scribed by 1 & 2 G. 4. c. 121.

'*and to render perpetual and amend an Act passed in the Fifty-fourth Year of His late Majesty, for the effectual Examination of the Accounts of certain Colonial Revenues:* And whereas it may be expedient to alter the quarterly Periods prescribed by the said Act for the making up and transmitting the General Imprest Certificates made out in the Office of the Auditor of the Exchequer;' be it therefore further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord High Treasurer, or the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, and they are hereby authorized and empowered (if they shall deem it expedient), from Time to Time to order and direct that the quarterly Periods for which the said General Imprest Certificates shall hereafter be made up shall end on other Days instead of those prescribed by the said Act, and to appoint and name such other Days for that Purpose; and the said General Imprest Certificates shall be made out accordingly, and shall be transmitted to the aforesaid Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts within Thirty Days after each of the said quarterly Days to be appointed and named as aforesaid, instead of the Days prescribed by the said Act.

Imprest Certificates to be transmitted to Commissioners of Audit.

## CAP. CV.

An Act for the better Support of the Dignity of the Speaker of the House of Commons; and for disabling the Speaker of the House of Commons for the Time being from holding any Office or Place of Profit, during Pleasure, under the Crown. [11th *August* 1832.]

30 G. 3. c. 10.

'WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Thirtieth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for the better Support of the Dignity of the Speaker of the House of Commons; and for disabling the Speaker of the House of Commons for the Time being from holding any Office or Place of Profit, during Pleasure, under the Crown,* wherein it was recited that the Commons of *Great Britain* in Parliament assembled, being desirous of making Provision for enabling the Speaker of the House of Commons for the Time being more effectually to support the Dignity of the said Office, and the Expence necessarily attending the same, had resolved that for that Purpose a Sum should be issued at the Exchequer, which, together with the Fees and Allowances of Five Pounds *per* Day payable on account of the said Office, might amount to the clear yearly Sum of Six thousand Pounds: And whereas it is expedient to provide for the Payment of the said yearly Sum of Six thousand Pounds out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and to appropriate the Fees now payable to the Speaker of the House of Commons to the Fee Fund of the said House:' 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 Speaker of the House of Commons for the Time being shall be entitled to and shall have and receive the clear yearly Sum of Six thousand Pounds, and the same shall be charged upon and made payable out of the

The Speaker of H.C. to receive a yearly Sum, in lieu of Fees, &c.

Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and shall be paid quarterly at the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, at the Four most usual quarterly Days of Payment in the Year, (that is to say,) the Fifth Day of *January*, the Fifth Day of *April*, the Fifth Day of *July*, and the Tenth Day of *October* in every Year; and such Payments shall be made out of the said Consolidated Fund, after paying, or reserving sufficient to pay, all such Sum and Sums of Money as may have been directed, by any Act or Acts of Parliament passed previously to the said recited Act, to be paid out of the same, but with Preference to all other Payments which shall have been or may hereafter be charged upon or payable out of the said Fund; and the said Sum of Six thousand Pounds shall be in lieu and instead of any Fees heretofore paid to the said Speaker, and of an Allowance of Five Pounds *per* Day heretofore usually made to him out of His Majesty's Civil List Revenues, and also of the Payments directed to be made to him under and by virtue of the said recited Act; and the Receipt of the said Speaker for the Time being shall be a sufficient Discharge for the same.

Treasury to direct a Debenture to be passed by Officers of the Exchequer for Payment of the Salary.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord High Treasurer or the Commissioners of the Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, and they are hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under their Hands, to direct a Debenture to be made forth and passed by the proper Officers at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, from Time to Time, for paying the said Sum in manner as aforesaid, or such Proportion of any quarterly Payment thereof as may be due at the Time of the Death or Resignation of any such Speaker, and as the same shall from Time to Time become due and payable, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act; which said Warrant and Debenture to be made forth and passed thereon respectively shall be sufficient Authority to the several and respective Officers of the Receipt of the Exchequer, now and for the Time being, for the Payment of such Sum, at the respective Days to be appointed for such Payments, without any further or other Warrant to be sued for, had, or obtained in that Behalf.

Sum to be free of all Taxes, &c.

III. And be it further enacted, That the said Sum hereby directed to be issued shall be free and clear from all Taxes, Impositions, Fees, and other Charges whatever; and the Speaker of the House of Commons for the Time being shall be free and clear of all Taxes, Impositions, Fees, and Charges in respect of such Sum; any thing herein contained in any Law or Statute to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Provision in case of a Dissolution.

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in case of any Dissolution of Parliament the Speaker of the House of Commons at the Time of such Dissolution shall for the Purposes of this Act be deemed to be the Speaker of the House of Commons until a Speaker shall be chosen by the new Parliament.

Speaker not to hold any Office under the Crown.

V. And be it enacted, That the Speaker of the House of Commons for the Time being shall not hold or enjoy, in his own Name or in the Name of any Person or Persons in Trust for him or for his Benefit, any Office or Place of Profit under the Crown during Pleasure.

Application of Fees.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the Fees which shall be received on account of the Speaker of the House of Commons shall from Time to Time be paid into the Hands of the Commissioners appointed by an Act passed in the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to repeal an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Year of His present Majesty, for establishing certain Regulations in the Offices of the House of Commons, and to establish other and further Regulations in the said Offices*, or of such Person or Persons as they shall by Warrant under their Hands and Seals appoint to collect the same; and the said Fees shall form Part of the Fund under the Care and Management of the said Commissioners.

52 G. 3. c. 11.

Commencement of Act.

VII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect from and after the first of the said Quarter Days which shall ensue after the Termination of the present Session of Parliament; and the first Payment of the said Annuity shall be due and payable upon the first of the said quarterly Days which shall follow the Commencement of this Act.

Recited Act of 30 G. 3. c. 10. repealed.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That from and after Ten Days after the Commencement of this Act the said recited Act passed in the Thirtieth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

## CAP. CVI.

An Act to enable the Officers in His Majesty's Army, and their Representatives, and the Widows of Officers, and Persons on the Compassionate List, and also Civil Officers on Retired or Superannuation Allowances payable by the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces, to draw for and receive their Half Pay and Allowances.

[11th *August* 1832.]

47 G. 3. Sess. 2. c. 25.

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Forty-seventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for the more convenient Payment of Half Pay and Pensions and other Allowances to Officers and Widows of Officers, and to Persons upon the Compassionate List*, certain Provisions were made respecting the Mode in which Officers in His Majesty's Forces, and Widows of any such Officers, and Persons receiving any Allowance or Pension on the Compassionate List, or any Pension, Allowance, or Relief in respect of any Military Service, should receive the same: And whereas it would tend to the greater Convenience and Advantage of such Persons if they were enabled to draw for such Half Pay, Pensions, and Allowances by Bills of Exchange on the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces for the Time being, instead of being paid the same in the Manner provided by the said Act, and likewise of such Persons as by reason of their having served any Civil Offices are on Retired or Superannuation Allowances payable by the said Paymaster General, if they were enabled to draw in like Manner for the same, instead of being paid in the Manner now provided;' 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,