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An Act to amend an Act, made in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for regulating the Importation and Exportation of Corn, and the Payment of the Duty on Foreign Corn imported, and of the Bounty on* British *Corn exported.*

[17th *June* 1793.]

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the Thirty-first Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for regulating the Importation and Exportation of Corn, and the Payment of the Duty on Foreign Corn imported, and of the Bounty on *British* Corn exported, it is, among other Things, enacted, That the Receiver of Corn Returns appointed in pursuance of the said

Preamble.

Clauses in 31 *Geo.* III, Cap. 30, recited.

said Act shall, and he is thereby required, at the End of every Week, to make up, compute, and distinguish, from and upon the Returns by him received, pursuant to the Directions of the said Act, in the Week immediately preceding, an Account of the General Aggregate Quantities, according to the respective Measures in Table (D), and Prices of each respective Sort of British Corn and Oatmeal that shall appear to have been sold and delivered in and during such Week, in each respective District; the Account of which Returns, and of the said Aggregate Quantities and Prices, he is thereby required to enter in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and therefrom to make up and compute the Average Price of each respective Sort of Corn and Oatmeal sold and delivered during such Week; and the said Receiver of Corn Returns is thereby directed, without Delay, to transmit to the Collectors, or other Chief Officers of the Customs for the Time being, of the several Ports or Places within each such District, a Certificate of the Average Prices of each respective Sort of British Corn, so made up and computed from the Returns of such District; and the said respective Collectors and other Chief Officers are thereby required to receive and enter the same in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and to cause a Copy thereof to be hung up in some publick Place in the Custom House thereto belonging, to which all Persons may resort; and the Exportation of each Sort of British Corn and other Articles as aforesaid, and the Payment of the Bounty thereon, within that District, shall be governed and regulated by such Average Prices, in Manner therein-before directed, until new Average Prices shall in like Manner be made up and computed, and a Certificate thereof shall be transmitted to such Collectors or Chief Officers, and be by them received; and that the said Receiver of Corn Returns shall, and he is thereby required, within Seven Days after the Fifteenth Day of November One thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, and within Seven Days after the Fifteenth Day of February, the Fifteenth Day of May, the Fifteenth Day of August, and the Fifteenth Day of November, in each

and every succeeding Year, to make up, compute, and distinguish, from and upon the Six last Weekly Returns by him received, pursuant to the Directions of the said Act, immediately preceding such respective Periods, an Account of the General Aggregate Quantities, according to the respective Measures in Table (D), and Prices of each respective Sort of British Corn and of Oatmeal that shall appear to have been sold and delivered in and during such Six Weeks in each respective District; an Account of which Returns, and the said Aggregate Quantities and Prices, he is thereby required to enter in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and therefrom to make up and compute the Average Prices of each respective Sort of Corn and of Oatmeal sold and delivered during the several Periods before mentioned within each respective District; and the said Receiver of Corn Returns is thereby directed, without Delay, to transmit to the Collectors or other Chief Officers of the Customs of the several Ports or Places in each District a Certificate of the Average Prices of the several Sorts of Corn and of Oatmeal, made up and computed from the Returns of such District; and the said respective Collectors and other Chief Officers are thereby required to receive and enter the same in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and to cause a Copy thereof to be hung up in some publick Place in the Custom House thereto belonging, to which all Persons may resort; and the Importation of each Sort of Foreign Corn, Meal, and Flour, and the Payment of the Duty thereon, within that District, shall be governed and regulated by such Average Prices, in the Manner therein-before directed, until new Average Prices shall in like Manner be made up and computed, and a Certificate thereof be transmitted to such Collectors or other Chief Officers, and be by them received: And whereas it is expedient that the said Average Prices directed to be made up and computed at the End of every Week, and the said Average Prices directed to be made up and computed from and upon the Six last Weekly Returns as aforesaid, should be made up, computed, and distinguished in a different Manner in that Part of Great

Britain called England; 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 the said recited Clauses be, and they are hereby repealed.

Recited Clauses repealed.

Receiver of Corn Returns to make up the Weekly Average Prices of Corn and Oatmeal sold in each of the Towns in *England* appointed by the recited Act, and to transmit the Average Prices in each District to the Officers of the Customs at the several Places as the Rule for Exportation, &c.

II. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the Fifteenth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, the said Receiver of Corn Returns shall, and he is hereby required, at the End of every Week, to make up and compute, from the Returns by him received, pursuant to the Directions of the said Act, of the Quantities and Prices of the several Sorts of British Corn and of Oatmeal sold and delivered in the Week immediately preceding, in each of the Cities or Towns appointed by the said Act in the respective Districts of that Part of Great Britain called England, the Average Price, according to the respective Measures in Table (D), of each respective Sort of Corn and of Oatmeal in each such City or Town; which Returns, and Average Prices, he is hereby required to enter in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and therefrom to make up and compute the Average Price of each respective Sort of Corn and of Oatmeal sold and delivered during such Week in each District, by taking the Average of the Average Prices, ascertained as above directed, in each City or Town within each such District from whence Returns shall have been received pursuant to the Directions of this Act; and the said Receiver of Corn Returns is hereby directed, without Delay, to transmit to the Collectors, or other Chief Officers of the Customs for the Time being, of the several Ports or Places within each such District, a Certificate of the Average Prices of each respective Sort of British Corn and of Oatmeal, so made up and computed; and the said respective Collectors and other Chief Officers are hereby required to receive and enter the same in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and to cause a Copy thereof to be hung up in some publick Place in the Custom House thereto belonging, to which all Persons may resort; and the Exportation of

each

each Sort of British Corn and other Articles as aforesaid, and the Payment of the Bounty thereon within that District, shall be governed and regulated by such Average Prices, until new Average Prices shall in like Manner be made up and computed, and a Certificate thereof shall be transmitted to such Collectors or Chief Officers, and be by them received.

Receiver of Corn Returns to make up at certain Periods the Average Prices of Corn and Oatmeal in each District for the last Six Weeks, and transmit the same to the several Officers of the Customs, as the Rule for Importation, &c.

III. And be it further enacted, That the said Receiver of Corn Returns shall, and he is hereby required, within Seven Days after the Fifteenth Day of August, within Seven Days after the Fifteenth Day of November One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, and within Seven Days after the Fifteenth Day of February, the Fifteenth Day of May, the Fifteenth Day of August, and the Fifteenth Day of November in each and every succeeding Year, to make up and compute, from the Six last Weekly Certificates by him transmitted, according to the Directions of this Act, to the respective Collectors, and other Chief Officers of the Customs in each respective District in that Part of Great Britain called England, the Average Price of each respective Sort of Corn and of Oatmeal during the said Six Weeks in each such District; and the said Receiver of Corn Returns is hereby directed, without Delay, to transmit to the Collectors and other Chief Officers of the Customs of the several Ports or Places in each District, a Certificate of the Average Prices of the several Sorts of Corn and of Oatmeal, made up and computed as above directed; and the said respective Collectors, and other Chief Officers, are hereby required to receive and enter the same in a Book or Books to be kept for that Purpose, and to cause a Copy thereof to be hung up in some publick Place in the Custom House thereto belonging, to which all Persons may resort; and the Importation of each Sort of Foreign Corn, Meal, and Flour, and the Payment of the Duty thereon within that District, shall be governed and regulated by such Average Prices, until new Average Prices shall in like Manner be made up and computed, and a Certificate thereof be transmitted to such Collectors or other Chief Officers, and be by them received.

Receivers of Corn Returns to insert in the *Gazette* the weekly Average Prices of Corn and Oatmeal in each County, and the general Aggregate Prices in *England*, and the like Average Prices in *Scotland* monthly.

