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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XVI.

An Act to prohibit until the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and two, the making of Malt and the distilling of Spirits from Corn or Grain in *Ireland*. [24th *March* 1801.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is necessary to prohibit the making of Malt and the distilling of Spirits from Corn or Grain in that Part of the United Kingdom called *Ireland*, for a limited Time; therefore 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 passing of this Act, until and upon the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and two, it shall not be lawful for any Person or Persons to make Malt in *Ireland* of any Corn or Grain whatsoever; and if any Person or Persons shall, from and after the passing of this Act, make, or cause or suffer to be made, any Malt of Corn or Grain, or shall wet or put into Steep, or cause or suffer to be wetted or put into Steep, any Corn or Grain, or shall put or cause to be put on any Kiln any wetted or malted Corn or Grain, or any Corn or Grain which had been wetted or malted, or shall cause to be put any Corn or Grain into any Process of manufacturing into Malt, or any Part of such Process, or if any Person shall have in his or her Possession any such Malt of Corn or Grain, or any Corn or Grain in Process for manufacturing into Malt, every such Person as aforesaid shall, for every Barrel of such Malt or Corn or Grain, forfeit and pay the Sum of Twenty Pounds, and all such Malt or Corn or Grain in Process as aforesaid, shall be forfeited, and may be seized by any Justice of the Peace, or by any Officer of Excise in *Ireland*.

Until *March* 25, 1802, no Malt shall be made in *Ireland* of Corn or Grain; on Penalty of 20*l.* for each Barrel, and Forfeiture of the Malt, or Corn or Grain.

Until *March* 25, 1802, no Spirits shall be distilled from Corn or Grain, *etc.* on Penalty of 500 *l.* and Forfeiture of the Spirits, *etc.*

II. And be it enacted, That, from and after the passing of this Act until and upon the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and two, it shall not be lawful for any Person or Persons to distil or make any Spirits or Strong Waters from any Corn or Grain whatsoever, or from any Malt or Tilts, or from Meal, Flour, or Bran, or any Mixture with the same, or to brew or make, or prepare for brewing or making, any Worts or Pot-ale, from any Corn or Grain, or from any Malt or Tilts, or from Meal, Flour, or Bran, or any Mixture with the same, for the making of Spirits, or to make any Singlingo from any such Pot-ale; and if any Person or Persons shall, during the said Term, distill or make, or cause or suffer to be distilled or made, any such Spirits or Strong Waters, or brew or make, or cause to be brewed or made, or shall prepare for brewing or making, or have in his or her Possession any such Worts or Pot-ale, or if any Person shall make or cause to be made, or have in his or her Possession any such Singlingo, every such Person shall forfeit the Sum of Five hundred Pounds; and all Spirits or Strong Waters distilled or made from Corn or Grain, or from Malt, Tilts, Meal, Flour, or Bran, or any Mixture with the same, during the Time aforesaid, and all Preparation for brewing such Worts and Pot-ale, and all such Worts, Pot-ale, Wash, and Singlingo, found during the Time aforesaid, shall be forfeited, and may be seized by any Justice of the Peace, or by any Officer of Excise in *Ireland*.

Persons employed in making such Malt or Spirits shall forfeit 20 *l.*

III. And be it enacted, That every Servant, Workman, or Labourer, employed or assisting in any Part of the Process of making any Corn or Grain into Malt, or in any Part of the Process of making or distilling any Spirits from any Corn or Grain, or from Malt, Tilts, Meal, Flour, or Bran, mixed or unmixed with any other Material, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Twenty Pounds.

Persons fined shall, for subsequent Offences, suffer One Year's Imprisonment.

IV. And be it enacted, That if any Person on whom any such Fine as aforesaid shall be inflicted, shall in due course of Law be convicted of any subsequent Offence against this Act, every such Person shall be adjudged to suffer One Year's Imprisonment in the Common Gaol of the County in which such Conviction shall be.

The Lord Lieutenant, with the Advice of the Privy Council of *Ireland*, may, after *Oct.* 1, 1801, allow the making of Malt and the distilling of Spirits from Corn or Grain, *etc.*

V. Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland* for the Time being, with the Advice of His Majesty's Privy Council of *Ireland* for any Time or Times respectively, as they shall think fit, after the First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and one, by Proclamation to allow the making of Malt and the distilling of Spirits from Corn or Grain, Malt, Tilts, Meal, Flour, or Bran, or any Mixture with the same, or either of them, for such Time or Times, and under such Limitations, Restrictions, and Regulations, as shall in such Proclamation be expressed; and no Person in respect of any Act allowed by any such Proclamation to be done, shall be subject to any Penalty or Punishment inflicted by this Act.

Penalties may be recovered, levied, and applied, as directed by any Law relative to the Excise in *Ireland*.

VI. And be it enacted, That all pecuniary Fines and Penalties inflicted by this Act, shall be sued for and recovered, levied and applied, in such Manner and Form, and by such Ways and Means, and with such Powers and Authorities as are prescribed, directed, and appointed, in and by an Act

of Parliament made in *Ireland* in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of the Reign of His late Majeſty King *Charles* the Second, intituled, *An Act for the ſettling of the Exciſe or new Impoſt upon His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, according to the Book of Rates therein inſerted*, or by any other Law or Laws relative to His Majeſty's Revenue of Exciſe, as fully and effectually to all Intents, Conſtructions, and Purpoſes, as if the ſame were expreſſed in this Act, with like Remedy of Appeal to and for the Party who ſhall think him, her, or themſelves aggrieved or injured as, in and by the ſaid Act of Exciſe, or any other Law or Laws relating to His Majeſty's Revenue of Exciſe in *Ireland*, is provided.

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