per Annum shall be charged by and paid to the said Governor and Company upon such Sum, until the same shall be issued and paid to the faid Governor and Company.

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An A& to unite and consolidate into One Fund all the Public Revenues of Great Britain and Ireland; and to provide for the Application thereof to the General Service of the United [1st July 1816.] Kingdom.

WHEREAS it hath become expedient, for further carrying into effect the Provisions and Purposes of Two several Acts for the Union of Great Britain and Ireland, (the One made in the Parliament of Great Britain in the Thirty ninth and Fortieth 'Years of His Present Majesty's Reign, and the other made in the Parliament of Ireland in the Fortieth Year of His faid Majesty's 4 Reign,) that all the Public Revenues of Great Britain and Ireland fhould be consolidated and applied to the Service of the United ' Kingdom;' 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 affembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, all Rates, Duties, Taxes, Receipts, Sums of Money and Revenues, of what nature or kind foever, which, under or by virtue of any Act or Acts in force in Great Britain or Ireland respectively at the time of the passing of this Act, and immediately before the said Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, shall or may constitute or form Part of, or be directed to be carried to the feveral Funds called the Confolidated Fund of Great Britain and the Consolidated Fund of Ireland respectively, shall be carried to, and shall be and become, and shall form and constitute One General Fund, to be called the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and that the said Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, whether the fame or any Part thereof shall be in the Exchequer of Great Britain or in the Exchequer of Ireland, shall, in the First Place, be charged and chargeable with, and shall from time to time be applied indiscriminately to the Payment of the whole of the Interest of the National Debts of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Sinking Funds applicable to the Reduction thereof, as One joint Consolidated National Debt, Interest and Sinking Fund; and in the next Place, the faid Confolidated Fund of the faid United Kingdom shall in like manner be charged and chargeable with, and shall be applied to the Payment of the Salaries and other Charges of His Majesty's Civil List Establishments in Great Britain and Ireland; and in the next Place, the faid Confolidated Fund of the faid United Kingdom shall be in like manner charged and chargeable with, and shall be applied in Payment of all other Charges whatsoever, made payable out of the Consolidated Funds of Great Britain or Ireland respectively, under or by virtue of any Act or Acts in force immediately before the said Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, and after Payment and Satisfaction of all the aforefaid Charges, the faid Confolidated Fund of the United Kingdom shall

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Confolidated Funds of Great Britain and Ireland shall become One General Consolidated Fund.

shall be in like manner indiscriminately applied to the Service of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or any Part thereof, as shall be directed by Parliament, and shall be issued and applied accordingly, in manner and under the Authority hereinafter mentioned and directed.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Fifth Day Offices of Treeof January One thousand eight hundred and seventeeen, the Offices of Lord High Treasurer of Great Britain and Lord High Treasurer of Ireland shall be united into One Office, and the Person holding the same shall be called Lord High Treasurer of the United King- by Commissiondom of Great Britain and Ireland; and that whenever there shall era. not be any such Lord High Treasurer, it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Great Brisain, to appoint Commissioners for executing the Offices of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain and Lord High Treasurer of Ireland; and that such Commissioners shall be called Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and that the faid Commissioners shall have all such Powers and Authorities in and through the whole of the faid United Kingdom, with respect to the Collection, Issuing and Application of the whole Revenues of the United Kingdom, as at the time of the passing of this Act, and immediately before the said Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, are or shall or may be vested in the Commissioners of the Treasury in Great Britain or Ireland respectively, by any Act or Acts of Parliament, or by any Law, Usage or Custom in force in Great Britain or Ireland respectively, by whatever Names or Descriptions such Commissioners of the Treasury shall or may have been at any time known or described; save and except in so far as any such Powers or Authorities may be altered or amended by this Act; and that all Officers and Officers of the other Persons concerned or employed in the Collection or Manage. Revenue subject ment of the Revenues in and through every Part of the United to Orders of the Kingdom, shall be in all respects subject to the Orders and Controul of the faid Lord High Treasurer or the said Commissioners of His Majefty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and shall be liable to all such Penalties and Punishments for Disobedience of such Orders as they are or would be subject or liable to under and by virtue of any Acts, Laws, Usages or Customs, with respect to the Powers of the Commissioners of the Treasury in force in Great Britain and Ireland respectively at the time of the passing of this Act and immediately before the said Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

