ANNO QUADRAGESIMO OCTAVO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

C A P. LXX.

An Act to provide that *Britiſh* Ships which ſhall be captured by the Enemy, and ſhall afterwards become the Property of *Britiſh* Subjects, ſhall not be entitled to the Privilege of *Britiſh* Ships. [18th *June* 1808.]

WHEREAS the allowing *Britiſh*-built Ships or Veſſels which have been made Prize by the Enemy, and afterwards by Purchaſe become the Property of *Britiſh* Subjects, to be regiſtered again as *Britiſh* Ships, renders ſuch Captures more advantageous to the Enemy; 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 from and after the Firſt Day of *October* One thouſand eight hundred and eight, no *Britiſh*-built Ship or Veſſel which has been captured by the Enemy, and which ſhall not have been regiſtered *de novo* before the Firſt Day of *October* One thouſand eight hundred and eight, nor any *Britiſh*-built Ship or Veſſel which ſhall hereafter be captured by the Enemy, ſhall be regiſtered as a *Britiſh*-built Ship, or ſhall enjoy any of the Privileges and Advantages

From Oct. 1, 1808, no Britiſh-built Veſſel captured by the Enemy ſhall afterwards be regiſtered as a Britiſh Veſſel.

belonging to a *Britiſh*-built Ship; but every ſuch Ship or Veſſel, although owned by a *Britiſh* Subject or Subjects, ſhall be deemed and taken, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as a Foreign-built Ship or Veſſel; any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

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