

before some One Justice of the Peace for the County or Place where such Person resides, which said Oath such Justice of Peace is hereby Authorized to Administer in the following Words :

The Oath:

**I** A. B. do Swear, That I will not Wittingly, Willingly, or Knowingly Open, Detain, or Delay, or Cause, Procure, Permit, or Suffer to be Opened, Detained, or Delayed any Letter or Letters, Packet or Packets, which shall come into my Hands, Power, or Custody, by reason of my Employment in or relating to the Post-Office; except by the Consent of the Person or Persons to whom the same is or shall be directed, or by an express Warrant in Writing under the Hand of One of the Principal Secretaries of State for that Purpose; or except in such Cases where the Party or Parties to whom such Letter or Letters, Packet or Packets, shall be directed or who is or are hereby chargeable with the Payment of the Port or Ports thereof, shall refuse or neglect to Pay the same; and except such Letters or Packets as shall be returned for want of true Directions, or when the Party or Parties to whom the same is or shall be directed, cannot be found: And that I will not any way Imbezil any such Letter or Letters, Packet or Packets, as aforesaid.

One Third of the Surplus, over and above 111461 l. per Ann. and 700 l. per week, disposable by Parliament.

And it is further Enacted and Declared by the Authority aforesaid, That from the said First Day of June, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and eleven, one Third Part of the Surplus of the Yearly produce arising by the said Letter or Post-Office, or Duties upon Postage of Letters and Packets by this Act granted, over and above the Sum of One hundred and eleven thousand four hundred sixty one Pounds, seventeen shillings and ten pence, which was the Amount of the Gross Receipt of the Duties arising by virtue of the said former Acts of Parliament (which are now Repealed) for One Year ended the Nine and twentieth Day of September, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ten, and over and above the said Sum of Seven hundred pounds per Week, shall be and is by this Act reserved to the Disposal of Parliament for the Use of the Publick, and shall not be divertible or diverted to any other Use, Intent or Purpose, other than according to such Disposal.

This Revenue not alienable, &c.

And to the intent the Inheritance of such Part of the said Duties and Revenue arising in and by the said General Letter-Office or Post-Office, which is hereby Vested in Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, undeterminable, as aforesaid, may be preserved in the Crown, for the future Benefit thereof, Be it further Enacted and Declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the same, or any Part thereof, shall not hereafter be Alienable, Chargeable or Grantable by Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, for any Estate, Term or Time whatsoever, to endure longer than the Life of Her Majesty, or of such King or Queen as shall make such Alienation, Charge or Grant respectively; and that all Gifts,