Anno triceſimo

Georgii II. Regis.

An Act to diſcontinue for a limited Time the Duties upon Corn and Flour imported; and alſo upon ſuch Corn, Grain, Meal, Bread, Biſcuit, and Flour, as have been or ſhall be taken from the Enemy, and brought into this Kingdom.



WHEREAS the diſcontinuing of the Duties for a limited Time upon Corn and Flour imported into this Kingdom, and alſo upon ſuch Corn, Grain, Meal, Bread, Biſcuit, and Flour, as have been or ſhall be taken from the Enemy, and brought into this Kingdom, may be of Advantage to His Majeſty's Subjects; 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 no Subſidy, Cuſtom, Rate, Duty, or other Impoſition whatſoever, ſhall be demanded, collected, received, or taken, upon any Corn or Flour which ſhall be imported into this Kingdom, at any Time or Times before the Twenty fourth Day of Auguſt next; nor ſhall any Subſidy, Cuſtom, Rate, Duty, or other Impoſition whatſoever, be demanded, collected, received, or taken, upon any Corn, Grain, Meal, Bread, Biſcuit, or Flour, which have been or ſhall be taken from the Enemy, and brought into this Kingdom, at any Time or Times before the ſaid Twenty fourth Day of Auguſt; but that all ſuch Corn and Flour, and alſo all ſuch Corn, Grain, Meal, Bread, Biſcuit, and Flour, ſhall and may be imported, brought in, and landed, Duty free, and may alſo be carried Coaſtwiſe, under ſuch

The enumerated Commodities for a Time limited may be landed Duty free, and carried Coaſtwiſe.

Regulations as Corn of the Growth of this Kingdom is now allowed to be carried Coastwise, at all Times before the said Twenty fourth Day of August; any former Law, Statute, Act or Acts of Parliament to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Entry to be made thereof;

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a due Entry shall be made in such Manner and Form as were used and practised before the making of this Act, of all Corn, Grain, Meal, Bread, Biscuit, and Flour, which shall be imported or brought into this Kingdom, before the said Twenty fourth Day of August, at the Custom-house belonging to the Port into which the same shall be imported or brought in, or

otherwise to be subject to Duty.

otherwise in Default of making such Entry, such Corn, Grain, Meal, Bread, Biscuit, and Flour, shall be liable and subject to such and the same Duties, as were payable upon the Importation thereof before the making of this Act; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Action or Suit shall be commenced against any Person or Persons, for any thing done in pursuance of this Act, in that Part of Great Britain called England, the Defendant or Defendants in any such Action or Suit

General Issue.

may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the Special Matter in Evidence, at any Trial to be had thereupon; and that the same was done in Pursuance and by the Authority of this Act; and if it shall appear so to have been done, the Jury shall find for the Defendant or Defendants; and if the Plaintiff shall be Nonsuited, or discontinue his Action, after the Defendant or Defendants shall have appeared; or if Judgement shall be given upon any Verdict or Demurrer against the Plaintiff, the Defendant or Defendants shall and may recover

Treble Costs.

Treble Costs, and have the like Remedy for the same, as any Defendant or Defendants hath or have in other

Suits in *Scotland*.

Cases by Law; and if such Action or Suit be commenced or prosecuted in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, the Court before whom such Action or Suit shall be brought, shall allow the Defender to plead this Act on his Defence; and if the Pursuer shall not insist on his Action, or if Judgement shall be given against such Pursuer, the Defender shall and may recover the full and real Expences he may have been put to by any such Action or Suit.

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