III. And be it further enacted, That whenever in this Act, or in The Words any Act to be made at any time after the passing of this Act, the "Commissioners Words "Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury," or the Words of Treasury, "Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom " of Great Britain and Ireland," are or shall be used, the same shall be construed to extend and apply to the Commissioners for executing the Offices of the Offices of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain and Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, whenever such Commission shall be in force; and that all and every Act and Acts which at any time shall or may have been done or executed, or shall or may be done or executed by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury in Great Britain or Ireland or the United Kingdom respectively, under or by

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virtue or Authority of any Law, Statute, Usage or Custom, in force before the passing of this Act, shall be good, valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes, notwithstanding any Error or Omission in the Names or Descriptions whereby any such Commissioners of the Treasury shall or may have been at any time known, or named or defcribed.

A Vice Treafurer appointed.

IV. And be it further enacted, That (for the Purposes of issuing out of the Exchequer of Ireland all Sums which shall be paid into the fame, under or by virtue of the several Acts which now are or hereafter may be in force in Ireland for that Purpose, or which shall be paid into the same out of the General Revenue of the United Kingdom, under the Orders of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, from time to time, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Ireland, to appoint a Vice Treasurer for Ireland, with a yearly Salary not exceeding Two thousand Pounds British Sterling a Year, to be paid to fuch Person for the executing of the said Office, payable out of the Revenue appropriated to His Majesty's Civil List Establishment in Ireland.

Salary.

Vice Treasurer to take Oath before the Chancellor of Ireland.

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Vice Treasurer empowered to appoint a Deputy.

annual Establishment and Expences of the Office.

Money shall be issued out of the Treasury of Ireland on the Warrant of the Lord Lieutenant, counterfigued by the Vice Treasurer.

V. And be it further enacted, That fuch Vice Treasurer for Ireland to be appointed in manner aforesaid shall take such Oath before the Lord High Chancellor of *Ireland*, or before the Commissioners for the Custody of the Great Seal of Ireland, as was accustomed to be taken by the Vice Treasurer of Ireland, before the passing of an Act made in the Parliament of Ireland, in the Thirty fifth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled An Att for the better Regulation of the Receipts and Issues of His Majesty's Treasury; and for repealing an Act of Parliament passed in the Tenth Year of Henry the Seventh, intituled 'An A& authorizing the Treasurer to make all Officers as the Treasurer of England doth;' and that it shall and may be lawful for such Vice Treasurer for Ireland to appoint any Person to be his Deputy to act during his Absence or Incapacity from Sickness; and that all Acts done by such Deputy shall be as good and valid to all Intents and Purposes as if they were done by fuch Vice Treasurer in his own proper Person; and that such Vice Treasurer shall be answerable and responsible for all Acts done by Payment for the such Deputy in the Execution of the Duty of his Office; and that it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland from time to time, by his or their Warrant to the said Vice Treasurer, to order the Issue and Payment out of the faid Exchequer of any fuch Sum or Sums of Money for the annual Establishment and incidental and contingent Expences attendant upon the faid Office of Vice Treasurer, as the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland shall from time to time order and direct.

VI. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, no Money shall be issued out of the Receipt of the Exchequer of Ireland, otherwise than by the Vice Treasurer for Ireland, under the Authority of the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, in manner hereinafter mentioned; and that the faid Vice Treasurer shall not issue, nor cause to be issued, out of the said Receipt of the Exchequer of Ireland, any Sum or Sums of Money whatwhatfoever (except as hereinafter mentioned), until fuch Vice Treafurer shall have received a Warrant, under the Hand of such Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors, directed to the faid Vice Treasurer for that Purpose; and that the said Vice Treafurer shall countersign all such Warrants of such Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland; and that after fuch Counter Signature upon fuch Warrant, fuch Warrant shall be entered and marked by any Officer or Person thereto authorized by the faid Vice Treasurer, and whereof Notice shall be given by the faid Vice Treasurer to the Auditor General of the said Exchequer; and fuch Warrant, so being duly entered and marked, shall be a sufficient Authority to the said Auditor General of His Majesty's Exchequer of Ireland, for the Issue by the said Auditor General of his Order for Payment on the Teller of the faid Exchequer: Pro- Authority for vided always, that there shall be a sufficient Authority for all such such Payments. Payments under some Grant from His Majesty, or some of his Royal Predecessors, or under some Act or Acts of Parliament in that behalf, and not otherwise; and that all such Payments shall not exceed the Amount authorized under the respective Acts by virtue of which fuch Issues shall be made, or the annual Grants of Parliament, as the fame shall be specified in the Appropriation Acts of each Session.

