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CAP. XXXIII.

An Act for repealing so much of Two Acts of the Fourteenth and Twenty-fifth Years of His present Majesty as relates to weaving Blue Stripes in *British* Calicoes. [25th *May* 1811.]

WHEREAS by an Act made in the Fourteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled, *An Act for ascertaining the Duty on printed, painted, stained, or dyed Stuffs, wholly made of Cotton and manufactured in* Great Britain, *and for allowing the Use and Wear thereof under certain Regulations;* it was enacted, that in each Piece of the said new manufactured Stuffs in the said Act mentioned, wholly made of Cotton Wool spun in *Great Britain*, there should be wove in the Warp in both Selvages through the whole Length thereof, Three Blue Stripes, each Stripe of One Thread only, in Manner in the said Act particularly mentioned: And whereas it is also by the said recited Act among other Things enacted, that if any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Corporate, should expose or cause to be exposed to sale, or have in his, her, or their Custody or Possession in *Great Britain*, any Stuffs wholly made of Cotton, and printed, painted, stained, or dyed (Muslins, Fustians, and Neckcloths excepted) wherein shall not be woven in the Warp in both Selvages, only through the whole Length of each Piece, Three Blue Stripes (unless for Exportation) then such Person 14 G. 3. c. 72.

Perſon or Perſons, Body or Bodies Corporate ſo offending ſhould not only forfeit all and every ſuch laſt mentioned Stuffs ſo expoſed or cauſed to be expoſed to Sale, or which ſhould be in his, her, or their Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion, but ſhould alſo forfeit for every Piece thereof the Sum of Fifty Pounds: And whereas by the ſaid Act it is alſo enacted, that if any Perſon or Perſons, Body or Bodies Corporate, ſhould import or bring into *Great Britain*, or into any Port, Harbour, Haven, or Creek thereof, any Calicoes or Muſlins, or any other Goods or Stuffs whatſoever made of Linen Yarn only, or of Linen Yarn and Cotton Wool mixed, or made wholly of Cotton Wool, wherein ſhould be wove in the Warp, in either or both Selvages only, through the Whole or any Part of the Length of each Piece One or more Blue Stripe or Stripes of One or more Thread or Threads, ſuch Perſon or Perſons, Body or Bodies Corporate, ſhould not only forfeit and loſe all and every ſuch Calicoes, Muſlins, Goods, or Stuffs which ſhould be ſo imported or brought, but ſhould alſo forfeit the Sum of Ten Pounds for each Piece thereof: And whereas by another Act, made in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for repealing the Duties on Linens, to be printed, painted, ſtained, or dyed in* Great Britain, *impoſed by an Act made in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, and for granting other Duties in lieu thereof; and on Cotton Stuffs, Muſlins, Fuſtians, Velvets, and Velverets wove in* Great Britain, *to be printed, ſtained, painted, or dyed, and upon the Importation of Linens, Cotton Stuffs, Muſlins, Fuſtians, Velvets, and Velverets painted, ſtained, printed, or dyed in Foreign Parts;* it was enacted, that all Stuffs wholly made of Cotton Wool, commonly called or known by the Name of Calicoes, that had not Three Blue Threads in each Selvage as directed by the ſaid Act made in the Fourteenth Year of the Reign aforeſaid, ſhould be deemed to be Foreign Calicoes, and on their being printed, ſtained, painted, or dyed in *Great Britain*, ſhould be ſtamped, marked, or ſealed at both Ends of each Piece or Remnant with a Stamp, Mark, or Seal, containing the following Words, *videlicet*, "Foreign Calicoes for Exportation;" and every Draper, Trader, or Dealer for Sale, having in his, her, or their Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion ſuch Foreign Calicoes, printed, ſtained, painted, or dyed, (except dyed throughout of one Colour only) and not being ſtamped or ſealed at both Ends, as directed by the ſaid Act of the Twenty-fifth Year of His preſent Majeſty, (except as therein excepted), or having in his, her, or their Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion any Piece of Stuffs wholly made of Cotton Wool, wove in *Great Britain*, commonly called *Britiſh* Manufactory, (Muſlins, Neckcloths, and Fuſtians excepted) not having the Three Blue Threads in the Selvages, as required by the ſaid Act of the Fourteenth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, ſhould not only forfeit and loſe the ſaid Goods or the Value thereof, but ſhould likewiſe forfeit and loſe the Sum of Two hundred Pounds for every Piece of ſuch Goods found in his Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion as aforeſaid; And whereas it is impoſſible to fix the Colour of any ſuch Blue Stripes or Threads ſo permanently that by the Proceſs of bleaching now in uſe ſuch Colour will not be in Danger of being diſcharged, and from the preſent improved State of Manufacture in this Kingdom there is no longer any Danger of Foreign Calicoes being imported and impoſed on the Officers of Exciſe as or for ſuch new manufactured Stuffs, ſo as to eſcape the Charge of the High Duty of Exciſe by Law impoſed for or in reſpect of Foreign Calicoes printed, ſtained, painted, or dyed in *Great Britain*,

25 G. 3. c. 72.

and it is therefore expedient to repeal the ſaid recited Proviſions, Penalties, and Forfeitures; 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 the ſaid recited Proviſions, Penalties, and Forfeitures, ſhall be and the ſame reſpectively are hereby repealed.

So much of recited Acts as relates to weaving Blue Stripes in Britiſh Calicoes ſhall be repealed.

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