Anno tricesimo primo

Georgii II. Regis.

An Act to continue several Laws therein mentioned, for granting a Liberty to carry Sugars of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture, of any of His Majesty's Sugar Colonies in *America*, from the said Colonies directly into Foreign Parts, in Ships built in *Great Britain*, and navigated according to Law; for the preventing the committing of Frauds by Bankrupts; for giving further Encouragement for the Importation of Naval Stores from the *British* Colonies in *America*; and for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Admeasurement of Coals in the City and Liberty of *Westminster*; and for preventing the Stealing or Destroying of Madder Roots.



Whereas the Laws herein after mentioned, which have by Experience been found useful and beneficial, are near expiring; May it therefore please Your most Excellent Majesty, that it may be enacted; and be it 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 an Act made in the Twelfth Year of the Preamble.

Act 12 *Geo.* II. which was continued by several subsequent Acts,

Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act for granting a Liberty to carry Sugars of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture of any of His Majesty's Sugar Colonies in *America*, from the said Colonies directly to Foreign Parts, in Ships built in *Great Britain*, and navigated according to Law; which was to continue in Force for Five Years, from the Twenty ninth Day of September One thousand seven hundred and thirty nine, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which by several subsequent Acts made in the Seventeenth and Twenty fourth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, was further continued until the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; shall be, and the same is hereby further continued from the Expiration thereof, until the Twenty ninth Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty four, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

further continued to 29 *Sep.* 1764.

Act 5 *Geo.* II. which was continued and amended by several subsequent Acts,

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That an Act made in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act to prevent the committing of Frauds by Bankrupts; which was to continue in Force for Three Years, from the Twenty fourth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and thirty two, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which by several subsequent Acts made in the Ninth and Sixteenth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, was further continued until the Twenty ninth Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty; and which by another Act made in the Twenty fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, was amended and further continued to the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; shall be, and the same is hereby further continued from the Expiration thereof, until the Twenty ninth Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty four, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

further continued to 29 *Sep.* 1764.

Part of the Act of 8 *Geo* I. relating to the Importation of Wood, Timber, and Lumber, from *America*,

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That so much of an Act made in the Eighth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the First, intituled, An Act for giving further Encouragement for the Importation of Naval Stores; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; as relates to the Importation of Wood and Timber, and of the Goods commonly called Lumber, therein particularly enumerated, from any of His Majesty's British Plantations or Colonies in America, free from all Customs

Customs and Impositions whatsoever, which was to be in Force for Twenty one Years, from the Twenty fourth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and twenty two; and which by several subsequent Acts made in the Sixteenth and Twenty fourth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, was further continued until the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; shall be, and the same is hereby further continued from the Expiration thereof, until the Twenty ninth Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty four, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

further continued to 29 *Sep.* 1764.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That an Act made in the Nineteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act more effectually to prevent the Frauds and Abuses committed in the Admeasurement of Coals within the City and Liberty of *Westminster*, and several Parishes near thereunto; which was to continue in Force from the Twenty fourth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and forty six, for the Term of Three Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which by Two subsequent Acts, One of the Twenty third, and the Other of the Twenty fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, was further continued until the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; shall, and the same is hereby further continued from the Expiration thereof, until the Twenty fourth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and fifty nine.

Act 19 *Geo.* II. which was continued by several subsequent Acts,

further continued to 24 *June*, 1759.

And whereas the Growth and Cultivation of Madder is of great Consequence to the Trade and Manufactures of this Kingdom: Therefore, for preventing the stealing or destroying of Madder Roots; be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall steal and take away, or wilfully and maliciously pull up, or destroy, any Madder Roots growing or being in any Lands or Grounds belonging to any Person or Persons, and shall be thereof convicted before any Justice or Justices of the Peace of the County, Town, or Place, where the Offence shall be committed, either by Confession of the Party offending, or by the Oath of any credible Witness or Witnesses (which Oath such Justice or Justices is and are hereby authorized and impowered to administer) every Person so offending, and being convicted of such Offence in Manner herein before mentioned, shall, for the First Offence, give and pay to the Owner or Owners of the

Persons convicted of stealing or destroying Madder Roots, are, for the First Offence, to make Satisfaction for the Damage;

Madder Roots so stolen, pulled up, or destroyed, such Satisfaction for his or their Damage thereby sustained, and within such Time, as the said Justice or Justices shall appoint; and shall over and above pay down upon such Conviction unto the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish where the Offence or Offences was or were committed, for the Use of the said Poor, such Sum of Money, not exceeding Ten Shillings, as to the said Justice or Justices shall seem meet; and if any such Offender or Offenders shall not make such Recompence or Satisfaction to the said Owner or Owners, and also pay such Sum to the Use of the Poor, in Manner and Form aforesaid; then the said Justice or Justices shall and may commit such Offender or Offenders to the House of Correction, for any Space not exceeding One Month; or shall and may order such Offender or Offenders to be Whipped by the Constable, or other Officer, as to the said Justice or Justices shall seem meet; and if any such Person or Persons shall again commit the like Offence, and be thereof convicted, as aforesaid, then, he, she, or they, so offending the Second Time, and being thereof convicted, as aforesaid, shall be committed to the House of Correction for Three Months.

and pay to the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish, a Fine not exceeding 10*s*.

or be committed to the House of Correction for 1 Month;

and on Conviction of a like Offence, the 2*d* Time, are to be committed for 3 Months.

Provided always, That no Person or Persons shall be prosecuted for any such Offence of stealing, pulling up, or destroying of Madder Roots, unless such Prosecuton be begun within Thirty Days after the Offence committed.

Prosecution to be within 30 Days after the Offence.

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