VII. Provided always, and he it enacted, That all Warrants Warrants prior which shall have been signed by the Commissioners for executing the to Jan. 5, 1817, Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, bearing Date on or be- to be paid. fore Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, and which shall then remain in the Office of the Auditor General of the Exchequer, unsatisfied and unpaid, or partly unsatisfied or unpaid, shall be good, full and sufficient Authority to the said Auditor General for the Issue of his Order to the Teller of the Exchequer for Payment, until the full Amount of such Warrants be satisfied and paid; any thing hereinbefore contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

VIII. And, in order that no Annual Grants of Parliament may Issues for Ireland be exceeded, be it further enacted, That all Grants under the Great to be recorded in or Privy Seal or Sign Manual of His Majesty, his Heirs or Success- the Exchequer fors, King's Letters or King's Warrants, directing the Issue of any of Great Britain. Money for Services in Ireland out of fuch Annual Grants, shall be entered and recorded in the Office of the Auditor of the Exchequer in Great Britain, who shall cause the Entry thereof to be certified thereon, and the same to be forthwith returned to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in order to their being transmitted to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

IX. And Whereas great Inconvenience would arise to the Public Service if the Issues from the Exchequer in either Part of the United Kingdom, for the Payment of Interest and Sinking Fund of the

National Debt, and of fuch Charges as, according to the Practice heretofore prevailing in the faid Exchequers respectively, have

usually been paid immediately before or after the Close of every

Ouarter, were delayed until the respective Quarterly Accounts of the Exchequers of Great Britain and Ireland were made up and

fettled;' For preventing of fuch Inconvenience, be it enacted, That in regard to the Exchequer in Great Britain, it shall be lawful Issues may be for the Lord High Treasurer, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's made from the

Exchequers in Treasury



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Great Britain and Ireland, for Payment of Interest and Sinking Fund of National Debt, &c. without waiting for Quarterly Accounts.

Quarterly Accounts of Confolidated Fund in Great Britain and Ireland shall be transmitted from each Country to the other, and depolited in the feveral Exchequers.

Treasury may direct the Isfue of any Part of the Quarterly Surplus of Confolidated Fund in either Exchequer, for the Purpole of Remittance to the ether.

Issues may be made in Ireland out of Confolidated Fund, for current Services

Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or any Three or more of them for the time being; and, with regard to the Exchequer in Ireland, it shall be lawful for the Vice Treasurer for Ireland, under Warrant of the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the time being, in manner by this Act provided, to direct the Issue of all such Sums as may be necessary for the Payment of the Interest and Sinking Fund of the National Debt, which shall be payable in either Part of the United Kingdom, and of all fuch Charges as have heretofore usually been defrayed out of the Consolidated Funds thereof respectively, immediately before or after the Close of every Quarter, although the Accounts of the respective Exchequers shall not have been made up and fettled; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

X. And be it further enacted, That as foon as the Quarterly Accounts of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom shall have been made up in the respective Exchequers of Great Britain and Ireland, a Copy of the Account of such Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, as shall have arisen in Great Britain within the preceding Quarter, shall be drawn out and certified by the Auditor of the Exchequer there, and be transmitted to the Lord High Treasurer, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the time being, who shall cause the same to be transmitted to the Vice Treasurer for Ireland, with Directions to him to cause the same to be deposited in the Office of the Receipt of the Exchequer in Ireland, for the Information of the proper Officers there; and a Copy of the Account of fuch Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom as shall have arisen in Ireland within the preceding Quarter, shall in like manner be drawn out and certified by the Auditor General of the Exchequer there, and be transmitted to the Lord High Treasurer, or Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, who shall order the same to be deposited in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt of the Exchequer in Great Britain, for the Information of the proper Officers there.

