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An Act for continuing the Premiums allowed to Ships employed in, and for enlarging the Limits of the Southern Whale Fiſhery. [24th *February* 1802.]

WHEREAS it is proper to encourage the Fiſhery carried on by His Majeſty's *European* Subjects in the Seas to the Southward of the *Greenland* Seas and *Davis*'s *Streights* for the Purpoſe of taking Whales and others Creatures being in thoſe Seas, by continuing certain Premiums granted in an Act paſſed in the Thirty-eighth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for further encouraging the Southern Whale Fiſheries*; 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 ſeveral Premiums herein-after mentioned ſhall be paid and allowed to Sixteen Ships or Veſſels employed in the ſaid Fiſhery, under the Limitations, Reſtrictions, and Regulations contained in the ſaid Act, and alſo in an Act paſſed in the Thirty-fifth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, and mentioned in the ſaid Act, and under the Limitations, Reſtrictions, and Regulations expreſſed in this preſent Act.

38 Geo. 3. c. 57, recited.

Premiums to be allowed to 16 Ships.

Premiums and Conditions for 12 Ships.

II. And be it further enacted, That for Twelve of ſuch Ships or Veſſels which ſhall be ſo fitted and cleared out between the Firſt Day of *January* and the Thirty-firſt Day of *December* One thouſand eight hundred and two, and between the Firſt Day of *January* and the Thirty-firſt Day of *December* in each of the Three ſucceeding Years, and ſhall ſail to the Southward of the Equator and there carry on the Fiſhery, and ſhall return before the Firſt Day of *December* in the Year ſubſequent to that in which they cleared out to ſome Port in *Great Britain*, there ſhall be paid and allowed Three hundred Pounds to each of the Four ſuch Ships which ſhall ſo ſail and firſt arrive within the Times herein-before mentioned with the greateſt Quantity of Oil or Head Matter, taken together being not leſs in the Whole than Twenty Tons in each of ſuch Ships or Veſſels, and being the Produce of One or more Whale or Whales, or other Creatures being in thoſe Seas, taken and killed by the Crews of every ſuch Ship or Veſſel reſpectively; and there ſhall be paid Two hundred Pounds to each of the Four ſuch Ships or Veſſels which ſhall in like Manner ſail and firſt arrive with the next greateſt Quantity of ſuch Oil or Head Matter, taken together being not leſs in the Whole than Twenty Tons in every ſuch Ship or Veſſel, and being the Produce of any Whale or Whales, or other Creatures being in thoſe Seas ſo taken as aforeſaid; and there ſhall be paid and allowed One hundred Pounds to each of the Four ſuch Ships or Veſſels, and which ſhall in like Manner ſail and firſt arrive with the next greateſt Quantity of ſuch Oil or Head Matter, taken together being not leſs in the Whole than Twenty Tons in every ſuch Ship or Veſſel, and being the Produce of any Whale or Whales, or other Creatures being in thoſe Seas ſo taken as aforeſaid.

Premiums and Conditions for Four Ships.

III. And be it further enacted, That for Four other ſuch Ships or Veſſels which ſhall be ſo fitted or cleared out, and ſhall ſail within the Times herein-before mentioned, and proceed to the Southward of Thirty-ſix Degrees of South Latitude, and ſhall there *bonâ fide* carry on the ſaid Fiſhery, and ſhall not return till after the Expiration of Fourteen Calendar Months from the Day on which they cleared out, but before the Thirty-firſt Day of *December* in the Second Year after their clearing out to ſome Port in *Great Britain*, there ſhall be paid and allowed Four hundred Pounds to each of ſuch Ships or Veſſels which ſhall ſo ſail and arrive within the Times herein-before laſt-mentioned, with the greateſt Quantity of Oil and Head Matter, taken together being not leſs in the Whole than Twenty Tons, and being the Produce of any Whale or Whales or other Creatures being in thoſe Seas, and taken and killed by the Crew of ſuch Ship or Veſſel.

Licenced Ships ſailing to the Eaſtward of the *Cape of Good Hope*, may, in certain Latitudes, paſs to the Northward.

IV. And whereas it is expedient further to encourage the ſaid Fiſheries, by extending the Limits preſcribed in the before-mentioned Acts for the ſaid Southern Whale Fiſheries, be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for any Ship or Veſſel fitting and clearing out and licenced conformably to the firſt-mentioned Act, and ſailing to the Eaſtward of the *Cape of Good Hope* for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, and having paſſed beyond One hundred and Twenty-three Degrees of Eaſt Longitude from *London*, to ſail or paſs to the Northward as far as One Degree of Northern

thern Latitude, but no further to the Northward, until ſuch Ship or Veſſel ſhall have ſailed or paſſed to the Eaſtward of One hundred and eighty Degrees of Eaſt Longitude from *London*; any Thing in the ſaid Acts, or any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom to the contrary notwithſtanding.

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