IV. And whereas, by the aforesaid Act, the Receiver of Corn Returns is directed, in case a sufficient Number of Returns, conformable to the Directions of the said Act, shall not be made from any One or more of the said Districts, nor a Copy of the Account of the Average Prices of the several Sorts of Corn and of Oatmeal sold and delivered within the City of London and Suburbs thereof, to compute, from the Quantities and Prices of the several Sorts of Corn and of Oatmeal, in the Accounts returned to him from all the other Parts of the Kingdom, the Average Price of each Sort of Corn and of Oatmeal, and to transmit a Certificate thereof to the Collectors or Chief Officers of the Ports of every such District, from which sufficient Returns shall not have been made; by which Certificate the Importation and Exportation of Corn and other Articles shall be regulated in every such District, till a new Certificate be received by such Officers: And whereas, by Reason of the different Manners of ascertaining the Price of Corn established by the said Act, and the different Periods at which the same are directed to be ascertained in different Parts of the Kingdom, Doubts have arisen as to the Manner in which the said Receiver ought to compute the said General Average Price of Corn and of Oatmeal in the whole Kingdom: And whereas, by Reason of the different Periods at which the said Price is directed to be ascertained in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, and in that Part of Great Britain called England, Difficulties must arise in computing the General Average Price of the whole Kingdom; be it further enacted, That the said Receiver of Corn Returns shall, and he is hereby authorized and required to make up and compute, at the End of every Week, from the Average Prices of the several Sorts of Corn and of Oatmeal returned to him in the Week immediately preceding, from each City and Town in each respective County, whether Inland or Maritime, in that Part of Great Britain called England, (such Average Prices being ascertained and computed in Manner before respectively directed in the said Act and in this Act), the Average Price of each Sort of Corn and of

Oatmeal in each County; and further to make up and compute, at the End of every Week, from the Average of the County Prices so ascertained, the General Average Price of each Sort of Corn and of Oatmeal in England, and to cause the same respectively to be published in The London Gazette Once in every Week; and also to make up and compute Monthly, from the Returns received by him Monthly from the Sheriff or Sheriff Depute in each County, in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, the Average Price of each Sort of Corn and of Oatmeal during the Four preceding Weeks in each such County; and further, to make up and compute from the Average of the County Prices so ascertained, the General Average Price of each Sort of Corn and of Oatmeal in Scotland, during the Four preceding Weeks, and to cause the same respectively to be published in The London Gazette Once in every Month.

In case a sufficient Number of Returns shall not be made from any Districts, the Receiver of Corn Returns to transmit a Certificate of the General Average Prices to the Officers of the Customs therein, as the Rule for Importation and Exportation.

V. And be it further enacted, That if a sufficient Number of Returns, conformable to the Directions of the said Act, shall not be made from any One or more of the Districts in England or in Scotland respectively, or in case no Copy of the Account of the Average Prices of Corn and of Oatmeal sold and delivered within the City of London, and Suburbs thereof, be transmitted to the Receiver of Corn Returns by the Inspector appointed for the said City of London, or in case any Sort of Corn or Oatmeal should be entirely omitted in all the Returns of any District, or in the said Account received from the Inspector for the City of London, the said Receiver of Corn Returns shall and he is hereby authorized and required, in every such Case, to transmit a Certificate of the General Average Price of each Sort of Corn or of Oatmeal, or of any Sort of Corn or of Oatmeal which may have been omitted as aforesaid, computed as above directed, for England and for Scotland respectively, as the Case may be, to the Collectors or other Chief Officers of the Ports of every such District in England or Scotland respectively, as the Case may be; and according to such Average Prices contained in such Certificate the Importation and Exportation of Corn and other Articles shall

be regulated in every such District, till a new Certificate be received by such Officers, any Thing in the before mentioned Act, passed in the Thirty-first Year of his present Majesty's Reign, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Clause 70 of 31 *Geo.* III, Cap. 30, recited, and repealed.

VI. And whereas by the aforesaid Act it is enacted, That His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, be and he and They is and are thereby authorized, with the Advice of His and Their Privy Council, at any Time when Parliament is not sitting, and when the Average Price of any Sort of Corn or of Oatmeal, taken from the Returns of the whole Kingdom, is higher than the Price at or above which Foreign Corn, Meal, or Flour, of the same Sort, is allowed by Law to be imported at the Low Duties specified in Table (D) in the said Act, to prohibit generally, for a limited Time, the Exportation from this Kingdom of any Sort of Corn or other Articles as aforesaid, and in like Manner to permit generally the Importation, on the lowest Duties then payable, of any Sort of Foreign Corn, Meal, or Flour, and in like Manner to recall such Prohibition or Permission, if Circumstances shall appear so to require; and if any Person shall import or export any Corn or other Articles as aforesaid, contrary to such Prohibition or Permission of His Majesty, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, the Person so importing or exporting the same shall be subject and liable to the like Forfeitures and Penalties, and the said Corn or other Articles, and the Ship or Vessel in which the same shall be imported or exported, shall be subject and liable to the like Forfeitures, as if the said Corn or other Articles were imported or exported contrary to the Provisions of that or any other Act: Provided always, That as often as the Importation of any Sort of Corn, Meal, or Flour, on the Low Duties, shall be permitted by His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, by and with the Advice of His or Their Privy Council, such Permission shall continue in Force for the Space of Three Months at least from the Date of the Order of Council made for that Purpose; be it further enacted, That the said Provision be, and