XI. And be it further enacted, That whenever the Surplus of Consolidated Fund remaining in the respective Exchequers of Great Britain or Ireland at the Close of any Quarter, shall have been ascertained and certified as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the Lord High Treasurer or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or any Three or more of them, by Warrant under his or their Hand or Hands, as the case may be, to order and direct that all or any Part of such Surplus remaining in the Exchequer of either Part of the United Kingdom, shall be iffued to such Person or Persons as in such Warrant may be named, for the Purpole of being remitted and transferred to the Exchequer of the other Part of the United Kingdom, as the Exigencies of the Public Service of the United Kingdom may appear to them to require.

XII. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to prevent any Issues being made from the Exchequer in Ireland out of the growing Produce of the Confolidated Fund arising from time to time in that Part

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of the United Kingdom, for the necessary current Services thereof as heretofore, according to the invariable Course and Practice which hath heretofore to be made good prevailed there; fuch Issues, nevertheless, to be made in the Form in the British and manner directed by this Act: Provided always, that on or be- Exchaquer. fore the First Day of February in every Year, an Account shall be made up in the Exchequer of Ireland, of all Sums which shall have been iffued out of the growing Produce of the Confolidated Fund, arising there during the respective Quarterly Periods commencing and ending as aforesaid, for defraying the current Services of Ireland, specifying in such Account the Heads of Service for which such Iffues were made; which Account shall be certified by the Auditor General of His Majesty's Exchequer there, and shall be forthwith transmitted by the Vice Treasurer to the Lord High Treasurer, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and such Lord High Treasurer, or Commissioners, or any Three or more of such Commissioners, as the case may be, shall thereupon, by a Warrant under his or their Hand or Hands, order and direct that out of any of the Aids or Supplies of the Year remaining in the Exchequer in Great Britain, applicable to the Discharge of such Sum or Sums respectively, a Sum or Sums equal to fuch certified Amount of the Issues made out of the growing Produce of the Confolidated Fund, arising in Ireland for defraying the current Services there, shall be carried and placed to the Account and Credit of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom within fuch Quarter, and the same shall thereupon be carried and placed to fuch Account and Credit by the Auditor of the Receipt of His Majetty's Exchequer in Great Britain, and by the Auditor General of His Majesty's Exchequer in Ireland.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That so much of an Act made So much of in the Parliament of Ireland, intituled An A& for vefting a certain 37 G. 3. (1.) Fund in Commissioners at the End of every Quarter of a Tear, to be by missioners for the them applied to the Reduction of the National Debt, and to direct the Reduction of Application of additional Funds in case of future Loans to the like National Debt in Purposes; or of any Act for amending the same, as directs that Ireland, recertain Persons shall be Commissioners for carrying into Execution pealed: the Purposes of the said Act, shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and that from from and after the Fifth Day of January One thousand British Commiseight hundred and seventeen, the Commissioners for the Reduction of sioners shall be the National Debt of Great Britain shall be and become Commissioners for the Reducfor the Reduction of the National Debt of the United Kingdom; and tion of the Nathat the faid Commissioners shall have all such Powers and Authorities tional Debt of as are or may be given in and by any Act or Acts in force in Great the United Britain or Ireland, relative to the Reduction of the National Debt Kingdom. of Great Britain or the National Debt of Ireland; and that the feveral Sums which under and by virtue of several Acts in force in Great Britain and Ireland respectively, are required to be set apart at the Receipt of the Exchequer of Great Britain and the Receipt of the Exchequer of Ireland respectively, on account of the Commisfioners for the Reduction of the National Debt of Great Britain and of the National Debt of Ireland, shall continue to be so set apart; and that all fuch Sums fo fet apart, or any Part or Parts thereof, shall and may be isseed and paid from time to time into the Bank of England or into the Bank of Ireland, as shall be directed and required by the Lord High Treasurer or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Trea-

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missioners for U. K. sufficient Authority to the Banks of England and Ireland for paying Money.

