Anno triceſimo ſecundo

Georgii II. Regis.

An Act to continue ſeveral Laws therein mentioned, relating to the allowing a Drawback of the Duties upon the Exportation of Copper Bars imported; to the Encouragement of the Silk Manufactures; and for taking off ſeveral Duties on Merchandize exported, and reducing other Duties; to the Premium upon Maſts, Yards, and Bowſprits, Tar, Pitch, and Turpentine; to the encouraging the Growth of Coffee in His Majeſty's Plantations in *America*; to the ſecuring the Duties upon Foreign made Sail Cloth, and charging Foreign made Sails with a Duty; and for enlarging the Time for Payment of the Duties omitted to be paid on the Indentures and Contracts of Clerks, Apprentices, or Servants; and alſo for making Affidavits of the Execution of Articles or Contracts of Clerks to Attornies or Sollicitors, and filing thereof.

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 a Clauſe in an Act made in the Ninth and Tenth Years of the Reign of His late Majeſty King William the Third, intituled, An Act to ſettle the Trade to *Africa*; for allowing, during a limited Time, a Drawback of the Duties upon the Exportation of Copper Bars imported; and which Clauſe was to continue in Force for the

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Clauſe in an Act 9 & 10 *Will.* III. relating to a Drawback of the Duties upon Copper Bars, &c.

the Term of Thirteen Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which Clause, after the Expiration thereof, was, by an Act made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Anne, revived and continued; and also a Proviso in the last mentioned Act contained, That no Drawback should be allowed on the Exportation of any Copper, but such as had been or should be imported from the East Indies and the Coast of Barbary only; and which said Clause and Proviso, by several subsequent Acts of the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the First, and of the Fifteenth and Twenty sixth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, were continued until the Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; shall be, and the same are hereby further continued, from the Expiration thereof, until the Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and sixty six, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

and the Proviso in Act 12 *Annæ*, relating thereto,

further continued to 24 *June*, 1766.

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, for the Encouragement of the Silk Manufactures of this Kingdom; and for taking off several Duties on Merchandizes exported; and for reducing the Duties upon Beaver Skins, Pepper, Mace, Cloves, and Nutmegs, imported; and for Importation of all Furs of the Product of the British Plantations, into this Kingdom only; and that the Two Corporations of Assurance, on any Suits brought on their Policies, shall be liable only to single Damages and Costs of Suit; as relates to the Encouragement of the Silk Manufactures of this Kingdom, and to the taking off several Duties on Merchandizes exported; which was to continue in Force for Three Years, from the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and twenty two, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which, by several subsequent Acts made in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the First, and in the Second, Eighth, Fifteenth, Twentieth, and Twenty sixth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, hath been continued until the Twenty fourth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, 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 said Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and sixty six, and from thence

Part of Act 8 *Geo.* I. relating to the Encouragement of the Silk Manufactures, further continued to 24 *June*, 1766.

thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

So much of the Act 2 *Geo.* II. &c. as relates to Premiums on Masts, Tar, and Pitch, &c. continued to 24 *June*, 1766.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That so much of an Act made in the Second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for the better Preservation of His Majesty's Woods in America, and for the Encouragement of the Importation of Naval Stores from thence; and to encourage the Importation of Masts, Yards, and Bowsprits, from that Part of Great Britain called Scotland; as relates to the Premiums upon Masts, Yards, and Bowsprits, Tar, Pitch, and Turpentine, which was to continue in Force from the Twenty ninth Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and twenty nine, for the Term of Thirteen Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which, by several subsequent Acts made in the Thirteenth and Twenty fourth Years of His said Majesty's Reign, was further continued until the Twenty Fifth Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and fifty one, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which, by another Act made in the Twenty fifth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty, was amended, and further continued until the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, 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 said Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty six, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

Quantity of Tar in each Barrel intitled to Bounty, not to be less than 32 Gallons.

Provided, That no Bounty shall be paid upon any Tar, unless each Barrel shall contain Thirty one Gallons and One Half; and that the Officers who survey such Barrel, shall not survey the same, till the Water shall be all drawn off, and every Barrel filled up with Tar.

