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CAP. XLIX.

An Act for opening and eſtabliſhing certain Ports in the Iſlands of *Jamaica* and *Dominica*, for the more free Importation and Exportation of certain Goods and Merchandizes; for granting certain Duties to defray the Expences of opening, maintaining, ſecuring, and improving, ſuch Ports; for aſcertaining the Duties to be paid upon the Importation of Goods from the ſaid Iſland of *Dominica* into this Kingdom; and for ſecuring the Duties upon Goods imported from the ſaid Iſland into any other *Britiſh* Colony.

Preamble.



WHEREAS the appointing of proper and convenient Ports in ~~some of the British Colonies in~~ America, for the more free Importation and Exportation of several Goods and Merchandizes, under certain Restrictions and Limitations, may be productive of considerable Advantages to the Manufactures of Great Britain, tend to the Improvement of the Revenue thereof, and be a Means of increasing and extending the Trade and Navigation of all his Majesty's Dominions: 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 from and after the First Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and sixty six, live Cattle, and all manner of Goods and Commodities, the Growth or Produce of any Colony or Plantation in America not under the Dominion of his Majesty, his Heirs, and Successors, except Tobacco, may be imported into the Ports called Prince Rupert's Bay and Roseau, in the Island of Dominica, from any Foreign Colony or Plantation in America, in any Foreign Sloop, Schooner, or other Vessel whatsoever, not having more than One Deck; any Law, Custom, or Usage, to the contrary notwithstanding.

From and after 1 *Nov.* 1766, Liberty given to import, in any Foreign One-decked Vessels, live Cattle, and all manner of Goods, the Produce of any *American* Colony, not under the *British* Dominion, into the Island of *Dominica*;

and into the Ports of *Jamaica*; such Goods as are here particularly enumerated, excepted.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the said First Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and sixty six, live Cattle, and all manner of Goods and Commodities, the Growth or Produce of any Colony or Plantation in America not under the Dominion of his Majesty, his Heirs, and Successors, except Sugars, Coffee, Pimento, Ginger, Melasses, and Cobarro, may, in like Manner, be imported into the Ports of Kingston, Savannah, La Mar, Montego Bay, and Santa Lucea, in the Island of Jamaica, from any Foreign Colony or Plantation in America, in any Foreign Sloop, Schooner, or other Vessel whatsoever, not having more than One Deck; any Law, Custom, or Usage, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That nothing in this Act contained shall

ſhall extend, or be conſtrued to extend, to allow any Manufactures from any Colony or Plantation in America not under the Dominion of his Majeſty, his Heirs, and Succeſſors, to be brought or imported into the ſaid Iſlands of Dominica or Jamaica; but that all ſuch Manufactures, ſo brought and imported, ſhall be forfeited, together with the Ship or Veſſel in which the ſame ſhall be imported, with the Tackle, Apparel, and Furniture thereof; to be ſeized by any Officer or Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms, and proſecuted in ſuch Manner as herein after is expreſſed.

But no Foreign Manufactures may be imported into the ſaid Iſlands, on Forfeiture of the Goods and Veſſel.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the Firſt Day of September, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, no Copper Dye, Cotton Wool, Ginger, Fuſtic, or other Dying Woods, Hemp, Indico, Melaſſes, Beaver Skins, or other Furrs, Sugar, Cocoa, Coffee, Pimento, Hides and Skins, Pot and Pearl Aſhes, Raw Silk, or Whale Fins, of the Growth, Production, or Manufacture, of any Britiſh Colony or Plantation in America, ſhall be imported into the ſaid Iſlands of Dominica or Jamaica, or either of them, upon any Pretence whatſoever, upon Forfeiture thereof, with the Ship or Veſſel in which the ſame ſhall be imported; to be ſeized by any Officer of the Cuſtoms, and proſecuted as herein after is expreſſed.