Two additional Commissioners of the Treasury to be appointed for Irish Business.

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iury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the time being, and shall be from time to time applied, under the Direction of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, in the Purchase of such Capital Stock, Funds, Debentures or Annuities, or towards any public Loan either in Great Britain or Ireland, as shall feem most expedient to the said Commissioners for the Reduction of Orders of Com- the National Debt of the United Kingdom; and that the Orders of the faid Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt of the United Kingdom shall at all times be sufficient Authority to the Goyernor and Company of the Bank of England and of the Bank of Ireland, for paying any Part of the Money from time to time remaining in the Bank of England or Bank of Ireland, on account of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt of the United Kingdom, to any Person or Persons, in order to its Remittance from one Part of the United Kingdom to the other, for the Purposes of this Act; and also for the Application of any such Money to the Purchase of any Stock, Funds, Debentures or Annuities, or towards any Public Loan in Great Britain or Ireland, any thing in any Act or Acts to the contrary in anywife notwithstanding.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That in consequence of the Increase of Business which will result from the Provisions of this A&, it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty to nominate and appoint Two Persons to be Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and to fit and act as fuch, with and in addition to the Number of Commissioners which may now by Law be appointed for the executing the Office of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain, with a yearly Salary not exceeding for each of fuch Commissioners such Salary as is now received by each of the faid Commissioners for executing the said Office of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain, to be paid to such Two Commissioners out of the Revenues appropriated to His Majesty's Civil List Establishment in Ireland; any thing in an Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Queen Anne, intituled An Att for the securing of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the Succession to the Crown of Great Britain in the Protestant Line, or in any other Act or Acts to the contrary in anywise notwithftanding.

Lieutenant equi- of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, in all cases not otherwise specially provided for by this Act, where, under the Provisions of any Act or Acts in force immediately before the passing of this Act, any Warrant, Licence, Order or Document, has been required to be figned by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland (except in cases relating to the Revenue of Ireland) a Warrant or other proper Document, as the case may be, signed by the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the time being, shall be of like Validity, Force and Effect, as any such Warrant, Licence, Order or Document of fuch Commissioners, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever; and that in all cases where by any Act or Acts in sorce in Ireland, the Approbation of the faid Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland has been required or made necessary

(except as aforefaid), the Approbation of the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, fignified by his or

XV. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Fifth Day

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their Chief Secretary, or in the Absence of such Chief Secretary, by the Under Secretary for the Civil or Military Department, as the case may require, shall be of like Validity, Force and Effect as the Approbation of fuch Commissioners to all Intents and Purposes whatfoever.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That the Appointment of any Vice Treasurer Person, to be Vice Treasurer for Ireland, nor the Appointment of any and Commis-Person or Persons to be Commissioner or Commissioners of His fioners of the Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Treasury may Ireland, shall not, nor shall any such Appointment be deemed or ment. taken to be an Appointment or Appointments to a new Office or new Offices, or Place or Places of Profit under The Crown; and that any Person so to be appointed Vice Treasurer for Ireland, or One of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, shall not, nor shall any of them be thereby disabled from sitting or voting as a Member of the House of Commons, nor shall he be thereby rendered incapable of being elected a Member of the House of Commons; any thing in any Act or Acts to the contrary in anywife notwithstanding.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That the Appointment of any Appointment of Person, being One of the Commissioners of the Treasury of Great a Commissioner Britain or Ireland, to be One of the Commissioners of His Majesty's of Treasury of Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, shall G. B. to be one for U. K. shall not make void the Election of any fuch Person respectively, nor shall not vacate Seat. any new Writ issue for a new Election in consequence of the Acceptance of any fuch Appointment; any thing in any Act or Acts

