



Civil List Audit Act 1816

1816 CHAPTER 46

X Officer may summon Persons, and require Books, Accounts, and Vouchers, and examine upon Oath.

And whereas it may be necessary that the said Officer, in the Execution of the Duty to be reposed in him, should be empowered to examine Persons upon Oath ; be it therefore further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Officer, by and with the Consent and Authority, in each particular Cafe, of the Lord High Treasurer, or Commissioners of the Treasury for the Time being, to be signified by One of the Secretaries of the Treasury, to call before him any of the Officers or Persons holding any Offices, Situations, or Places under the Lord Chamberlain, or under the Lord Steward, or under the Master of the Horse, and also any Persons not belonging to any or either of the said Departments, who may have supplied or furnished, or been concerned or employed in the supplying of. furnishing any Articles, Matters, and Things in or for the Use of either of the said Departments respectively, or who may be able, in the Judgment of the said Officer, to give any Information relating thereto, and to examine any such Person or Persons as aforesaid upon Oath, or Affirmation (if Quakers) which Oath or Affirmation such Officer is hereby authorized to administer, as to any such Accounts, Expences, or Charges, or any Matters or Things relating thereto, or as to any such Articles or Things so supplied or furnished as aforesaid, or touching and concerning any Matter or Thing necessary for the full, strict, and accurate Examination and Audit of any such Accounts or Expences or Charges ; and in case of the Failure by any Person to comply with any such the lawful Requisition of the said Officer, every such Person so refusing, if an Officer or Servant or Tradesman employed in any of the said Departments, .shall be dismissed from his Situation or Employment, and be incapable of being again employed as such Officer, Servant, or Tradesman in the Service of His Majesty ; and every such Person shall also be liable to the Payment of such Fine to His Majesty as the Court of Exchequer, on Application made to the said Court by the said Officer, or by His Majesty's Attorney General, shall think fit to set and impose, which Fine the said Court is hereby authorized and empowered to set and impose accordingly.