Certain Goods, the Produce of the *Britiſh* Plantations, prohibited to be imported into either of the ſaid Iſlands after 1 *Sept.* 1766, on Forfeiture of the Goods and Veſſel.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall and may be lawful, from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, to export from the ſaid Ports in Dominica and Jamaica, to any Foreign Colony or Plantation in America, in any Foreign Sloop, Schooner, or other Veſſel whatſoever, not having more than One Deck, Negroes brought into the ſaid Ports in Britiſh built Ships navigated according to Law, and all Manner of Goods and Merchandizes whatſoever which ſhall be legally imported into the ſaid Ports from Great Britain and Ireland, and from the Britiſh Colonies or Plantations in America; except Maſts, Yards, or Bow Sprits, Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, and Tobacco; and alſo except ſuch Iron as ſhall be brought from the Britiſh Colonies in America; any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

Negroes imported into the ſaid Iſlands in *Britiſh* Ships, may be exported again in Foreign One-decked Veſſels; as may all *Britiſh* Commodities legally imported, except ſuch as are here mentioned.

Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if there ſhall be any Doubt whether ſuch Goods, ſo intended to be exported, have been legally imported into the ſaid Iſlands of Dominica or Jamaica; the Legality of ſuch Importation ſhall be

Doubts, with reſpect to the Legality of ſuch Importations, to be cleared up by the Oath of the Exporter, &c.

made appear to the Satisfaction of the Collector, or other Principal Officer of the Customs, at the Port of Exportation, by the Oath of the Exporter or Proprietor of ſuch Goods, before the ſame are ſuffered to be ſhipped for Exportation.

Wool, and other enumerated Goods, of Foreign Growth, upon Exportation from either of the ſaid Iſlands, to be imported directly into *Great Britain*, under the Regulations eſtabliſhed by Acts 12, and 22, and 23 *Car.* II.

Provided nevertheleſs, and it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, all Wool, Cotton Wool, Indico, Cochineal, Fuſtic, and all Manner of Dying Drugs or Woods, Drugs uſed in Medicine, Hair, Furrs, Hides, and Skins, Pot and Pearl Aſhes, Whale Fins, and Raw Silk, of the Growth and Produce of any Foreign Colony or Plantation, ſhall, upon the Exportation thereof from either of the ſaid Iſlands of Dominica or Jamaica, be imported directly from thence into Great Britain, under the like Securities, Penalties, and Forfeitures, as are particularly mentioned in Two Acts of Parliament made in the Twelfth, and in the Twenty ſecond and Twenty third, Years of the Reign of King Charles the Second, the former intituled, An Act for the encouraging and increaſing of Shipping and Navigation, and the latter intituled, An Act to prevent the Planting of Tobacco in *England*, and for regulating the Plantation Trade, or either of them, with reſpect to the Goods in thoſe Acts particularly enumerated; any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

No Goods to be exported from *Dominica* to any Part of *Europe* North of *Cape Finiſterre*, except to *Great Britain*; where they are to be landed under the Regulations, &c. of Act 12 *Car.* II.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, no Goods whatſoever ſhall or may be exported from the ſaid Iſland of Dominica to any Part of Europe to the Northward of Cape Finiſterre, except to Great Britain; and ſuch Goods ſhall be there landed, under the ſame Securities, Regulations, and Reſtrictions, and ſubject to the ſame Penalties and Forfeitures, as are mentioned in an Act made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, intituled, An Act for the encouraging and increaſing of Shipping and Navigation; or any ſubſequent Act now in Force with reſpect to the Goods in ſuch Act particularly enumerated.

Sugar imported into *Dominica* may be exported from thence to any Foreign Parts of *Europe* Southward of *Cape Finiſterre*, under certain Regulations.

