

Recited Acts repealed.

beneficial to the Objects of the said Board, are by the said Constitution of the Board excluded therefrom: 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Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said recited Acts shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

Commissioners for discovering the Longitude appointed.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, or the First Commissioner for executing the said Office, the Lord High Admiral or First Commissioner for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, and such other Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland* as may be Flag Officers in His Majesty's Fleet, the Speaker of the House of Commons, the President of the Committee of Council for Trade and Plantations, the Governor of the Royal Hospital for Seamen at *Greenwich*, the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty, the Secretaries of the Treasury, the Secretaries of the Admiralty, the Comptroller of the Navy, the President and Three Fellows of the Royal Society, the Royal Astronomer at *Greenwich*, the *Savilian, Lucasian, Plumian, and Lowndian* Professors of the Mathematics and Astronomy at the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, the Observer at the *Radcliffe* Observatory at *Oxford*, all now and for the time being, and Three other Persons well versed in the Sciences of Mathematics, Astronomy, or Navigation, to be annually selected, chosen, and named, as herein-after provided, shall be Commissioners for discovering the Longitude at Sea, and for examining, trying, and judging all Proposals, Experiments, and Improvements relating to the same, and for rewarding Persons making useful Discoveries and Improvements in or connected with Navigation.

Further Appointment of Commissioners.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Three Members of the Royal Society, so to be Commissioners, shall be the Right Honourable *Charles Lord Colchester, Davies Gilbert* Esquire, and Colonel *William Mudge*; and that in the Event of any Vacancy by Death, Resignation, or Refusal to act, of any of the said Three Persons, or of any Person hereafter chosen to succeed them, such Vacancy shall be filled up by the Choice and Election of the President and Council of the Royal Society; and that the said Three other Commissioners shall be Doctor *William Hyde Wollaston*, and Doctor *Thomas Young*, and Captain *Henry Kater*, who shall continue Commissioners until the First Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and twenty, after which Time the Three Persons to be the said last-mentioned Commissioners shall be annually, or as often as a Vacancy by Death, Resignation, or Refusal to act, may occur, selected, chosen, and named by the Lord High Admiral, or Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, and shall be Persons well versed in the Sciences of the Mathematics, Astronomy, or Navigation, and shall be generally resident in or near the City of *London*, and capable of attending at the Board of Commissioners, and of assisting in the Objects herein intrusted to the said Board.

All Acts conferring any Duty or Power on the Commissioners, repealed.

IV. And whereas by the said recited Acts, and by divers other Acts passed from Time to Time, and all founded upon and referring to the said first-recited Act, divers Duties and Authorities were imposed and conferred upon the Commissioners constituted by the said recited Acts, and divers