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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. CXXVII.

An Act for making more effectual Provision for preventing the current Gold Coin of the Realm from being paid or accepted for a greater Value than the current Value of such Coin; for preventing any Note or Bill of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* from being received for any smaller Sum than the Sum therein specified; and for staying Proceedings upon any Distress by Tender of such Notes. [24th *July* 1811.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to enact as is hereinafter provided: 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 passing of this Act, no Person shall receive or pay for any Gold Coin lawfully current within the Realm, any more in Value, Benefit, Profit, or Advantage, than the true lawful Value of such Coin, whether such Value, Benefit, Profit, or Advantage be paid, made, or taken in lawful Money, or in any Note or Notes, Bill or Bills of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, or in any Silver Token or Tokens issued by the said Governor and Company, or by any or all of the said Means wholly or partly, or by any other Means, Device, Shift, or Contrivance whatsoever; and every Person who shall offend herein shall be deemed and adjudged guilty of a Misdemeanor.

Current Gold Coin shall not be received or paid for more than the true Value.

II. And be it further enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person shall by any Means, Device, Shift, or Contrivance whatsoever, receive or pay any Note or Notes, Bill or Bills of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, for less than the Amount of lawful Money expressed therein,

Nor shall Notes of the Bank of England be received or paid for less than

the Amount expreſſed therein.

therein, and to be thereby made payable, except only lawful Diſcount on ſuch Note or Bill as ſhall not be expreſſed to be payable on Demand; and every Perſon who ſhall offend herein ſhall be deemed and adjudged guilty of a Miſdemeanor.

Proceedings by Diſtreſs, &c. to be ſtayed in caſe Payment is tendered in Notes of the Bank of England, &c.

III. And be it enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That in caſe any Perſon ſhall proceed by Diſtreſs or Pounding to recover from any Tenant or other Perſon liable to ſuch Diſtreſs or Pounding, any Rent or Sum of Money due from ſuch Tenant or other Perſon, it ſhall be lawful for ſuch Tenant or other Perſon, in every ſuch Caſe to tender Notes of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, expreſſed to be payable on Demand, to the Amount of ſuch Rent or Sum ſo due, either alone or together with a ſufficient Sum of lawful Money, to the Perſon on whoſe Behalf ſuch Diſtreſs or Pounding is made, or to the Officer or Perſon making ſuch Diſtreſs or Pounding on his Behalf; and in caſe ſuch Tender ſhall be accepted, or in caſe ſuch Tender ſhall be made and refuſed, the Goods taken in ſuch Diſtreſs or Pounding ſhall be forthwith returned to the Party diſtrained upon, or againſt whom ſuch Pounding ſhall have been uſed, unleſs the Party diſtraining or pounding and refuſing to accept ſuch Tender ſhall inſiſt that a greater Sum is due than the Sum ſo tendered, and in ſuch Caſe the Parties ſhall proceed as uſual in ſuch Caſes; but if it ſhall appear that no more was due than the Sum ſo tendered, then the Party who tendered ſuch Sum ſhall be entitled to the Coſts of all ſubſequent Proceedings: Provided always, that the Perſon to whom ſuch Rent or Sum of Money is due ſhall have and be intitled to all ſuch other Remedies for the Recovery thereof, excluſive of Diſtreſs or Pounding, as ſuch Perſon had or was entitled to at the Time of making ſuch Diſtreſs or Pounding, if ſuch Perſon ſhall not think proper to accept ſuch Tender ſo made as aforeſaid; Provided alſo, that nothing herein contained ſhall affect the Right of any Tenant, or other ſuch Perſon as aforeſaid having Right to replevy or recover the Goods ſo taken in Diſtreſs or Pounding, in caſe, without making ſuch Tender as aforeſaid, he ſhall ſo think fit.

Offences in Scotland how to be puniſhed.

IV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That every Perſon who ſhall commit in *Scotland* any Offence againſt this Act, which by the Proviſions thereof is conſtituted a Miſdemeanor, ſhall be liable to be puniſhed by Fine and Impriſonment, or by one or the other of the ſaid Puniſhments as the Judge or Judges before whom ſuch Offender ſhall be tried and convicted may direct.

Not to extend to Ireland.

V. Provided always, That nothing in this Act contained ſhall extend to *Ireland*.

Continuance of Act.

VI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall continue and be in force to and until the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thouſand eight hundred and twelve, and no longer.

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