Provided always, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, it ſhall and may be lawful to export, from the ſaid Ports before-mentioned in the ſaid Iſland of Dominica, any Sugar which ſhall have been imported into the ſame, to any Foreign Parts of Europe to the Southward

ward of Cape Finiſterre, in ſuch Veſſels only, and under ſuch Securities, Regulations, and Reſtrictions, and ſubject to the ſame Penalties and Forfeitures, as Sugar of the Growth and Produce of any of the Britiſh Colonies or Plantations in America may now be exported from ſuch Colonies or Plantations to ſuch Foreign Parts; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

No Veſſel with Goods of the Produce of the *Weſt Indies*, (live Cattle excepted) may proceed from *Dominica* to any other of the *Britiſh Weſt Indian* Iſlands, except in caſe of Diſtreſs;

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, it ſhall not be lawful for any Ship or Veſſel whatſoever, which ſhall load or take on Board at the ſaid Iſland of Dominica any Goods, being the Produce of that Part of America commonly called The Weſt Indies (live Cattle excepted) to proceed to any other Iſland in the Weſt Indies which now is, or hereafter may be, under the Dominion of His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors, on any Pretence whatſoever (actual Diſtreſs excepted) in which Caſe the Maſter or other Perſon having Command or Charge of ſuch Ship or Veſſel ſhall, in Twelve Hours after his Arrival, report the ſame, in Writing, to the Collector, or the Chief Officer of the Cuſtoms, together with the Name of his Veſſel, and where bound, and at the ſame Time deliver in to ſuch Officer a juſt and true Account of his Lading; and ſhall not, upon any Pretence whatſoever, take on Board any Kind of Goods or Merchandize (needful Proviſions for his Voyage, or Neceſſaries for Repairs, excepted, for which he ſhall firſt obtain a Permit from ſuch Officer) and in caſe any ſuch Maſter, or Perſon having Charge of ſuch Ship or Veſſel, ſhall load, or ſuffer to be loaded, any Kind of Goods or Merchandizes (except as before excepted) or, not being in Diſtreſs, ſhall, contrary to the Intent of this Act, come into any Britiſh Iſland in the Weſt Indies; ſuch Ship or Veſſel, together with all her Guns, Tackle, Furniture, and Ammunition, and all Goods whatſoever on Board of her, ſhall be forfeited, and ſhall and may be ſeized and proſecuted by any Officer of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, in ſuch Manner as herein after is expreſſed.

of which Report is to be forthwith made to the Cuſtom-houſe Officer;

nor may take any Goods on Board there,

on Forfeiture of the Veſſel and Goods.

No Goods of the Growth or Manufacture of *Europe*, or the *Eaſt Indies*, &c may be exported from *Dominica* to any of the *Britiſh American* Colonies,

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, no Goods or Commodities of the Growth, Production, or Manufacture of Europe, or the Eaſt Indies or other Places beyond the Cape of Good Hope, ſhall, upon any Pretence

Pretence whatſoever, be exported from the ſaid Iſland of Dominica to any Britiſh Colony or Plantation in America, on Forfeiture of ſuch Goods, and the Ship or Veſſel in which the ſame ſhall be ſo exported, with all her Guns, Tackle, Furniture, and Ammunition; to be ſeized by any Officer or Officers of the Cuſtoms, and proſecuted in the Manner herein after expreſſed.

on Forfeiture of the Goods and Veſſel.

And whereas it is neceſſary that Proviſion ſhould be made for defraying the Expences which may be incurred in carrying into Execution the Directions and Proviſions of this Act, and for maintaining, ſecuring, and improving, the ſaid Ports; therefore we, Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Great Britain in Parliament aſſembled, do moſt humbly beſeech Your Majeſty, that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, there ſhall be raiſed, levied, collected, and paid, unto His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors, a Duty of One Pound Ten Shillings for and upon every Negroe which ſhall be exported in any Foreign Ship or Veſſel out of or from the ſaid Iſland of Jamaica; and the like Duty of One Pound Ten Shillings for and upon every Negroe which ſhall be imported into the ſaid Iſland of Dominica; and alſo the following Duties for and upon the Goods and Merchandizes herein after mentioned, which ſhall be imported into the ſaid Iſland of Dominica; *that is to ſay,*

Duty to be paid on Exportation of Negroes in Foreign Veſſels from *Jamaica*;

and upon Importation of Negroes into *Dominica*:

Duty upon other Goods imported into *Dominica*.

