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An Act for permitting *French* Wines to be imported into *Great Britain* in Bottles or Flasks, under certain Restrictions. [7th *May* 1802.]

WHEREAS by an Act, made in the Twenty-seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for repealing the several Duties of Customs and Excise, and granting other Duties in lieu thereof, and for applying the said Duties, together with the other Duties composing the publick Revenue; for permitting the Importation of certain Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, the Produce or Manufacture of the* European *Dominions of the* French *King, into this Kingdom; and for applying certain unclaimed Monies remaining in the Exchequer, for the Payment of Annuities on Lives, to the Reduction of the National Debt*, the Importation of *French* Wine into *Great Britain* was allowed for a limited Time, on Payment of certain Duties therein enumerated: And whereas the said Time has expired, and it is expedient that *French* Wine should be allowed to be imported under certain Restrictions; 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, it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons whatever to import or bring into *Great Britain*, as well for Sale as for private Use, directly from *France* any *French* Wines in Bottles or Flasks, on Payment of

27 Geo. 3. c. 13.

French Wines in Bottles or Flasks may be imported, on Payment of the Duties inserted in the

Schedule annexed to recited Act, marked C. and F., and all other Duties impoſed thereon, and on complying with certain Conditions.

of the ſeveral and reſpective Duties inſerted, deſcribed, and ſet forth in the Table and Schedule annexed to the ſaid recited Act, marked C. and F., and all other Duties of Cuſtoms or Exciſe now due and payable on the Importation of ſuch Wines by any other Act or Acts of Parliament: Provided always, that ſuch Wines ſhall be imported in *Britiſh* built Ships or Veſſels, owned, navigated, and regiſtered according to Law, or in *French* built Ships or Veſſels owned by and belonging wholly to Natives of *France*, and whereof the Maſter and Three-fourths of the Mariners at the leaſt are Natives of *France*, and in ſuch Manner, and under and according to ſuch and the like Rules, Regulations, Conditions, and Reſtrictions, and ſubject to ſuch and the like Penalties and Forfeitures, as are provided and enacted in the ſaid recited Act, or any other Act or Acts of Parliament relating to Duties of Cuſtoms and Exciſe, ſo far as the ſame are applicable thereto.

But this Act, nor 39 and 40 Geo. 3. c. 83., ſhall not permit ſuch Importation other than in Packages of Six Dozen at leaſt of Quart Bottles or Flaſks, on Pain of Forfeiture.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing contained in this Act, or in an Act paſſed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for permitting* French *Wines to be imported into this Kingdom from the Iſles of* Guernſey, Jerſey, *or* Alderney, *in Bottles or Flaſks*, ſhall extend, or be conſtrued to extend, to permit the Importation of any *French* Wines in Bottles or Flaſks, other than in Packages, each of which ſhall contain at the leaſt Six Dozen reputed Quart Bottles or Flaſks; and in caſe any *French* Wines in Bottles or Flaſks ſhall be imported in any other Way, Form, or Manner, or in any leſs Quantity, the ſame ſhall and are hereby declared to be forfeited, and ſhall and may be ſeized by any Officer or Officers of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms.

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