Act 5 *Geo.* II. for encouraging the Growth of Coffee, continued to 24 *June*, 1766.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That an Act made in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for encouraging the Growth of Coffee in His Majesty's Plantations in America, which was to continue in Force from the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and thirty five, until the twenty fifth Day of March, 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 Eleventh, Nineteenth, and Twenty fifth Years of His said Majesty's Reign, was further continued until the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, 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 said Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and sixty six, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

Act 19 *Geo.* II. for securing the Duties on Foreign-made Sail Cloth imported, &c. continued to 24 *June*, 1766.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That an Act made in the Nineteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for the more effectual securing the Duties now payable on Foreign-made Sail Cloth imported into this Kingdom; and for charging all Foreign-made Sails with a Duty; and for explaining a Doubt concerning Ships being obliged, at their first setting out to Sea, to be furnished with One complete Set of Sails made of British Sail Cloth; which was to continue in Force from the Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and forty six, for the Term of Seven Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which, by another Act made in the Twenty sixth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, was further continued until the Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, 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 said Twenty fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and sixty six, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

And, for the Relief of Persons who through Neglect or Inadvertency have omitted to pay the several Rates and Duties upon Money given, paid, contracted, or agreed for, with or in relation to any Clerk, Apprentice, or Servant, who hath been put or placed to or with any Master or Mistress, to learn any Profession, Trade, or Employment, and to have the Indenture, or other Writing which contains the Covenants, Articles, Contracts, or Agreements, relating to the Service of any such Clerk, Apprentice, or Servant, stamped within the Times by the several Acts of Parliament for those Purposes respectively limited, or who have neglected or omitted to insert and write in Words at Length, in any such Indenture, or other Writing, as aforesaid respectively, the full Sum or Sums of Money received, or in any wise directly or indirectly given, paid, agreed, or contracted for, with or in relation to any such Clerk, Apprentice, or Servant, as aforesaid; be it further enacted, That upon Payment on or before the First Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty nine, of the Rates and Duties neglected or omitted to be paid upon any Money given, paid, contracted,

Further Time allowed to 1 *Sept.* 1759, for Payment of the Duties omitted to be paid on Articles of Indentures, and for tendering the same to be stamped.

traded, or agreed for, with or in relation to any Clerk, Apprentice, or Servant, as aforesaid, to such Person or Persons to whom the same ought to be paid, the Indenture or other Writing by which any such Clerk, Apprentice, or Servant, was respectively put out as aforesaid, shall, on the same being tendered at the proper Place in the Stamp Office (where the same ought to have been stamped) during the Time of Office Hours, be stamped with the proper Stamp forthwith after every such Payment and Tender of every such respective Indenture or Writing shall be there made; and every such Indenture, or other Writing, as aforesaid, being so stamped, shall be good and available in Law and Equity, and may be given in Evidence in any Court whatsoever; and the several Clerks, Apprentices, or Servants, therein respectively named, shall be capable of following and exercising their respective intended Profession, Trade, Employment, or Business, as fully as if the Rates or Duties so neglected or omitted to have been paid, had been duly paid, and as if the full Sum or Sums of Money received or agreed to be paid as aforesaid, had been inserted and wrote in Words at Length in every such Indenture, or other Writing, as aforesaid respectively; and that all and every Person and Persons who hath or have incurred any Penalty by any such Neglect or Omission, as aforesaid, shall be acquitted and discharged of, from, and against the same; any thing in any former Act to the contrary hereof notwithstanding: And the Commissioners of His Majesty's Stamp Duty are hereby required, with all convenient Speed, after the passing this Act, to cause Notice of this Clause to be published in the London Gazette, in such Manner as they shall think fit.

Indentures, on Payment of the Duties, and stamping thereof, declared to be valid, &c.

and the Parties acquitted of the Penalty.

Notice of this Clause to be published in the *Gazette*.

And whereas some Persons have omitted to cause Affidavits to be made, and afterwards to be filed in the proper Offices, of the actual Execution of several Contracts in Writing entered into by them, to serve as Clerks to Attornies, or Solicitors, within the Time in which the same ought to have been done, and many Infants, and others, may thereby incur certain Disabilities: For preventing whereof, and for relieving such Persons; be it likewise enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every Person who hath neglected or omitted to cause any such Affidavit or Affidavits as aforesaid to be made and filed, and who on or before the First Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty nine, shall cause One or more Affidavit or Affidavits to be made, and afterwards to be filed, in such Manner as the same ought to have been made and filed, in due Time, shall be, and is hereby indemnified,

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freed, and discharged, from and against all Penalties, Forfeitures, Incapacities, and Disabilities, in or by any Act or Acts of Parliament mentioned and incurred, or to be incurred, for or by reason of any such Neglect or Omission, in not causing such Affidavit or Affidavits to be made and filed, in such Manner as the same ought to have been; and every such Affidavit and Affidavits so to be made, and which shall be duly filed, on or before the said First Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty nine, as aforesaid, shall be as effectual to all Intents and Purposes, as if made and filed within the respective Times the same ought, by the Laws now in being for that Purpose, to have been so made and filed.

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