

reason of the Death of such Prosecutors or any of them, but shall be continued in the case of a sole Plaintiff or Informer dying before Judgment obtained, in the Name of the Secretary of the said Commissioners for the Time being.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That no such Nautical Almanack or Almanacks, so published under the Directions of the said Commissioners, shall be subject or liable to any Stamp Duty whatsoever.

Nautical Almanack not to be liable to Stamp Duties.

XX. And be it further enacted, That there shall be annually paid to each of the Three last-named Commissioners and their Successors, to be annually named according to the Provisions of this Act, such annual Sum as His Majesty, by any Order in Council, shall be pleased to direct.

Salary to Three of the Commissioners.

XXI. And whereas it is necessary to continue the Appointment of a Secretary to the Board of Commissioners for discovering the Longitude: And whereas it is highly expedient to the Interest of Navigation, and the Honour of this Country, that the said Nautical Almanack should be accurately computed, compared, and published, and that the Method of finding the Longitude by Timekeepers should also be encouraged, and that the Timekeepers belonging to His Majesty for the Use of His Ships of War should be carefully examined and regulated; be it further enacted, That some Person of competent Skill and Ability shall be nominated and appointed by the Lord High Admiral or Commissioners of the Admiralty to be Secretary to the said Board of Commissioners, and for superintending, under the Directions of the Board in general, and the Astronomer Royal in particular, the due and correct Publication of the Nautical Almanack, and for taking care of and regulating such Timekeepers as may be intrusted to his Care by the Lord High Admiral or Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Secretary to be appointed.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That the said Secretary shall hold his said Office during the Pleasure of the Lord High Admiral or Commissioners of the Admiralty; and for his Trouble and Pains therein he shall receive such annual Salary as His Majesty, by any Order in Council, may please to direct; but if it shall so happen that a Person shall not be found competent to execute the Three several Duties of Secretary to the said Board, and of superintending the Publication of the Nautical Almanack, and the Care and Regulation of Timekeepers, it shall be lawful to the said Commissioners to propose to His Majesty in Council to divide the said Duties, and assign them to several Persons, and to apportion to each Person such Part of the Salary established for the Performance of the united Duties as may seem to them fit and proportionate to the several Duty or Duties to be performed by such Person.

Tenure of his Office, and Salary.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Salaries to the Three annual Commissioners, and the said Secretary or Persons performing the last-mentioned Duties, shall be annually placed on the Ordinary Estimate of the Navy.

Salaries to be included in the ordinary Estimates of the Navy.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That no Receipt of any Salary or Reward under this Act shall prevent any Officer entitled to any Military or Naval Half-pay from receiving such Half-pay in addition to any such Salary or Reward.

Not to affect Half-pay.

XXV. And