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An Act for allowing Veſſels employed in the *Greenland* Whale Fiſhery, to complete their full Number of Men at certain Ports for the preſent Seaſon.

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WHEREAS it may be difficult, in the preſent Circumſtances, for the Maſters or Owners of Ships employed in the Fiſhery carried on in the *Greenland* Seas, and *Davis's Streights*, by virtue of certain Acts for granting Bounties for the Encouragement of the *Greenland* Whale Fiſheries; and for making Regulations reſpecting the ſame, to be provided with their full Complement of Men at the Ports from which ſuch Ships are fitted and cleared out for the ſaid Fiſhery; for Remedy thereof, 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, for the preſent Seaſon, it ſhall and may be lawful for any Ship or Veſſel which is not provided with the full Complement of Men purſuant to the Directions of the ſaid Acts, at the Port from which ſuch Ship or Veſſel ſhall be fitted and cleared out, to proceed from thence to any of the Ports in the *Forth of Clyde*, or in *Lough Ryan*, or to *Lerwick* in the *Iſle of Shetland*, or *Kirkwall* in the *Orkneys*, and complete the Number of Men there, provided the Number wanted doth not exceed Three Common Men for every Fifty Tons Burthen of ſuch Ship or Veſſel, but not otherwiſe; and upon the Return of ſuch Ship or Veſſel from the ſaid Fiſhery, ſuch Men may be landed and ſet on Shore

For the preſent Seaſon, Veſſels not provided with the full Complement of Men at the Port of Clearance, may proceed to certain Ports and complete them, if not beyond a certain Proportion.

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tion, who may be landed there on their Return.

at any of the Ports in the *Forth of Clyde*, or in *Lough Ryan*, or at *Lerwick*, or *Kirkwall* aforeſaid; and upon the Maſter or Owners of ſuch Ship or Veſſel producing to the proper Officer of the Cuſtoms at the Port of his Arrival in *Great Britain*, a Certificate under the Hand of the Collector and Comptroller of the Cuſtoms at any of the Ports aforeſaid, as the Caſe may be, (which Certificate they are hereby enjoined and required to give to the Maſter of ſuch Ship or Veſſel), certifying the Number and the Names of the Men ſo taken on board ſuch Ship or Veſſel at any of the ſaid Ports, and the Number and Names of the Men that were landed and ſet on Shore there reſpectively, upon the Return of ſuch Ship or Veſſel from the Fiſhery; and, upon the Maſter and Mate of ſuch Ship or Veſſel making Oath before the Collector and Comptroller at the Port of their Arrival in *Great Britain*, that the Men ſo taken on board as aforeſaid, proceeded from thence on the ſaid Fiſhery, and continued on board during the Time ſuch Ship or Veſſel was employed in that Buſineſs, the Maſter or Owners of ſuch Ship or Veſſel ſhall be entitled to the Bounty granted by the ſaid Acts, in the ſame Manner as they would have been entitled thereto in caſe the full Complement of Men had been taken on board at the Port from whence ſuch Ship or Veſſel was fitted and cleared out, and had returned on board ſuch Ship or Veſſel to ſuch Port in *Great Britain*; provided all the other Regulations and Reſtrictions required and directed by the ſaid Acts have been duly complied with and performed; any Thing in the ſaid Acts contained to the contrary nowithſtanding.

Maſter or Owner of ſuch Veſſel producing Certificates of the Men taken on board and landed, and the Maſter and Mate making Oath at the Port of Arrival that the Men proceeded on the Fiſhery, ſhall entitle the Veſſel to Bounty, provided the other Regulations have been complied with.

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