

or people, or in the service of, or for, or under, or in aid of any person or persons exercising or assuming to exercise the powers of government in or over any foreign country, colony, province, or part of any province or people, either as an officer or a soldier, or in any other military capacity, or as an officer, or sailor, or marine, in any such ship or vessel as aforesaid, although no enlisting money, or pay, or reward, shall have been, or shall be, in any or either of the cases aforesaid actually paid to or received by him, or by any person, to or for his use or benefit, or if any person whatever within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or in any part of His Majesty's dominions elsewhere, or in any country, colony, settlement, island, or place, belonging to or subject to His Majesty, shall hire, retain, engage, or procure, or shall attempt, or endeavour to hire, retain, engage, or procure, any person or persons whatever to enlist, or to enter, or engage to enlist, or to serve, or to be employed in any such service or employment as aforesaid, as an officer, soldier, sailor, or marine, either in land or sea service, for, or under, or in aid of, any foreign prince, state, potentate, colony, province, or part of any province or people, or for, or under, or in aid of, any person or persons exercising, or assuming to exercise, any powers of government as aforesaid, or to go, or to agree to go, or embark, from any part of His Majesty's dominions, for the purpose or with intent to be so enlisted, entered, engaged, or employed as aforesaid, whether any enlisting money, pay, or reward, shall have been, or shall be actually given or received, or not, in any or either of such cases, every person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon being convicted thereof, upon any information or indictment, shall be punishable by fine and imprisonment, or either of them, at the discretion of the Court before which such offender shall be convicted:—

And it is further enacted, “that it shall and may be lawful for any justice of peace residing at or near to any port or place, within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, where any offence, made punishable by this Act as a misdemeanor, shall be committed, on information, on oath, of any such offence, to issue his warrant for the apprehension of the offender; and to cause him to be brought before such justice, or any justice of the peace; and it shall be lawful for the justice of the peace before whom such offender shall be brought, to examine into the nature of the offence upon oath, and to commit such person to gaol, there to remain until delivered by due course of law, unless such offender shall give bail to the satisfaction of the said justice, to appear and answer to any information or indictment to be preferred against him, according to law, for the said offence:—

And it is further enacted, “that in case any ship or vessel in any port or place within His Majesty's dominions, shall have on board any such person or persons who shall have been enlisted or entered to serve, or shall have engaged or agreed, or been procured to enlist or enter or serve, or

who shall be departing from His Majesty's dominions, for the purpose and with the intent of enlisting or entering to serve, or to be employed, or of serving or being engaged or employed in the service of any foreign prince, state, or potentate, colony, province, or part of any province or people, or of any person or persons exercising, or assuming to exercise, the powers of government in or over any foreign colony, province, or part of any province or people, either as an officer, soldier, sailor, or marine, contrary to the provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for any of the principal officers of His Majesty's customs, where any such officers of the customs shall be, and in any part of His Majesty's dominions in which there are no officers of His Majesty's customs, for any governor, or persons having the chief civil command, upon information on oath given before them respectively, which oath they are hereby respectively authorised and empowered to administer, that such person or persons as aforesaid is or are on board such ship or vessel, to detain and prevent any such ship or vessel, or to cause such ship or vessel to be detained and prevented from proceeding to sea on her voyage with such persons as aforesaid on board; provided, nevertheless, that no principal officer, governor, or person shall act as aforesaid, upon such information upon oath as aforesaid, unless the party so informing shall not only have deposed in such information, that the person or persons on board such ship or vessel hath or have been enlisted or entered to serve, or hath or have engaged or agreed, or been procured to enlist or enter or serve, or is or are departing as aforesaid, for the purpose and with the intent of enlisting or entering to serve or be employed, or of serving or being engaged or employed in such service as aforesaid, but shall also have set forth in such information upon oath, the facts or circumstances upon which he forms his knowledge or belief, enabling him to give such information upon oath; and that all and every person and persons convicted of wilfully false swearing in any such information upon oath, shall be deemed guilty of and suffer the penalties on persons convicted of wilful and corrupt perjury:—

And it is further enacted, “that if any master or other person, having or taking the charge or command of any ship or vessel, in any part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or in any part of His Majesty's dominions beyond the seas, shall, knowingly and willingly, take on board, or if such master or other person, having the command of any such ship or vessel, or any owner or owners of any such ship or vessel, shall, knowingly, engage to take on board any person or persons who shall have been enlisted or entered to serve, or shall have engaged or agreed, or been procured to enlist or enter or serve, or who shall be departing from His Majesty's dominions, for the purpose and with the intent of enlisting or entering to serve, or to be employed, or of serving or being engaged or employed in any naval or military service, contrary to the provisions of this Act, such master or owner or other person, as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty pounds for each and every such person so taken or