the same is hereby repealed; and that it shall and may lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and He and They is and are hereby authorized, with the Advice of His or Their Privy Council, at any Time when the General Average Price of any Sort of Corn or of Oatmeal in England or Scotland respectively, taken as herein-before directed, shall appear to be at or above the Price at or above which Foreign Corn, Meal, or Flour, of the same Sort, is allowed by Law to be imported from Ireland, or the Province of Quebec, or the other British Colonies and Plantations in North America, at the First Low Duties specified in the Table marked (E) in the said Act, to prohibit generally, for a limited Time, the Exportation from England or Scotland respectively, as the Case may be, of any such Sort of Corn or other Articles as aforesaid; and in like Manner, at any Time when the Average Price of any Sort of Corn or of Oatmeal in England and Scotland respectively, taken as herein-before directed, shall appear to be at or above the Price at or above which Foreign Corn, Meal, or Flour of the same Sort is allowed by Law to be imported from any other Foreign Country, at the First Low Duty specified in the said Table marked (E), to permit generally the Importation into England or Scotland respectively, as the Case may be, or the taking out of Warehouse for Home Consumption, of any such Sort of Foreign Corn, Meal, or Flour, on Payment of the Second Low Duty only, and no other, and in like Manner to recall such Prohibition or Permission, if Circumstances shall appear so to require; and if any Person shall import or export any Corn or other Articles as aforesaid, contrary to such Prohibition or Permission of His Majesty, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, the Person so importing or exporting the same shall be subject and liable to the like Forfeitures and Penalties, and the said Corn or other Articles, and the Ship or Vessel in which the same shall be imported or exported, shall be subject and liable to the like Forfeitures as if the said Corn or other Articles were imported or exported contrary to the Provisions of this or any

His Majesty in Council may prohibit the Exportation of Corn, &c. or permit the Importation, or taking from Warehouses, Foreign Corn, &c. for Home Consumption, in certain Cases.

Penalty for importing or exporting contrary hereto.

Permission for importing Corn, &c. to continue 3 Months.

any other Act: Provided always, That as often as the Importation of any Sort of Corn, Meal, or Flour, on the Low Duties, shall be permitted by his Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, by and with the Advice of his or Their Privy Council, such Permission shall continue in Force for the Space of Three Months at least from the Date of the Order of Council made for that Purpose, unless such Order be made before the Thirtieth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three.

The Exportation of Foreign Corn, &c. warehoused agreeably to recited Acts, not to be prohibited.

VII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Power hereby granted to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, with the Advice of his or Their Privy Council, to prohibit the Exportation from England and Scotland respectively, of any Sort of Corn or other Articles as aforesaid, shall not extend, or be construed to extend, to any Foreign Corn, Meal, or Flour, that shall have been imported, and shall be warehoused in Manner and on the Conditions mentioned in the said Act, passed in the Thirty-first Year of his present Majesty's Reign.

His Majesty in Council may permit the carrying Coastwise, &c. of Corn, for the Purposes mentioned in the recited or this Act, though prohibited to be exported on Account of the Price being at or above the Price mentioned in Table (*B*) of recited Act.

VIII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That in every such Case, it shall and may be lawful for his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, with the Advice of his or Their Privy Council, to permit the carrying Coastwise, or carrying out, or the Exportation of the several Sorts of Corn, and other Articles herein-before mentioned, for any of the Purposes mentioned in the said Act or in this Act, in like Manner, and in the same Proportions and Quantities, and from and to the same Ports and Places, as is by the said Act or by this present Act allowed, at such Times as any of the several Sorts of Corn, or other Articles before mentioned, are prohibited to be exported, by reason of the Price of any such Sort of Corn being at or above the Price mentioned in Table (B), in the said Act contained, subject to the like Securities, Conditions, Regulations and Restrictions, Forfeitures and Penalties as are by that Act, or by any other Act now in Force in any such Case required and imposed.

