

ANNO TRICESIMO NONO & QUADRAGESIMO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XCI.

An Act to prohibit, until the Fifteenth Day of *October* One thouſand eight hundred, the Exportation of Rice. [28th *July* 1800.]

Preamble. WHEREAS by an Act, paſſed in the preſent Seſſion of Parliament, a Bounty was granted, in certain Caſes, on Rice imported into this Kingdom, in order to encourage a Supply of the ſame; and it is expedient to prevent the Exportation thereof ſo long as the ſaid Act ſhall be in force: 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 Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That, from and after the Fifteenth Day of *July* One thouſand eight hundred, no Perſon or Perſons whatever ſhall, directly or indirectly, export, carry, or convey, or cauſe or procure to be exported, carried, or conveyed, out of or from any Port or Place of this Kingdom, or ſhall load or lay on board, or cauſe or procure to be laden or laid on board, in any Ship or other Veſſel or Boat, any Rice, in order to be exported, carried, or conveyed, out of any ſuch Port or Place.

From *July* 15, 1800, no Rice ſhall be exported.

Rice exported or put on board any Veſſel for that Purpoſe, ſhall be forfeited, and the Offender ſhall forfeit 6*d.* for every *lb.* of ſuch Rice, and the Veſſel.

II. And be it further enacted, That all Rice which ſhall be ſo exported, carried, or conveyed, or be laden or laid on board in any Ship or other Veſſel or Boat, in order to be exported, carried, or conveyed out of this Kingdom, contrary to this Act, ſhall be forfeited; and that every Offender therein ſhall forfeit alſo the Sum of Sixpence for every Pound Weight of ſuch Rice which ſhall be ſo exported, carried, or conveyed, or ſo laden or laid on board in any Ship or other Veſſel or Boat, in order to be exported, carried, or conveyed out of this Kingdom, and alſo the Ship, Veſſel, or Boat wherein the ſame ſhall be exported, or in or upon which the ſame ſhall be laden or laid in order to be exported, together with her Guns, Furniture, Ammunition, Tackle, and Apparel, ſhall be forfeited, and the ſame reſpectively may be ſeized by any Officer or Officers of the Cuſtoms.

How Penalties and Forfeitures are to be recovered, &c.

III. And be it further enacted, That all Penalties and Forfeitures created and incurred by this Act ſhall and may be ſued for, proſecuted, recovered, and diſpoſed of in ſuch Manner, and by ſuch Ways, Means, and Methods, as any Penalties incurred on any Goods, Ships, or Veſſels forfeited for any Offence againſt the Laws of Cuſtoms, may now be legally ſued for, proſecuted, recovered, and diſpoſed of; and the Officer or Officers concerned in Seizures or Proſecutions under this Act, ſhall be entitled to and receive ſuch Share of the Produce ariſing from the Seizures, as they are now by Law entitled to upon Proſecution of Seizures for unlawful Importation, and to ſuch Share of the Produce ariſing from any pecuniary Fine, or Penalty, or Compoſition paid for any Offence againſt this Act, as they are now by any Law or Regulation entitled to, upon Proſecution for pecuniary Penalties.

Actions brought againſt Perſons for refuſing to receive any Entry for clearing out any Veſſel laden with Rice ſhall be void, &c.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all Perſonal Actions and Suits, Indictments, Informations, and all Proſecutions and Proceedings whatſoever, which have been or ſhall be hereafter proſecuted or commenced againſt any Perſon or Perſons for having refuſed to receive any Entry or Entries for the Exportation of any Rice, or to clear out any Ship or Veſſel laden with Rice, intended to be exported before the paſſing of this Act, be, are, and ſhall be diſcharged and made void, by virtue of this Act; and that if any Action or Suit ſhall be proſecuted or commenced againſt any Perſon or Perſons, for or by reaſon of any ſuch Act, Matter, or Thing, he, ſhe, or they may plead the General Iſſue, and give this Act and the ſpecial Matter in Evidence; and if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs in any Action or Suit ſo to be proſecuted or commenced, ſhall become nonſuit, or forbear further Proſecution, or ſuffer Diſcontinuance, or if a Verdict paſs againſt ſuch Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, the Defendant or Defendants ſhall recover his, her, or their Double Coſts; for which he, ſhe, or they ſhall have the like Remedy as in Caſes where the Coſts by Law are given to the Defendants.

Continuance of Act.

V. And be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall continue in Force until the Fifteenth Day of *October* One thouſand eight hundred.

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