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FOR

The further Security of the Persons of Her Majesty's Subjects from personal Violence.

WHEREAS by the Forty-third Section of the Act of the Preamble.
Session of the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Years of
the Reign of Her present Majesty, Chapter Ninety-six, it
is provided that "whosoever shall, being armed with any offensive
5 " Weapon or Instrument, rob or assault with Intent to rob any
" Person, or shall together with One or more other Person or
" Persons rob or assault with Intent to rob any Person, or shall rob
" any Person, and at the Time of or immediately before or imme-
" diately after such Robbery shall wound, beat, strike, or use any
10 " other personal Violence to any Person, shall be guilty of Felony,
" and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the
" Court, to be kept in Penal Servitude for Life, or for any Term not
" less than Three Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not ex-
" ceeding Two Years, with or without Hard Labour, and with or
15 " without Solitary Confinement:" And whereas the Punishment
awarded by the said Section is insufficient to deter Robbers from
using Violence in the Commission of their Crimes: Be it 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
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present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows :

Award of
Punishment
of Whip-
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1. Where any Person is convicted of a Crime under the said Section, the Court before whom he is convicted may, in addition to or in substitution for the Punishment awarded by the said Section or any Part thereof, direct that the Offender, if a Male, be *once, twice, or thrice* publicly or privately whipped, subject to the following Provisions :

1. That in the Case of an Offender whose Age does not exceed *Sixteen* Years the Number of Strokes do not exceed *Twenty-five*, and the Instrument used shall be a Birch Rod :
2. That in the Case of any other Male Offender the Conviction shall specify the Number of Strokes to be inflicted, such Number not in any Case to exceed *Fifty*.

Security from Violence.

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