IX. Provided also, That if any Person or Persons shall have entered outwards any Corn or other Articles as aforesaid, and shall have begun to ship or lay the same on Board before such Prohibition to export shall be made, it shall be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice of His or Their Privy Council, if he or they shall think fit, to permit the Exportation of such Corn or other Articles actually shipped or laden on Board, or so much thereof expressed in such Entry, as shall have been so shipped or laden on Board at the Time of the Date of such Prohibition, to export in the same Manner as if such Prohibition to export had not been made.

The Quantity shipped of Corn, &c. entered outwards, and begun to be shipped before Prohibition, may be permitted to be exported.

X. And be it further enacted, That Copies of such Orders made by His Majesty in Council for the Purposes aforesaid, if made when Parliament is sitting, be laid before both Houses of Parliament within Three Days after the same shall have been issued; and if made when Parliament is not sitting, then within Fourteen Days after the Meeting of the next Session of Parliament.

Orders in Council to be laid before Parliament.

XI. And whereas Doubts have arisen, whether Wheat, and the several Articles enumerated in Table (A) in the said Act, can, according to the Directions of the said Act, be removed Coastwise, from a Port where the Exportation is allowed without any Bounty, to a Port from whence the same may be exported with the Allowance of Bounty; be it enacted, That, from and after the Fifteenth Day of July One thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, none of the Articles enumerated in Table (A) in the said recited Act shall be removed or carried Coastwise from any Port where the Exportation is allowed without Bounty, to a Port from whence the same may, according to the Directions of the said Act, be exported with the Allowance of Bounty, under the Penalty of the Forfeiture of such Articles as shall be removed or carried Coastwise contrary to the Directions of this Act: Provided always, That nothing in this Act shall extend, or be construed to extend, to prevent any of the said Articles from being removed or carried Coastwise from any Port where the Exportation is allowed without Bounty, and landed in any Port where, at the Time of the Vessel's arriving,

From *July* 15, 1793, no Articles in Table *(A)*, of the recited Act, to be carried Coastwise from any Port where Exportation is allowed without Bounty to any Port where Bounty is allowed, on Penalty of Forfeiture;

but not to extend to Articles not arriving till Bounty is allowed, if it was not allowed at the Time of shipping.

arriving, the Exportation shall be permitted with the Allowance of Bounty, if it shall appear by the Coast Document that the Exportation of such Article was there allowed without Bounty at the Time when the same was actually shipped to be removed or carried Coastwise.

Malt may be carried Coastwise from Ports where Exportation is not allowed by recited Act, to Ports where it may be exported, and from Ports where Exportation is allowed without Bounty, to Ports where Bounty is allowed, &c.

XII. And be it further enacted, That Malt shall be permitted to be carried Coastwise, or otherwise conveyed from any Port in Great Britain, where the Exportation thereof, according to the Regulations of the said Act, is not allowed at the Time that the said Malt was actually shipped, and be landed or unshipped at any other Port of Great Britain, from whence the same, according to the Regulations of the said Act, may then be exported, or from any Port where the Exportation thereof is allowed without Bounty at the Time that the said Malt was actually shipped, and landed or unshipped at any other Port of Great Britain, from whence the same may be exported with the Allowance of Bounty, any Thing in the said Act, or in this Act, to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that due Proof be first made that the Duty of Excise has been paid or charged upon the said Malt, and that the Shipper thereof enter into proper Securities for carrying the same Coastwise.

Seed Corn may be carried Coastwise, &c. on certain Conditions.

XIII. And whereas it is expedient to permit at all Times the carrying of Seed Corn Coastwise; be it therefore enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for any Person to ship and carry Coastwise, at any Time, Seed Corn, any Thing in this Act, or in the said Act, or in any other Act or Acts of Parliament to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, in case such Corn shall be prohibited to be exported, that during such Prohibition, on the carrying of such Corn Coastwise, Bond shall be given, pursuant to the Directions of an Act passed in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, (An Act for the Relief of the Coast Trade of *Great Britain*; for exempting certain Coast Documents from Stamp Duties; for abolishing the Bond usually called *The Isle of Man Bond*; and for permitting Corn and Grain brought Coastwise to be transhipped into Lighters for the Purpose of being carried through the Canal from the

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the *Forth* to the *Clyde*;) and such Corn shall, on the Shipping or Removal Coastwise, be subject and liable to all such Rules, Regulations, Restrictions, Penalties, and Forfeitures, as are enacted and provided in the said last recited Act, on the Shipping and Removal of Goods carried Coastwise.