to the contrary in anywife notwithstanding.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That all the Provisions, Rules, Powers of Regulations and Directions contained in the Act made in the Parlia- 35 G. 3. (I.) ment of Ireland in the Thirty fifth Year of His present Majesty's for regulating Reign, intituled An All for the better Regulation of the Receipts and Issues of Irish Iffues of His Majesty's Treasury; and for repealing an Att of Par- Treasury, conliament paffed in the Tenth Year of Henry the Seventh, intituled ' An tinued, except as All authorizing the Treasurer to make all Officers as the Treasurer of altered by this England doth,' shall be and remain and continue in full Force and Act. Effect, except only so far as any of the said Provisions, Rules, Regulations and Directions are altered by this Act, or by any other Act or Acts in force immediately before the passing of this Act: Pro- Powers of Irish vided always, that in all cases where any Powers or Authorities are Treasury to be . by the said recited Act given to the Commissioners for executing the exercised by Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, such Powers and Au- 1 reasurer U.K. thorities shall be vested in and exercised by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and

XIX. And be it further enacted, That the Quarterly Accounts of Quarterly Acthe Receipts, Issues and Remains of the Exchequer of Ireland, as counts of Audiprepared by the Auditor General of the Exchequer of Ireland, and tor General to be examined and heretofore examined and figned under the Provisions of the faid recited figned by Vice Act of the Thirty fifth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, by the Treasurer, and Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of certified by him Ireland, shall, from and after the Fifth Day of January One thousand to Treasury of eight hundred and seventeen, be examined and signed by the Vice Treafurer for Ireland; and that certified Abstracts of all such Accounts shall be by him from time to time regularly transmitted to the Lord

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High Treasurer, or to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury

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Weekly Abfiract from Auditor General, Clerk of the Pells, and Bank of Ireland, to be transmitted to Vice Tressurer; and Duplicates thereof, with all other Returns and Abstracts, transmitted to Treasury of U. K.

XX. And be it further enacted, That the feveral Weekly Abstracts or Certificates of Receipts, Issues and Remains in the Treasury of Ireland, required by the said recited Act of the Thirty fifth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, to be made by the Auditor General, Clerk of the Pells and Teller of the Exchequer of Ireland, to the Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, or to the Commissioners for executing the faid Office, and also the Weekly Declaration or Abstract of the Receipts and Payments on account of the Teller of the Exchequer, required by the faid Act to be made out by the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland, and transmitted to the said Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners for executing the said Office, shall from and after the Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be made out and transmitted Weekly to the Vice Treasurer for Ireland; and that Copies or Duplicates of all the aforesaid Weekly Abstracts, Certificates and Declarations, together with all other Returns, Certificates, Abstracts, Accounts or Declarations, which by the faid recited Act are directed to be furnished or transmitted to the Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, or to the Commissioners for executing the said Office, shall from and after the faid Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be made out and transmitted to the Lord High Treasurer, or to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, at and for such Periods as are required and directed in and by the faid recited Act, with respect to all such Abstracts, Accounts or Declarations respectively.

XXI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Vice Treasurer for Ireland for the time being, by Warrant under the Hand of fuch Vice Treasurer, directed to the Auditor General of the Exchequer of Ireland, to order the Islue and Payment out of the faid Exchequer of all fuch Duties or Taxes as shall have been actually paid into the said Exchequer for any Local or Special Purposes in Ireland, under or by Authority of any Act or Acts in force in Ireland, and fuch Issue and Payment shall be made to all Bodies Politic or Corporate, or other Persons authorized by Law

to receive the fame accordingly.

Certain Public Accounts to be laid annually before

Parliament.

Vice Treasurer may order Pay-

ment of Local

Duties, &c.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and eighteen, the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the time being shall annually cause an Account of the Total Income of the faid United Kingdom, including all Duties of Customs, Excise, Stamps and Incidents in Great Britain and Ireland respectively, and all other the ordinary Revenues and extraordinary Resources of the said United Kingdom, to be prepared and made out for One Year, ending on the Fifth Day of January in each Year, together with an Account of the Income of the Confolidated Fund of the faid United Kingdom, for every fuch Year; and also of the actual Payments thereout within the faid Year, and of the future annual Charge upon the faid Fund as the same stood on that Day; and also an Account of the Net Produce of all the permanent Taxes of the faid United Kingdom within the faid Year; and also an Account of the Arrears and Balances due from all public Accountants on the faid Fifth Day of January in each Year; and also

