ANNO UNDECIMO

Georgii III. Regis.

CAP. LI.

An Act for continuing ſeveral Laws for the better Regulation of Laſtage and Balaſtage in the River *Thames*; for the further Puniſhment of Perſons going armed or diſguiſed, in Defiance of the Laws of Cuſtoms or Exciſe, and for the landing of Rum or Spirits of the *Britiſh* Sugar Plantations, before Payment of the Duties of Exciſe; for repealing ſo much of an Act paſſed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Firſt, intituled, *An Act for preventing the Carriage of exceſſive Loads of Meal, Malt, Bricks, and Coals, within Ten Miles of the Cities of* London *and* Weſtminſter, as relates to the Carriage of Meal, Malt, and Coals; and

for authorising the Exportation of a limited Quantity of an inferior Sort of Barley, called *Bigg*, from the Port of *Kirkwall*, in the Islands of *Orkney*.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Laws herein-after mentioned have, by Experience, been found useful and beneficial, and are near expiring; may it therefore please Your 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 Sixth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, for the better Regulation of Lastage and Ballastage in the River Thames, which was to continue in Force from the First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and thirty-three, for Five Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which, by an Act made in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty, was further continued from the Expiration thereof, for Seven Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which, by another Act made in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty, was further continued from the Expiration thereof, for Eleven Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which, by another Act made in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty, was amended and further continued until the Twenty-fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy, 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-fourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and eighty-two, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

Act 6 *Geo.* II.

Act 11 *Geo.* II.

Act 18 *Geo.* II.

and Act 32 *Geo.* II.

further continued, till *June* 24, 1782.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That so much of an Act made in the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act to impower the Importers or Proprietors of Rum, or Spirits, of the *British* Sugar Plantations, to land the same

Acts 15 & 16 *Geo.* II.

ſame before Payment of the Duties of Exciſe charged thereon; and to lodge the ſame in Warehouſes at their own Expence; and for the Relief of *Ralph Barrow*, in reſpect to the Duty on ſome Rock Salt, loſt by the Overflowing of the Rivers *Weaver* and *Dane*, as relates to the landing of Rum, or Spirits, of the Britiſh Sugar Plantations, before Payment of the Duties of Exciſe, and to the lodging of the ſame in Warehouſes, at the Expence of the Importers or Proprietors thereof, which was to continue in Force from the Twenty-ninth Day of September, One thouſand ſeven hundred and forty-two, to the Twenty-ninth Day of September, One thouſand ſeven hundred and forty-nine, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament; and which by ſeveral ſubſequent Acts of the Twenty-third and Thirty-firſt Years of the Reign of His late Majeſty, and the Fourth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, was further continued until the Twenty-ninth Day of September, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-one, 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 ſeventy-eight, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament.

and Acts 23 & 31 *Geo.* II. and 4 *Geo.* III.

continued till *Sept.* 29, 1771.

further continued till *Sept.* 29, 1778.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That ſo much of an Act made in the Nineteenth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for the further Puniſhment of Perſons going armed or diſguiſed in Defiance of the Laws of Cuſtoms or Exciſe, and for indemnifying Offenders againſt thoſe Laws, upon the Terms therein mentioned, and for the Relief of Officers of the Cuſtoms in Informations upon Seizures, as relates to the further Puniſhment of Perſons going armed or diſguiſed in Defiance of the Laws of Cuſtoms or Exciſe, and to the Relief of Officers of the Cuſtoms in Informations upon Seizures, which was to continue in Force for Seven Years, from the Twenty-fourth Day of July, One thouſand ſeven hundred and forty-ſix, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament, and which, by ſeveral ſubſequent Acts of the Twenty-ſixth and Thirty-ſecond Years of the Reign of His ſaid late Majeſty, and the Fourth Year of His preſent Majeſty, was further continued until the Twenty-ninth Day of September, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-one, 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,

Act 19 *Geo.* II.

further continued till *Sept.* 29, 1778.

September, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

Act 6 Geo. I. And whereas, by an Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the First, intituled, An Act for preventing the Carriage of excessive Loads of Meal, Malt, Bricks, and Coals, within Ten Miles of the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, it is provided, that no Person shall carry at One Load in the said Cities, or within Ten Miles thereof, in any Waggon or Cart, having the Wheels thereof shod or bound with Tire or Streaks of Iron, more than Twelve Sacks of Meal, each Sack containing Five Bushels, nor more than Twelve Quarters of Malt, nor more than Seven Hundred and an Half of Bricks, nor more than One Chaldron of Coals, on Pain that the Person offending therein shall forfeit and lose any One of the Horses, together with the Gears, Bridles, and Halters therewith used, to any Person who shall seize the same: And whereas, by another Act made

Act 4 Geo. III. in the Fourth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, for paving, cleansing, and removing Annoyances in Westminster, and in the Weekly Bills of Mortality, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, it is provided by a Clause in the said Act, that no Person shall carry at any One Load within the Limits mentioned in the above-recited Act of the Sixth of King George the First, in any Waggon, or Cart, having the Wheels thereof shod or bound with Tire or Streaks of Iron, more than One Chaldron of Coals with the Ingrain thereto belonging, after the Rate of One Chaldron for every Twenty Chaldrons: And whereas considerable Quantities of Meal, Malt, and Coals, are carried from the said Cities into the Country, and considerable Quantities of Meal and Malt from the Country into the said Cities, in Waggons and Carts, having the Wheels thereof shod or bound with Iron, within and from beyond the Distance of Ten Miles from the said Cities, and many Owners of such Waggons and Carts, apprehending they were allowed to carry upon the Turnpike Roads near the said Cities the Weights fixed by the Act

Act 7 Geo. III. passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act to explain, amend, and reduce into One Act of Parliament the General Laws now in being, for regulating the Turnpike Roads of this Kingdom, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, have suffered the Penalties inflicted by the said Acts of the Sixth Year of the Reign of

of King George the First, for carrying greater Quantities of Meal, Malt, and Coals, than are allowed by the said Acts.

And whereas it will be more convenient to the Publick, if the said Act of the Sixth of King George the First, so far as it relates to the Carriage of Meal, Malt, and Coals, and also the said Clause in the said Act of the Fourth of His present Majesty, were repealed; be it therefore further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That so much of the said Act of the Sixth Year of the Reign of King George the First, as relates to the Carriage of Meal, Malt, and Coals, and also the said Clause in the Act of the Fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, shall be, and the same are hereby repealed; and that all Persons who have offended in the Matters aforesaid, against the said Acts, or either of them, and who have not been already prosecuted to Conviction, shall be, and are hereby, indemnified for what they have so done.

Act 6 *Geo.* I.

And Clause in Act 4 *Geo.* III.

Clause in Act 6 *Geo.* I.

repealed.

And whereas, a considerable Quantity of that Species of Barley, commonly called Bigg, of the Growth of the Islands of Orkney, is now in the Hands of the Owners and Occupiers of Lands, in the said Islands, which from its inferior Quality is altogether unfit for any Household uses, and if not permitted to be exported to Portugal, and other Places, for the feeding of Mules and Horses, (the only Use this Species of Grain is fit for) will be intirely lost to the Owners: For Remedy whereof, be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, by Order or Orders, to be made in Council for that Purpose, under such Limitations and Restrictions, as shall be expressed in such Order or Orders, to permit and authorise the Exportation of any Quantity or Quantities of such Barley or Bigg, not exceeding Five thousand Quarters, of the Growth of the Islands of Orkney, from the Port of Kirkwall to the Kingdom of Portugal, or elsewhere; any Law or Statute to the Contrary notwithstanding.

Bigg of the Growth of the Island of *Orkney*,

by His Majesty's Order, may be exported, not exceeding 5000 Quarters,

to the Kingdom of Portugal, &c.

Provided nevertheless, That no Bounty or Allowance whatsoever shall be granted or paid, in respect of such Barley or Bigg, to be exported as aforesaid.

No Bounty to be paid for such Barley so exported.

FINIS.