprisonment such Person shall have suffered by his Commitment until such Session.

Appeal to the Quarter Sessions.

If Conviction affirmed, Justices may proceed as if the Party had been committed.

Punishments shall not exceed 6 Months Imprisonment, &c.

XXI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to deprive the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London, of any Rights, Privileges, or Jurisdictions, which they have heretofore lawfully claimed, exercised, or enjoyed, within the Town and Borough of *Southwark* and the Liberties thereof; or to prevent the Mayor of the City of London for the Time being, and such of the Aldermen of the said City who have borne the Office of Mayoralty, and the Recorder of the said City for the Time being, from acting as Justices of the Peace within the said Town and Borough of *Southwark* and the Liberties thereof, in such and the like Manner as they could or might have done in case this Act had not been made.

Saving of the Jurisdiction of London in Southwark.

XXII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act shall extend or be construed to extend to deprive the Dean of the Collegiate Church of *Saint Peter, Westminster*, for the Time being, or the High

and of the Dean or the High

Steward of
Westminster.

Steward of the City and Liberty of *Westminster* for the Time being, or his lawful Deputy, of any Rights, Privileges, or Jurisdictions, which they have heretofore lawfully claimed, exercised, or enjoyed within the said City and Liberty, in such and the like Manner as they could or might have done in case this Act had not been made.

39 & 40 G. 3.
c. 87. § 5.

Instead of 400l.
to each of the
Thames Police
Justices, 500l.
shall be paid.

Expence of that
Office shall not
exceed 8,300l.

Continuance of
Act.

XXIII. ' And whereas by an Act, passed in the thirty-ninth and fortieth Years of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for the more effectual Prevention of Depredations on the River Thames, and in its Vicinity, and to amend an Act, made in the second Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, to prevent the committing of Thefts and Frauds by Persons navigating Bum Boats and other Boats on the River Thames*; it is amongst other Things provided, that the yearly Salary to be paid to each of the Justices who shall be appointed to attend the Publick Office established by that Act, shall be four hundred Pounds, clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatsoever; be it further enacted, That the yearly Salary to be paid to each of the said last-mentioned Justices shall, from and after the passing of this Act, be five hundred Pounds, clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatsoever: Provided also, that the whole Expences attending the said last-mentioned Publick Office, the last mentioned Salaries being included, shall not exceed the annual Sum of eight thousand and three hundred Pounds; any Thing in the above recited Act of the thirty-ninth and fortieth Years of his Majesty's Reign to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall continue in force until the first Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, and no longer.

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An Act to permit *British*-built Ships to carry on the Fisheries in the *Pacific Ocean*, without Licence from the *East India* Company, or the *South Sea* Company. [22d June 1802.]

British-built
Ships may pass
through the
Streights of *Ma-*
gellan, or round
Cape Horn, and
carry on the
Fisheries in the
Pacific Ocean,
&c. without
Licence from the *East India* Company or the *South Sea* Company.

WHEREAS it may tend to increase the Navigation and Fisheries of his Majesty's Subjects, if the Restrictions now subsisting with regard to Ships and Vessels navigating in the *Pacific Ocean*, between *Cape Horn* and one hundred and eighty Degrees of West Longitude from *London*, should be removed; 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, it shall and may be lawful for any *British*-built Ship or Vessel, owned and navigated according to Law, to pass through the Streights of *Magellan* or round *Cape Horn*, and to carry on the Fisheries in the *Pacific Ocean*, from *Cape Horn* to one hundred and eighty Degrees of West Longitude from *London*, and to trade within the said Limits, without having obtained any previous Licence, Permission, or Authority for that Purpose, from the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, or from the Governor and Company of Merchants of *Great Britain* trading to the *South Seas*; any Thing in any Law, Charter, Usage, or Custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

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An Act to authorize the licensing an additional Number of Hackney Coaches. [22d June 1802.]

* [9 Ann. c. 23.
11 G. 3. c. 24.]

Commissioners
may license an
additional Num-
ber of Hackney
Coaches, not ex-
ceeding 100, for
each of which a
weekly Sum of
5s. shall be paid.

Such Hackney
Coaches, &c.
shall be entitled
to the same Rates
and Benefits,
and be subject to
the same Rules
as those hereto-
fore licensed.

WHEREAS it is found expedient that a greater Number of Hackney Coaches than are allowed by two several Acts made in the ninth Year of the Reign of her late Majesty Queen *Anne*, and in the eleventh Year of the Reign of his present Majesty respectively, should be licensed to be employed within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, and the Suburbs thereof, and within all and every the Parishes and Places comprized within the Weekly Bills of Mortality: May it therefore please 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 the Commissioners for licensing and regulating Hackney Coaches for the Time being, or the major Part of them, shall have Power and Authority, and are hereby authorized, empowered, and required under their Hands and Seals, or under the Hands and Seals of the major Part of them, over and above the Number of one thousand Hackney Coaches authorized to be licensed by the said Acts, to license in like Manner at any Time or Times from and after the passing of this Act, any additional Number of Hackney Coaches not exceeding one hundred, to be employed for Hire within the Cities and Limits aforesaid, so that the Number of all the said Hackney Coaches, licensed or to be licensed by virtue of the said former Acts and this present Act, shall not at any one Time exceed one thousand and one hundred; and that upon every one of the said Licences to be granted in pursuance of this Act, there shall be reserved and made payable unto his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, the like respective weekly Sums of five Shillings of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, as is now payable upon any Licence granted before the passing of this Act, to be paid from the Commencement of every such Licence during the Continuance thereof respectively, in like Manner and under like Penalties, Covenants, Conditions, and Provisoos therein to be inserted, as in other Licences granted in pursuance of the several Acts now in force relating to Hackney Coaches; and that the same Hackney Coaches, and the Persons to be licensed to drive or keep the same, shall, in respect thereof, have the same Rates and Benefits and be subject and liable to all the same Orders, Rules, Regulations, Bye Laws, Pains, Penalties, Forfeitures, Matters, and Things, as are or were lawfully prescribed in relation to any Persons licensed to keep or drive Hackney Coaches, and the Renters of such Licences, and Drivers of such Coaches, before the passing of this present Act; and that all Persons who shall presume to drive or let to Hire, by the Hour or Day or otherwise, any Hackney Coach or Coach Horses, or to carry any Person or Persons for Hire in any Hackney Coach within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, or the Suburbs of the same, or within any of the Parishes or Places comprized within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, without such Leave