Oath to be made that such Corn is seed Corn.

XIV. And, in order to ascertain that the Corn to be shipped Coastwise is Seed Corn, be it further enacted, That the Person intending to ship the same shall before shipping verify upon Oath, before the Collector, Comptroller, or Chief Officer of the Customs (who is and are hereby empowered to administer the same) that the Corn is Seed Corn, and intended for the Purpose of being used as Seed Corn, and for no other Purpose whatever; and such Person shall also give Bond (to remain in Force Twelve Months) that the said Corn shall be used as Seed Corn, and for no other Purpose whatever; such Bond to be given to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Treble the Value of the Corn, and to be taken by the Collector, Comptroller, or other Chief Officer of the Customs; and in case such Corn shall be used for any other Purpose than as Seed Corn, the Bond shall be forfeited, and the Person so using such Corn shall forfeit Treble the Value thereof.

Bond to be given that it shall not be used for any other Purpose.

Penalty.

When Oatmeal shall be under 13 *s. per* Boll, a Bounty of 1 *s.* 6 *d.* to be paid on Exportation; but not to be exported when at or above 14 *s.*, except as set forth in Table (*C.*) of recited Act.

XV. And whereas, by the said Act passed in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, the Exportation of Oatmeal is governed and regulated according to the Price of Oats; and it is expedient that the Exportation thereof should be governed and regulated according to the Price of Oatmeal: Be it therefore enacted, That whenever the Price of Oatmeal, taken and ascertained according to the Rules, Regulations, and Restrictions in the said Act made and provided with respect to Oats, shall be under Thirteen Shillings per Boll, there shall be allowed and paid on the Exportation of such Oatmeal in British-built Ships, owned, navigated, and registered according to Law, a Bounty of One Shilling and Sixpence for every such Boll; and whenever the Price of Oatmeal, taken as aforesaid, shall be at or above Fourteen Shillings per Boll, then the same shall not be exported, or loaden or laid on Board any Ship, Vessel,

or Boat, in order to be exported, except to the Places from the Ports and in the Quantities mentioned and set forth in Table (C) in the said recited Act, under the Penalties and Forfeitures in the said Act made and provided.

Such Oatmeal to be subject to the Rules of 31 *Geo.* III, Cap. 30, *&c.*

XVI. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That such Oatmeal shall be subject and liable to all the Rules, Regulations, Restrictions, Penalties, and Forfeitures, on the Removal or Shipping thereof, as Oatmeal is subject and liable to by virtue of the said Act passed in the Thirty-first Year of his present Majesty's Reign, and of this present Act, and also the said recited Act passed in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of his present Majesty.

When the Prices of Corn, *&c.* shall be at or above the Prices in Table *(B)* of recited Act, certain Quantities may be exported to *Hudson's Bay*,

XVII. And whereas the Quantity of Corn and other Articles permitted by the aforesaid Act to be exported in One Year to Hudson's Bay, as often as the Prices of the different Sorts of Corn are at or above the Prices contained in the Table (B) in the said Act, have been found insufficient; be it further enacted, That as often as the Prices of Corn or other Articles shall be at or above the Prices contained in the said Table (B), it shall and may be lawful to export from the Port of London to Hudson's Bay, for the Benefit of the Hudson's Bay Company, and their Servants residing there, any Quantity of Corn or other Articles, not exceeding Five hundred Tons of Wheat Meal or Flour, nor One thousand Quarters of Oats, Oatmeal, Groats, Barley, Peas, Beans, Malt, and Biscuit, in One Year, under the Rules, Regulations, Conditions, and Restrictions provided in the said Act respecting Corn and other Articles so exported to Hudson's Bay, for the Benefit of the Hudson's Bay Company, and their Servants residing there.

and also to *Sierra Leone*.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That as often as the Prices of the different Sorts of Corn shall be at or above the Prices contained in the said Table (B), it shall be lawful to export from the Port of London to the Settlement of Sierra Leone, for the Benefit of the Sierra Leone Company, and the Settlers residing there, any Quantity of Corn, not exceeding Twenty-one Tons of Wheat Flour or Oatmeal, and Twenty-five Quarters of Barley and Peas, in One Year, under the like Rules, Regulations, Conditions,

Conditions, and Restrictions as are provided in the said Act respecting Corn and other Articles so exported to the British Forts, Castles, or Factories in Africa, by the Committee of the Company of Merchants trading to Africa.

