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C A P. CXXXVI.

An Act to enable the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* to regulate the Price of Coals to be bought for the Benefit of the Poor of the City of *Dublin*.

[18th *July* 1812.]

Irish Act, 1 G. 3.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Parliament of *Ireland*, in the First Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act to prevent the excessive Price of Coals in the City of* Dublin, it was amongst other Things enacted that One or more Yard or Yards should be taken at the Expence of the Public, for the Purpose of laying in a sufficient Quantity of Coals for supplying the Journeymen, Tradesmen, and Manufacturers, and the Poor of the City of *Dublin*, with Coals, in the Manner and subject to the Regulations and Provisions therein-after mentioned; and that the said Coals should be bought in at the public Expence, when Coals should be under Sixteen Shillings the Ton: And whereas the Price of Coals in the City of *Dublin* has not for several Years last past been so low as Sixteen Shillings by the Ton; 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, it shall and may be lawful for the Director or Superintendant of such Coal Yard from Time to Time, and at all Times, to buy Coals for the Supply of every or any such Coal Yards, in Manner in the said Act mentioned, at any Price or Prices that shall be approved of by the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland* for the Time being; such Approbation to be signified

Director of Coal Yards to buy Coals at such Prices as shall be approved of by the Lord Lieutenant.

in Writing to such Director or Superintendant, previous to every such Purchase, by the Chief Secretary, or in his Absence by the Under Secretary for the Civil Department, and that such Coals shall and may be afterwards sold in Manner and under and subject to the Regulations in the said Act mentioned.

Commissioners of Imprest Accounts to allow the Prices charged for Coals if Purchases be fairly made.

II. And whereas since the Encrease in the Price of Coals many large Quantities of Coals have from Time to Time been purchased for the Use of such Coal Yards, at Prices exceeding the Rate fixed by Law as aforesaid, and where such Purchases were fairly made it is reasonable that the Parties concerned should not suffer thereby; be it therefore enacted, That whenever the Commissioners of Imprest Accounts in *Ireland* shall be of Opinion that any such Purchase hath been fairly and *bonâ fide* made for the public Benefit, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners, and they are hereby required to allow the same in Account, and to admit the Price paid for such Coals as just and fair Discharges for and on Behalf of the Director or Superintendant of such Coal Yards, or of any other Person or Persons who so paid the same respectively.

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