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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XCVII.

An Act to permit the free Interchange of every Species of Grain, between *Great Britain* and *Ireland*. [16th *July* 1806.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that the free Importation and Exportation of all Corn and Grain, Meal, Flour, Bread, or Biſcuit, reciprocally to and from *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, ſhould be allowed, and that all Reſtraints, Duties, and Bounties relating thereto ſhould ceaſe; 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, all Bounties and Duties payable on the Exportation and Importation of Corn, Grain, Malt, Meal, Flour, or Biſcuit reſpectively from *Great Britain* to *Ireland*, and from *Ireland* to *Great Britain*, ſhall ceaſe and be no longer payable; and that it ſhall be lawful for any Perſon to carry and export out of and from any Port or Place in *Great Britain* to any Port or Place in *Ireland*, and out of and from any Port or Place in *Ireland* to any Port or Place in *Great Britain*, and to import into any Port or Place in *Great Britain* from any Port or Place in *Ireland*, and into any Port or Place in *Ireland* from any Port or Place in *Great Britain*, without Payment of any Duty whatſoever on that Importation, in any *Britiſh* or *Iriſh* Ship or Veſſel owned and navigated according to Law, any Sort of Corn or Grain, Meal, Flour, Bread, or Biſcuit, whatever the average Price of Corn or Grain may be in either Country at the Time of ſuch Exportation or Importation, any Thing in any Act or Acts of Parliament now in force in *Great Britain* or *Ireland* to the contrary thereof notwithſtanding.

Bounties and Duties payable on Exportation and Importation of Corn, &c. from and to Great Britain and Ireland, ſhall ceaſe.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That every Perſon exporting Corn, Grain, Meal, Flour, Bread, or Biſcuit, from *Great Britain* to

Exporter to declare before the Chief Officer of the Cuſ-

toms that the Corn, &c. is intended to be exported.

to *Ireland*, or from *Ireland* to *Great Britain*, shall declare before the Collector, Comptroller, or other chief Officer of the Customs at the Port from whence the Exportation is about to take place, that such Corn, Grain, Meal, Flour, Bread, or Biscuit, is really and truly intended to be exported to *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, as the Case may be, and such Exporter shall thereupon receive a like Cocket, Certificate, Letpass, or Transire, as is given and conformable to all the like Regulations in force, in case of Goods sent Coastways from one Port of *Great Britain* to another Port therein, or from one Port in *Ireland* to another Port in *Ireland* respectively.

No Fee shall be taken by any Officer of the Customs.

III. And be it further enacted, That no Fee, Perquisite, Gratuity, or Reward whatsoever, shall be required, taken, or received by any Officer of the Customs, or any Clerk or other Person employed by him, for or on account of such Importation or Exportation, or for any Thing done or to be done by him for or on Account thereof, or in any way relating thereto; and if any such Officer, Clerk, or other Person shall require, take, or receive, either directly or indirectly, any Fee, Perquisite, Gratuity, or Reward, on account of such Importation or Exportation, or for any Thing done or to be done by him relating thereto, every such Officer, Clerk, or other Person so offending, shall, on Proof thereof to the Satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs in *England* or *Scotland*, or the Commissioners of Customs and Port Duties in *Ireland* respectively, as the Case may be, be peremptorily dismissed from his Office or Employment, and be incapable of ever again holding, executing, or acting in any Office or Employment in the Service of His Majesty's Customs or Excise, or of any Revenue belonging to His Majesty, in any Part of the United Kingdom.

43 G. 3. c. 105.

IV. And whereas, by an Act passed in the Forty-third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act to permit the Exportation for Two Years, of a certain Quantity of Corn, Grain, Meal, Flour, Bread, Biscuit, or Pulse, to the Islands of* Guernsey, Jersey, *and* Alderney, *from other Ports in* England *as well as the Port of* Southampton, *under certain Restrictions*, it was provided that Nine thousand eight hundred Quarters of Grain, Meal, or Bread might be exported during the Period of Two Years after the passing of the said Act, from any Port in *England*, to the Islands of *Guernsey*, *Jersey*, and *Alderney*, as well as from the Port of *Southampton*, which Act was made perpetual by another Act passed in the Forty-fifth Year of His said Majesty; in which recited Acts the Articles allowed to be exported were confined to Wheat, Wheat Meal, or Flour, Rye, Barley, or Bread, Biscuit or Pease, which said Quantity it was intended might be exported annually: And whereas it is expedient that Malt and Oatmeal should be included therein; be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the Whole or any Part of such Quantity of Nine thousand eight hundred Quarters of Wheat, Wheat Meal or Flour, Rye, Barley, Malt, or Bread, Biscuit, Beans, Pease, and Oats, or Oatmeal, to be exported annually from the Port of *Southampton*, or from any other Port or Ports in *England* or *Ireland*, to the Islands of *Guernsey*, *Jersey*, and *Alderney*, under the Provisions of the said Act.