For every Barrel of Beef and Pork, Six Pence.
For every Firkin of Butter, Six Pence.
For every Hundred Weight Avoirdupois of Sugar, Six Pence.
For every Hundred Weight Avoirdupois of Cocoa, Two Shillings.
For every Hundred Weight Avoirdupois of Coffee, Six Pence.

And after thoſe Rates for any greater or leſſer Quantity of ſuch Goods and Merchandizes reſpectively.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all the ſaid Duties ſhall be deemed and taken to be Sterling Money of Great Britain, and be received to the Amount of the Value which ſuch nominal Sums bear in Great Britain; and that ſuch Monies may be received and taken according to the Proportion and Value of Five

Duties to be deemed as Sterling Money of *Great Britain*;

Shillings and Six Pence the Ounce in Silver; and that the ſaid Duties ſhall be raiſed, levied, collected, paid, and recovered, in the ſame Manner and Form, and by ſuch Rules, Ways, and Means, and under ſuch Penalties and Forfeitures, as any other Duties now payable to His Majeſty upon Goods imported into, or exported from, the Britiſh Colonies or Plantations in America, may be reſpectively raiſed, levied, collected, paid, and recovered, by any Act or Acts of Parliament now in Force; and that all the Monies which ſhall ariſe by the ſaid Duties (except the neceſſary Charges of raiſing, collecting, levying, recovering, anſwering, and accounting for, the ſame) ſhall be applied and diſpoſed of, from time to time, in ſuch Manner as His Majeſty ſhall, by any Warrant or Warrants under His Royal Sign Manual, counterſigned by the High Treaſurer, or any Three or more of the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury for the time being, direct and appoint, for defraying the Expences of carrying into Execution the Purpoſes of this Act, and for maintaining, ſecuring, and improving, the ſaid Ports; and if any Overplus ſhall remain of the Monies ariſing by the ſaid Duties, after defraying ſuch Expences as aforeſaid, the ſame ſhall be paid into the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer at Weſtminſter, and be there reſerved to be, from time to time, diſpoſed of by Parliament, towards defraying the neceſſary Expences of defending, protecting, and ſecuring, the Britiſh Colonies and Plantations in America.

at the Rate of 5*s.* 6*d. per* Oz. Silver.

Application of the Monies ariſing by the ſaid Duties.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, no Duties ſhall be paid, other than ſuch as are herein before mentioned, for or in reſpect of any Goods the Growth or Product of any Foreign Colony or Plantation in America, which ſhall be imported into any ſuch Port in the ſaid Iſland of Dominica (except ſuch Duties as have been, or ſhall be, impoſed, by any Act of this preſent Seſſion of Parliament, upon Melaſſes and Syrups imported into any Britiſh Colony or Plantation in America) any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

No other Duties to be paid for Goods as aforeſaid imported into *Dominica*, than thoſe before mentioned;

except upon Melaſſes and Syrups.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the Firſt Day of January, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven, all Goods and Commodities of American Produce, which ſhall be imported into Great Britain from the ſaid Iſland of Dominica (except ſuch Quantities of Sugar

After 1 *Jan.* 1767, all *American* Goods imported into *Great Britain* from *Dominica*,

certificated Rum and Sugar excepted;

and Rum as shall be imported by Certificate as herein after mentioned) shall be deemed and taken to be Goods and Commodities of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture, of Foreign Colonies or Plantations, and shall be liable to the same Duties, Regulations, and Restrictions, Penalties and Forfeitures, in all Respects, as the like Goods of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture, of any French Colony or Plantation would be liable to by Law.

are made liable to the same Duties, &c. as like Goods of the *French* Colonies.