an Account of the Exports and Imports of the faid United Kingdom, and of the Shipping registered in or belonging to the several Ports of His Majesty's Dominions within the said Year; and also an Account of the Public Expenditure of the faid United Kingdom within the faid Year; and also an Account of the Public Funded Debt of the faid United Kingdom, and the Reduction thereof; and also an Account of the Unfunded and Outstanding Debt of the said United Kingdom, as the same stood respectively on the Fifth Day of January in each Year; and also an Account shewing how the Monies given for the Service of the faid United Kingdom for the Year preceding the faid Fifth Day of January have been disposed of, and that the faid Commissioners shall in each Year cause such Accounts to be laid before both Houses of Parliament on or before the Twenty fifth Day of March in each Year, if Parliament shall be then fitting, or if Parliament shall not then be sitting, within Fourteen

Days after the next Sitting of Parliament.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Annual Ac-Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and eighteen, the count to be laid Vice Treasurer for Ireland for the time being shall annually cause an before Parlia-Account to be prepared and made out for One Year, ending on the Treasurer. Fifth Day of January in each Year, shewing the Amount of all Warrants which have passed through his Office in the Course of such Year, distinguishing the same under the several Heads set forth in the Accounts of Public Expenditure, required by Law to be annually laid before Parliament; and that the faid Vice Treasurer shall cause such Accounts to be laid before both Houses of Parliament on or before the Twenty fifth Day of March in each Year, if Parliament shall be then sitting, or if Parliament shall not be then fitting, within Fourteen Days after the next Sitting of Parliament.

* XXIV. And Whereas the Chancellor of the Exchequer of Ire-· land for the time being is by virtue of his Office a Governor, Vilitor,

Member or Constituent Part of several Colleges, Corporations and Charitable and other Public Societies or Institutions in Ireland; Be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, the Vice Treasurer Vice Treasurer of Ireland shall, in virtue of his Office, be and become shall be deemed a Governor, Visitor, Member and Constituent Part of all such Col- a Governor of leges, Corporations and Charitable and other Public Societies and Institutions in Ireland, of which the Chancellor of the Exchequer of Ireland hath at any time heretofore been a Governor, Visitor, Member or Constituent Part, in Right of his Office under any Act of Parliament, Charter, Bye Law, Ufage or Custom whatsoever, in torce in Ireland immediately before the passing of this Act; and it May frank and shall be lawful for the said Vice Treasurer for the time being to send receive Letters and receive Letters and Packets by the Post, free from the Duties of free. Postage within the United Kingdom, in the same manner and under fuch Restrictions as the Chancellor of His Majesty's Exchequer in Ireland has been authorized by the Laws now in force to fend and receive Letters and Packets free from Postage.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That all Rules, Orders and Di- Existing Orders rections, which at the time of the passing of this Act, or at any time of Irish Treabefore the faid Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred fury declared and seventeen, shall have been made or issued by the Commissioners valid, until revoked by Lord for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, with Lieutemant or respect to the Receipt or Payment, Issue or Remittance of any Public Treasury of K k 3 Money, U. K.

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Treasury and Revenue Accounts, &c. in Ireland, and all Accounts to Parliament, to fate Amount of Sums therein in British Curzency.

Money, or with respect to any matter or thing within the Jurisdiction of the faid Commissioners, shall be and remain in full force until the fame shall be revoked or altered by the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, or by the Lord High Treasurer, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and that all cords of the Irish Records, and all Minute Books and Entries of the Proceedings of the faid Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, and all other Books, Deeds and Papers whatsoever, now belonging to or in the Custody of the said Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland, shall be delivered over to, and shall remain in the Custody of the Vice Treasurer for Ireland, for the time being, under the Orders and at the Disposition, nevertheless, of the Lord High Treafurer, or Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the time being, in the Offices in the Caftle of Dublin, now occupied by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland; and the Business of the Department of the said Vice Treasurer shall, from and after the Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be transacted and carried on in the said Offices and in the Apartments thereunto belonging.

