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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XV.

An Act to prohibit the Diſtillation of Spirits from Wheat in *Ireland*. [15th *December* 1801.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that the Uſe of Wheat, Wheat Meal, or Wheaten Flour in the brewing, making, or fermenting any Wort, Waſh, or Pot Ale for making or extracting Spirits, ſhould be prohibited in that Part of the United Kingdom called *Ireland*; 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 from and after the paſſing of this Act no Diſtiller or Diſtillers, or Maker or Makers of Spirits ſhall apply, ſpend, conſume, or make uſe of, or cauſe, procure, permit, or ſuffer to be applied, ſpent, conſumed, or made uſe of any Wheat, Wheat Meal, or Wheat Flour in the brewing, making, or fermenting any Wort, Waſh, or Pot Ale for making or extracting Spirits in that Part of the United Kingdom called *Ireland*; and if any Diſtiller or Diſtillers, or Maker or Makers of Low Wines or Spirits ſhall apply, ſpend, conſume, or make uſe of, or cauſe, procure, permit, or ſuffer to be applied, ſpent, conſumed, or made uſe of any Wheat, Wheat Meal, or Wheat Flour in the brewing, making, or fermenting any Waſh, or Pot Ale for making or extracting Spirits in that Part of the

No Diſtiller ſhall make uſe of any Wheat, &c. in the Diſtillation of Spirits in *Ireland* on Penalty of 200 *l.* and Forfeiture of the Wheat, &c.

United Kingdom called *Ireland*, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, the Perſon or Perſons ſo offending ſhall, for each and every ſuch Offence, forfeit and loſe the Sum of Two hundred Pounds; and all ſuch Wheat, Wheat Meal, or Wheat Flour, and Worts, Waſh, or Pot Ale, and the Bags, Caſks, or Veſſels containing the ſame ſhall be forfeited, and may be ſeized by any Juſtice of the Peace or any Officer of His Majeſty's Revenue; and upon the Trial of any Information for the ſaid Penalty, or any of the ſaid Forfeitures, the Defendant or Defendants therein ſhall be convicted, or the Wheat, Wheat Meal, Wheat Flour, Worts, Waſh, or Pot Ale condemned, unleſs Proof ſhall be made by the Defendant or Claimant, that the Wheat, Wheat Meal, or Wheat Flour, Worts, Waſh, or Pot Ale, or any Part thereof, was not ſuch as ſhall be alledged in ſuch Information; and every Servant of ſuch Diſtiller or Diſtillers, Maker or Makers of Spirits, and every other Perſon who ſhall be aiding and aſſiſting in the applying, ſpending, conſuming, or making uſe of any Wheat, Wheat Meal, or Wheat Flour in the brewing, making, or fermenting any Wort, Waſh, or Pot Ale for making, or extracting Spirits, or in carrying or conveying the ſame into the Houſe, Still Houſe, or other Place uſed by ſuch Diſtiller or Diſtillers, Maker or Makers of Low Wines or Spirits, in the brewing, making, or fermenting ſuch Wort, Waſh, or Pot Ale, ſhall alſo forfeit and loſe, for every ſuch Offence, the Sum of Twenty Pounds, and in Default of Payment thereof immediately upon Conviction, ſhall be liable to ſuffer Three Months Impriſonment in the Houſe of Correction, and to be kept to hard Labour during ſuch Impriſonment.

Perſons aiding to forfeit 20 *l.*

How Penalties may be ſued for.

II. And be it enacted, That all and every the Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures inflicted by this Act ſhall and may be ſued for, recovered, and levied 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 the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years 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*, as fully and effectually, to all Intents, Conſtructions, and Purpoſes as if the ſame were particularly mentioned, expreſſed, and enacted in this Act, with like Remedy of Appeal to and for the Party and Parties who ſhall think him, her, or themſelves aggrieved or injured, as in and by the ſaid Act is provided.

Act may be repealed or altered this Seſſion.

III. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be repealed or altered by any Act to be paſſed in this preſent Seſſion of Parliament.

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