Licence to import certificated Rum and Sugar from *Dominica*, under certain Conditions and Regulations.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the said First Day of January, One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven, it shall be lawful to import from the said Island of Dominica, in British built Vessels navigated according to Law, into Great Britain, any Sugar or Rum, upon Payment of the like Duties and Customs as are now payable upon the Importation of Sugar and Rum respectively of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture, of the British Colonies or Plantations in America; and such Goods shall, in all other Respects, be liable to the same Rules, Regulations, and Restrictions, as British Sugar and Rum are now liable to by Law; provided the Person loading such Sugar and Rum on Board any Ship or Vessel in the said Island of Dominica shall, before the Clearing out of the same, prove to the Satisfaction of the Collector, or other principal Officer of the Customs, at the Loading Port, that the said Goods bona fide grew, or were produced and manufactured in the said Island of Dominica, by the Oath of the Grower, Maker, or Shipper, of such Goods, or his or their known Agent or Factor, expressing in Words at Length, and not in Figures, the Quality of the Goods so shipped, with the Number and Denomination of the Packages; which Oath shall be administered by such Collector, or other principal Officer of the Customs, and signed in his Presence by the Person proving the Facts; and the Collector, or other principal Officer of the Customs, before whom such Proof shall be made, shall thereupon grant to the Master, or other Person having the Charge of the Ship or Vessel, a Certificate, under his Hand and Seal of Office (without Fee or Reward) of his having received such Proof pursuant to the Directions of this Act; which Certificate shall express the Quality of the Goods shipped on Board such Ship or Vessel, with the Number and Denomination of the Packages; and upon the Arrival of such Ship or Vessel into any Port in this Kingdom, the Master, or other

other Perſon taking the Charge or Command of ſuch Ship or Veſſel, ſhall, at the Time he makes his Report of his Cargo, deliver the ſaid Certificate to the Collector, or other principal Officer of the Cuſtoms, in ſuch Port, and make Oath before him, that the Goods ſo reported are the ſame that are mentioned in the ſaid Certificate.

No Goods of *American* Produce, liable to Duties, to be imported into any *Britiſh* Colony from *Dominica*, without a Certificate;

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſix, no Goods or Commodities whatſoever of American Produce, liable to the Payment of any Duty on Importation into any Britiſh Colony or Plantation on the Continent of America, ſhall be imported there, from the ſaid Iſland of Dominica, without a Certificate, to be produced and proved in the Manner before directed, ſpecifying whether ſuch Goods are the Growth or Produce of any Foreign or Britiſh Colony or Plantation, on Forfeiture of ſuch Goods, and the Veſſel in which the ſame ſhall be imported; to be ſeized and proſecuted as herein after is directed.

on Forfeiture of the Goods and Veſſel.

Application of the Duties payable upon Importation of ſuch Goods into *Great Britain* from *Dominica*, as are deemed of *French* or Foreign Produce.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Monies ariſing by the ſaid Duties upon the Importation into this Kingdom, from the ſaid Ports in the Iſland of Dominica, of ſuch Goods and Merchandizes as are herein before directed to be deemed and taken to be of French or Foreign Produce, ſhall (except the neceſſary Charges of raiſing, collecting, recovering, paying, and accounting, for the ſame) be paid into the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, and be applied and diſpoſed of to ſuch Uſes as the Duties upon ſuch Foreign Goods are now applicable unto.

Duties payable upon importation of uncertified Goods legally imported from *Dominica*;

Provided always, and it is hereby declared and enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Importer or Proprietor of any Goods or Commodities liable to the Payment of any Duties to His Majeſty, His Heirs, or Succeſſors, which ſhall be lawfully imported from the ſaid Iſland of Dominica into Great Britain, after the ſaid Firſt Day of January, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty ſeven, without any ſuch Certificate as is herein before mentioned, ſhall and may, upon the Importation thereof, pay down in ready Money to the Collector of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, only Three Pence per Hundred Weight Avoirdupois upon Sugars ſo imported; and only One Half of the Old Subſidy granted by the Act of Tonnage and Poundage, made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, upon all

viz. upon Sugars;

upon other Goods.

