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An Act to Continue the Acts for Punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and False Musters, and for the better Payment of the Army and Quarters; and for Approving of Medicines for the Army.

Whereas it is necessary in this time of War, that the Forces which are on Foot should be still continued, and others Raised, for the Safety of the Kingdom, and for the carrying on the common Cause for the Preservation of the Liberties of Europe, and that as well Officers as private Soldiers should be retained in their Duties, and such as Transgress be Punished in a more exemplary and speedy Manner than the usual Forms of the Law will allow; And it is also necessary, that good Order should be taken for the Payment of the said Forces and their Quarters: Be it therefore Enacted by the Queen'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 Act made in the Seventh Year of Her present Majesty's Reign, Intituled, *An Act for Punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and false Musters, and for the better Payment of the Army and Quarters*, which was continued by an Act made the last Session of Parliament, Intituled, *An Act to continue the Act for Punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and Quarters*, until the Five and twentieth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and eleven, shall be, and the same is hereby continued, and shall stand, remain and be in Force, from and after the Twenty fourth Day of March, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ten, to the Twenty fifth Day of March, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and twelve; And that all and every of the Clauses, Articles, Matters and Things, in the said first mentioned Act made in the Seventh Year of Her Majesty's Reign, contained, shall be observed and performed, practised and put in use, by the same Ways, Means and Method, and by the same Rules and Directions, and under such respective Penalties of Death, and other Penalties and Forfeitures, and with such Powers, and in such Manner and Form in all respects, as are prescribed, mentioned or expressed in the before mentioned Act of the Seventh Year of Her Majesty's Reign, subject nevertheless to such Alterations as have been by any Act or Acts of Parliament; And that the said Act of the Seventh Year of Her Majesty's Reign, and every Matter and thing therein contained, shall, during the Time aforesaid, be of as full Force and Effect, as if the same were particularly and as large repeated in the Body of this present Act.

Provided always, and be it Enacted and Declared by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be Lawful to and for all and every Creditor and Creditors, to proceed by Action or Actions, or any other Legal Process, and have like Remedy against any Person who shall, by reason of his being a Soldier, be discharged by virtue of an Act of this present Session of Parliament, Intituled, *An Act to Continue the Acts for Recruiting Her Majesty's Land Forces and Marines, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and eleven*, in the same manner as if he had not been a Soldier; This Act, or any other Statute or Law, or other Matter or Thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every present and future Paymaster, Agent and Clerk of any Regiment, Troop or Company, who is or shall be liable to account with any the Executors or Administrators of any Officer or Soldier for any of the Pay of such Officer or Soldier by him or them received, shall, on reasonable Demand made by such Executor or Administrator, deliver a just and true Account to such Executor or Administrator of such Sum or Sums of Money as he or they shall have so respectively received for such Officer or Soldier, and for which they ought so to account, as aforesaid, such Executor or Administrator paying for the same, and shall account with such Executor or Administrator for the same: And that all and every such Paymaster, Agent or Clerk of any Regiment, Troop or Company, offending herein, shall forfeit the like Penalty, and to be recovered in like manner as appointed by the Acts hereby continued, for such Colonel or Agents not giving due Accounts of and for the Pay of the said Officers and Soldiers to and for such Officers and Soldiers themselves.

And to the end Her Majesty's Forces may be supplied with good and wholesome Medicines, Internal and External, and for preventing the Loss and Sufferings of many her Majesty's Officers and Soldiers for want thereof, it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the five and twentieth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and eleven, during the Continuance of this Act, no Surgeon or Apothecary belonging to her Majesty's Forces, or to any Regiments, Troops or Companies of the same, shall make up, or cause to be made up or fitted, his Chest of Medicines and Drugs, in any part of Great Britain, other than at the Common Hall of the Company of Apothecaries in London (whether they be or be not bought of the said Company) to be there openly and publicly viewed and examined by the Master and Wardens of the said Company for the time being, or one of them, jointly with the Physician or Surgeon General of Her Majesty's Army, or (in the absence of the said Physician or Surgeon General) then by the said Master and Wardens, or one of them, jointly with one or more of the Physicians that are or shall be appointed in the quality of her Majesty's Commissioners for Sick and Wounded, or with two or more Physi-