In Cases of War, &c. His Majesty in Council may allow certain additional Quantities of Corn, &c. to be exported.

XIX. And whereas by the said Act it is enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, during such Times as Parliament shall not be sitting, in certain Cases, to allow, in Addition to the Quantities specified in Table (C) in the said Act, the Exportation of any of the Sorts of Corn, or of the other Articles in the said Act before mentioned, not exceeding a limited Quantity in any One Year: And whereas it is expedient that His Majesty should have the same Power during such Time as Parliament shall be sitting: Be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, at all Times, in Cases of War, Hurricane, Dearth, or sudden Distress, to allow, in Addition to the Quantities specified in the same Table (C), and in Addition to the Quantities herein-before permitted to be exported to Hudson's Bay and to the Settlement of Sierra Leone, the Exportation of any of the Sorts of Corn, or of the other Articles aforesaid, in any Quantities not exceeding Six thousand Quarters of each of the several Sorts of unground Corn, and Three thousand Tons of each of the several Sorts of ground Corn or Biscuit in any One Year, under the same Rules and Regulations, Conditions and Restrictions, in such Case provided in the said Act passed in the Thirty-first Year of his present Majesty's Reign, or in this present Act.

Sheriff and Stewart Deputes in *Scotland* to charge their actual Expences.

XX. And whereas the Allowance of Twenty Shillings given by the said Act, passed in the Thirty-first Year of his present Majesty's Reign, to the Sheriff and Stewart Deputes in Scotland for each Monthly Return made by them of the Prices of Corn and of Oatmeal within their respective Districts, is not sufficient to defray the Expences incurred by them in summoning Juries and Witnesses, and paying the Officers and Clerks for their Trouble in carrying the said last-mentioned Act into Execution; be it further enacted, That the said Sheriff and Stewart

Deputes, over and above the Sum of Twenty Shillings allowed to them by the said last-mentioned Act, for making out each Return, shall be entitled to charge in their Accounts in the Exchequer in Scotland, the real and actual Expences incurred by them from and since the Commencement of the said last-mentioned Act, or shall be hereafter incurred in summoning Juries and Witnesses, and in carrying the said last-mentioned Act into Execution.

Corn, &c. may be imported and conveyed from *Borrowstoness*, through the *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal to the West Coast of *Scotland* on Payment of the Low Duties.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That if any Ship or Vessel shall arrive at Borrowstoness, laden with Corn, Meal, or Flour destined for the West Coast of Scotland, and that the Importer, Proprietor, or Consignee thereof, or his Agent, shall be desirous to convey such Corn, Meal, or Flour, in Lighters, by or through the Canal called The Forth and Clyde Canal Navigation, to any Port or Creek at the West End of the said Canal, or on the West Coast of Scotland, such Corn, Meal, or Flour may then be imported on Payment of the Duties called The Low Duties; and it shall and may be lawful to unship such Corn, Meal, or Flour into a Lighter or Lighters, and therein to convey the same by or through the said Canal to such Port or Creek as aforesaid, subject nevertheless to the like Conditions, Regulations, Securities, and Restrictions, in all Respects, as Corn, Meal, or Flour which shall be unshipped at Grangemouth in the County of Stirling, to be conveyed by the said Canal in Lighters to any such Port or Creek as aforesaid, at the West End of the said Canal, or on the West Coast of Scotland, is made subject to by the said Act, or by an Act, passed in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the Relief of the Coast Trade of *Great Britain*; for exempting certain Coast Documents from Stamp Duties; for abolishing the Bond usually called *The Isle of Man Bond*; and for permitting Corn and Grain brought Coastwise to be transhipped into Lighters, for the Purpose of being carried through the Canal from the *Forth* to the *Clyde*.

32 *Geo.* III, cap. 50.

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