No Drawback to be allowed on Exportation; Sugars and Goods to be warehoused, and to be delivered out, if for Exportation, upon certain Conditions.

all other Goods; which said respective Duties shall not be afterwards drawn back or repaid upon the Exportation of such Sugars, and other Goods; provided the same shall, upon landing, be immediately lodged and secured under the King's Locks, in Warehouses provided at the sole Expence of the Importer or Proprietor thereof, with the Privity and Approbation, and under the Care and Inspection, of the Commissioners or principal Officers of the Customs for the Port where such Sugars, and other Goods, shall be imported, and shall not be delivered out of any such Warehouse but upon the following Conditions; that is to say, If such Sugars, or other Goods, or any Part thereof, shall be delivered for Exportation to Foreign Parts, the Owner or Exporter thereof, together with One other sufficient Person, shall enter into Bond to His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, in Treble the Amount of the full Duties which would be due and payable for such Sugars, or other Goods, if the same were consumed in this Kingdom; with Condition that no Part of such Sugars, and other Goods, shall be relanded in Great Britain or Ireland, or any of the Dominions belonging to the Crown of Great Britain; which Bonds shall be discharged in the same Manner as the Bonds given for the due Exportation of prohibited East India Goods are discharged by any Law now in Force.

If such Sugars or Goods be relanded or unshipped contrary to this Act, they are forfeited, with the Vessel and Carriages employed therein;

And, the better to prevent the relanding such Sugars, or other Goods, be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any such Sugars, or other Goods, shall be relanded or unshipped to be relanded contrary to this Act, the same, together with the Boats, Lighters, or any other Vessels, Horses, or other Cattle and Carriages whatsoever, which may be employed or made use of in the Removal, Carriage, or Conveyance thereof, as also the Ship or Vessel from which the same shall be unloaded, together with her Furniture and Apparel, shall be forfeited, and shall and may be seized by any Officer or Officers of the Customs; and all and every Person or Persons who shall be assisting, or otherwise concerned in the unshipping or relanding such Sugars, or other Goods, or to whose Hands the same shall knowingly come after the unshipping thereof, shall forfeit Treble the Value of such Sugars and other Goods; which said Penalties and Forfeitures shall and may be prosecuted, sued for, recovered, and divided, in such Manner and Form, and by such Rules and Regulations,

and Persons concerned forfeit Treble Value.

gulations, as Penalties and Forfeitures inflicted for unſhipping prohibited or uncuſtomed Goods in this Kingdom may be proſecuted, ſued for, recovered, and divided, by any Law now in Force.

Veſſel, on Board which Sugars or Goods ſhall be ſhipped for Re-exportation, not to be under 70 Tons Burthen;

Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no ſuch Sugars, or other Goods, ſhall be ſhipped, or permitted to be ſhipped or loaden, for Re-exportation from Great Britain, on board any Ship or Veſſel of leſs Burthen than Seventy Tons; to be aſcertained by the ſame Rules and Dimenſions, as the Tonnage of Ships importing Brandy and other Spirits into this Kingdom is to be aſcertained, by an Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of King George the Firſt, intituled, An Act for preventing Frauds and Abuſes in the Public Revenues of Exciſe, Cuſtoms, Stamp Duties, Poſt Office, and Houſe Money.

to be aſcertained purſuant to Act 6 *Geo.* I.

If the Sugars or Goods be taken out for Home Conſumption,

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any ſuch Sugars, or other Goods, ſhall be taken out of any Warehouſe wherein the ſame ſhall be ſecured as aforeſaid, in order to be uſed in this Kingdom; the Perſon or Perſons, ſo taking out the ſame, ſhall firſt pay up the Remainder of the Duties which would have been due and payable upon the Importation of the like Sugars or other Goods, of the Growth or Production of the French Colonies or Plantations in America, into this Kingdom; and they ſhall, in all other Reſpects, be liable to the ſame Reſtrictions and Regulations as ſuch French Sugars and Goods would have been ſubject and liable to if this Act had not been made.

the Remainder of the Duties to be paid, *&c.*

If they ſhall be neither exported, nor the full Duties paid, within a Year,

Cuſtom-houſe may ſell the ſame;

and apply the Monies in Diſcharge of the Duties and Charge.

Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted, That if ſuch Sugars or Goods ſhall not be either exported, or the full Duties paid for the ſame, within Twelve Calendar Months from the Importation thereof, but ſhall then continue and be ſtill remaining in the ſaid Warehouſes; in ſuch Caſe, it ſhall and may be lawful for the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms for the time being, or any Three or more of them, to cauſe the ſaid Sugars, or other Goods, ſo remaining, to be publickly ſold by Auction, or Inch of Candle, to the beſt Bidder; and the Money ariſing by ſuch Sale, to be applied firſt in Diſcharge of the Duties, and the Expences of ſuch Sales; and the Overplus, if any, to be paid to the Importer or Proprietor of ſuch Sugars or Goods, or other Perſons authorized to receive the ſame.

And for the better and more effectual preventing the Importation of Foreign Sugars into this Kingdom, from the ſaid Iſland of Dominica, under Pretence that

the same are the Growth and Produce of that Island; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the First Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven, all Foreign Sugars which shall be imported into the said Island of Dominica, shall, upon landing, be immediately deposited in Warehouses, provided at the sole Expence of the Importer or Proprietor thereof, with the Privity and Approbation, and under the Care and Inspection of the Collector, or other Principal Officer of the Customs, at the Port where such Sugars shall be landed, and shall be there secured, under the separate Locks of such Officer and the Proprietor, till the same shall be shipped for Re-exportation; and before such Sugars are delivered out for Exportation to Great Britain, every Cask shall be marked, in such Manner as the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs in England shall think proper to direct, to denote that such Sugars are Foreign, and have been warehoused: And if any Foreign Sugars shall, after the said First Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven, be landed in the said Island of Dominica without being so warehoused, or shall be shipped for Exportation to Great Britain without being marked in the Manner before directed, the same shall be forfeited; and shall and may be seized by any Officer of the Customs, and prosecuted as herein after is directed.

Foreign Sugars imported into *Dominica*, to be warehoused;

and before being delivered out for Exportation to *Great Britain*, to be marked by the Custom-house Officers;

on Forfeiture thereof.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Duty of Gunpowder, nor any Fee or Reward whatsoever shall be demanded, taken, or received, by any Officer or Officers whatsoever, in the said Islands of Dominica and Jamaica, for any Entry, Cocquet, Clearance, or Passport, of or for any Foreign Ship or Vessel; or for any Goods imported into, or exported from, the said Islands, in such Foreign Ship or Vessel, in pursuance of this Act, under the like Pains and Penalties, as are inflicted upon Officers exacting and receiving greater Fees than are allowed by an Act made in the last Session of Parliament, for more effectually securing and encouraging the Trade of His Majesty's American Dominions, and for other Purposes in the said Act mentioned.

Penalty on Officers exacting or taking Fees.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Penalties and Forfeitures inflicted by this Act, which shall be incurred in America, shall and may be prosecuted, sued for, recovered, and divided there, in the same Manner and Form, by the same Rules and Regulations, in all Respects, as any other Forfeitures or Penalties inflicted by any other Act of Parliament for

Recovery and Application of Penalties and Forfeitures in *America*.

Offences

Offences againſt the Laws relating to the Cuſtoms or Trade of His Majeſty's Colonies, may, by any Act or Acts of Parliament now in Force, be proſecuted, ſued for, recovered, and divided.

And it is hereby further enacted and declared, That this Act ſhall continue in Force, to the Firſt Day of November, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy three, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament. Act to continue in Force to 1 *Nov.* 1773.

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