"XXVI. And Whereas it is expedient by producing Uniformity in all Returns and Statements to Parliament, with respect to the 4 Public Revenues and Expenditure of the United Kingdom, that the Amount of fuch Revenues and Expenditure shall be made to appear in British Currency, in whatever Part of the United Kingdom fuch Revenues or Expenditure shall have arisen or taken ' place;' Be it therefore enacted, That from and after the Fifth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, all Accounts of all Receipts and Payments which shall be made out of any of the Public Revenues, Duties or Taxes in Ireland, and also all Accounts of all Payments into and Issues out of the Receipt of the Exchequer in Ireland, shall be kept in such Form and Manner, that the total Amount of all Sums under each respective Head of Account, in all Accounts and Papers relating to Accounts to be laid before Parliament, shall be stated in British Currency; and that it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of Ireland for the time being, at any time after the passing of this Act, and for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, at any time after the faid Fifth Day of January One thoufand eight hundred and seventeen, to give such Orders and Directions as to them shall seem fitting and expedient for accomplishing the Purposes hereby intended to be carried into Effect.

' XXVII. And Whereas Doubts have arisen as to the Mode of 6 discharging Persons being Public Accountants in Ireland, in respect of Money issued to them out of the Treasury of Ireland or otherwife, whose Accounts have been audited by the Commissioners of Public Accounts, or the Commissioners of Military Accounts in that Part of the United Kingdom, and it is proper and necessary that Provision should be made for that Purpose; Be it therefore enacted, That in all cases where the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts in Ireland, or the Commissioners of Military Ac-

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counts in Ireland, shall have audited and certified, or shall hereafter anta for Money audit and certify any Account whatfoever of any Public Accountant, iffued to them and it shall satisfactorily appear to the said Commissioners respectively. &c. upon such Examination and Proof as to them shall seem expedient; that such Accountant is even and quit with the Public on such Account, it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts, and for the faid Commissioners of Military Accounts, and they are hereby respectively authorized and required, under their Signature, to acquit and discharge, and grant a Quietus to such Public Accountant; and such Acquittance, Dis- Quietus. charge or Quietus, shall be good, valid and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes, and shall be taken and received by any Court of Law or Equity in the United Kingdom, in bar of any Suit or Process against such Public Accountant who shall have received the same for any matter or thing touching the Period of Account, with respect to which such Acquittal, Discharge or Quietus shall have been

XXVIII. And, in order that all Public Accountants shall be Commissioners fully apprifed of and prepared with the necessary Documents or Proofs to entitle them to demand and receive fuch Acquittal, Difcharge or Quietus from the said Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts, or the faid Commissioners of Military Accounts respect- be produced for ively; be it enacted, That the faid Commissioners shall respectively, obtaining such as soon after the passing of this Act as may be, determine upon the Quietus. Nature and Form of the Documents and Proofs required to be produced to them respectively for the Purposes aforesaid; and that the faid Commissioners shall, by public Advertisement under their Hands, to be inserted in the Dublin Gazette, in Three succeeding Publications thereof, and in any other manner which they shall think fit, notify and declare the Nature and Form of fuch Documents and Proofs to all Public Accountants under their respective Department; and it shall not be lawful for the said Commissioners to alter or change the Nature or Form of any such Documents or Proofs to required, until the Expiration of Three Calendar Months after the Nature and Form of such new Documents and Proofs shall have been notified and declared by Public Advertisement in the Dublin Gazette, and otherwise in manner aforesaid.

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CAP. XCIX.

An Act to vest the Elgin Collection of ancient Marbles and Sculpture in the Trustees of the British Museum for the Use of the Public. [1st July 1816.]

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament made and passed in 26 G. 2. c. 22 the Twenty fixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled An All for the Purchase of the Museum or Collection of Sir Hans Sloane, and of the Harleian Collection of Manuscripts; and for providing one general Repository for the better Reception and more convenient Use of the said Col-· ledions, and of the Cottonian Library, and of the Additions thereto, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Great Britain, the Lord Treasurer of Great Britain, or the First Commissioner of the Treasury, the Lord Pre-4 fident of the Council, the Lord Privy Seal, the Lord High Ad-

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