A certain Quantity of Malt and Oatmeal as well as Wheat, &c. may be exported annually to Guernsey, &c.

Supply of Corn, &c for Ships Stores, may be exported from

V. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this or any Act or Acts now in force in any Part of the United Kingdom shall extend to prohibit

at any Time the Exportation or carrying out of *Ireland* ſo much Corn, Grain, Meal, Malt, Flour, Bread, or Biſcuit, as ſhall be neceſſary to be carried out in any Ship or other Veſſel from any Port in *Ireland*, on its Voyage out and home, for the Suſtenance, Diet, and Support of the Commander, Maſter, Mariners, Paſſengers, or others, or for the Uſe and Suſtenance of the Cattle, Live Stock, or other Animals aboard ſuch Ship or Veſſel; or for victualling or providing any of His Majeſty's Forces, Forts, or Garriſons; or to prohibit at any Time the Exportation of Beans from thence to the *Britiſh* Forts, Caſtles, or Factories in *Africa*, or for the Uſe of *Britiſh* Ships trading upon that Coaſt, which have been uſually ſupplied with the ſame from *Great Britain*; or to prohibit the like Quantities of the ſeveral Sorts of Corn and other Articles as are mentioned in the Table marked (C.) contained in an Act made in *Great Britain* in the Thirty-firſt Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for regulating the Importation and Exportation of Corn, and the Payment of the Duty on Foreign Corn imported, and of the Bounty on* Britiſh *Corn exported*; and alſo in an Act made in the Thirty-third Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, to amend the ſaid Act, to be exported from *Ireland* to the Places in the ſaid Table and in the ſaid laſt recited Act mentioned reſpectively, ſo as the whole Quantities to be exported from *Ireland* to ſuch Places, within Twelve Calendar Months from every Fifteenth Day of *February*, do not exceed the Quantities reſpectively limited therein.

Ireland, or for providing for His Majeſty's Forces or Garriſons; or Beans for the Britiſh Forts in Africa.

The like Quantities of Corn, &c. mentioned in Table (C.) of the Act 31 G. 3. c. 30. and in 33 G. 3. c. 65. may be exported from Ireland.

VI. Provided always, That if at the Time of any ſuch Exportation, the Price of ſuch Corn, Grain, Malt, Meal, or Flour, aſcertained according to Law, ſhall be above the Price at which the Export thereof is allowed, except as aforeſaid, the Exporter thereof to any of the Places mentioned in the ſaid Table (C.) or the laſt recited Act, or for His Majeſty's Forces, Forts, or Garriſons, or for the Uſe of *Britiſh* Ships trading on the Coaſt of *Africa*, or Beans for the *Britiſh* Forts, Caſtles, or Factories in *Africa*, ſhall before the Shipping thereof declare the Iſland or Place for which the ſaid Articles are reſpectively intended to be exported; and he, together with the Maſter, or Perſon having the Charge of the Ship or Veſſel, ſhall become bound to His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, in a Bond with One other ſufficient Security to be approved of by the Chief Officer of Cuſtoms at the Port, in Treble the Value thereof, with Condition that the Articles ſo exported ſhall be landed at the reſpective Iſlands or Places for which the ſame ſhall be ſo declared and entered for Exportation, and ſhall not be landed elſewhere, the Danger of the Seas only excepted; and ſuch Bond ſhall be vacated and diſcharged upon producing ſuch Certificate as is required in caſe of the Exportation of any ſuch Articles on Bounty, or on Proof made to the Satisfaction of the Commiſſioners of Cuſtoms and Port Duties in *Ireland*, that ſuch Articles were taken by Enemies or periſhed on the Seas: Provided always, that in caſe ſuch Articles ſhall be ſo exported for the Uſe of His Majeſty's Forts or Garriſons, there ſhall be a Certificate from the Commiſſary of the Forces, or Perſon receiving the ſame for the Uſe of His Majeſty, teſtifying the Quantity ſo received.

In caſe the Price of Corn, &c. ſhall be above the Price at which the Export is allowed, the Exporter to any Place mentioned in Table (C.) &c. ſhall declare the Place for which the ſame are to be exported, &c.

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