

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO SEPTIMO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

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CAP. CIX.

An Act to abolish the Subsidy and Alnage of the Old and New Draperies, and of all Woollen Manufactures, in *Ireland*; and to authorize the Payment out of the Consolidated Fund of an Annual Sum to *John* Lord de *Blaquiere*, during the Continuance of his Interest in the Office of Alnager.

[11th *July* 1817.]

WHEREAS it is expedient, for the Encouragement of the Woollen Manufactures in *Ireland*, that the Subsidy and Alnage of Old and New Draperies, and of all other Woollen Manufactures made in *Ireland*, should be abolished, and that all Regulations relating to the same and to the said Manufactures should be repealed: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the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 immediately after the passing of this Act, the Subsidy and Alnage of the Old and New Draperies, and of all Woollen Manufactures whatever made within *Ireland*, shall cease, determine, and be no longer due or payable; any Thing in an Act made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Years of His late Majesty King *Charles* the Second, intituled *An Act for the true making of all Sorts of Cloth, called the Old Drapery and New Drapery, and the true searching and sealing thereof by His Majesty's Alnager*

The Subsidy and Alnage of the Old and New Draperies and Woollen Manufactures shall cease. Irish Act, 17&18 Car. 2.

Alnager within this Kingdom, or any other Law, Statute, Uſage, Preſcription, or Cuſtom whatſoever, to the contrary in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

Iriſh Acts, 17&18 Car. 2. 19&20 Car. 2. 21&22 Car. 2. and 40 G. 3. reſpecting Old and New Drapery, repealed.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and immediately after the paſſing of this Act, the ſaid recited Act of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Years of the Reign of His late Majeſty King *Charles* the Second, and alſo an Act made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled *An Act for the better Regulation of the Woollen Manufacture of this Kingdom;* and alſo an Act made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Twenty-firſt and Twenty-ſecond Years of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, for repealing ſo much of the ſaid recited Acts of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, and of the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, as relates to the New Drapery, Cottons, and Stockings; and alſo an Act made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Fortieth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled *An Act for amending and rendering more effectual ſeveral Acts heretofore paſſed in this Kingdom, for the true making of Woollen Cloth called and known by the Name of Old Drapery*, and all Clauſes, Powers, Proviſions, and Regulations in the ſaid Acts or any of them contained, ſhall be and the ſame are hereby repealed.

Annuity of 500l. granted to Lord de Blaquiere as a Compenſation for the Loſs of his Office of Alnager, to be paid Quarterly out of the Conſolidated Fund of Ireland during the Remainder of his Intereſt in the Patent.

III. And whereas the Right Honourable *John* Baron de *Blaquiere* is, under and by virtue of certain Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Ireland*, bearing Date the Eleventh Day of *July* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-ſeven, entitled to hold the Office of Alnager in *Ireland*, to him, his Heirs, Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns for the Remainder of a certain Term of Forty-eight Years, in the ſaid Patent ſpecified and yet to come and unexpired; and all the Fees, Profits, and Emoluments of the ſaid Office will immediately after the paſſing of this Act be entirely put an End to; and it is fitting that ſome Compenſation ſhould be made for the Loſs of ſuch Fees, Profits, and Emoluments; be it therefore enacted, That One Annuity or Yearly Rent or Sum of Five hundred Pounds *Britiſh* Currency ſhall be iſſuing and payable out of and charged upon the Conſolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* (after paying or reſerving ſufficient to pay all ſuch Sum and Sums of Money as have been directed by any former Act or Acts of Parliament to be paid out of the ſame, but with Preference to all other Payments which ſhall or may hereafter be charged upon or payable out of the ſaid Fund); and the ſame ſhall from Time to Time be paid Quarterly, free and clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatſoever, in Manner and Form following; that is to ſay, to the ſaid *John* Baron de *Blaquiere*, his Heirs, Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns, for and during ſo much and ſuch Part of the ſaid Term of Forty-eight Years as is yet to come and unexpired, which ſaid Annuity or Yearly Rent or Sum ſhall commence and take Effect from the Fifth Day of *July* One thouſand eight hundred and ſeventeen, the Firſt Payment to be computed from the ſaid Fifth Day of *July* One thouſand eight hundred and ſeventeen until the Tenth Day of *October* One thouſand eight hundred and ſeventeen, and from thenceforth ſhall be paid and payable on the Four uſual Days of Payment in the Year, that is to ſay, the Fifth Day of *January*, the Fifth Day of *April*, the Fifth Day of *July*, and the Tenth Day of *October*, in each and every Year, by even and equal Portions; and the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland* is and are hereby authorized,

empowered, and required to iſſue and pay the ſaid Annuity, or to cauſe the ſame to be iſſued and paid from Time to Time out of the growing Produce of the ſaid Conſolidated Fund ariſing in *Ireland*, by Four Quarterly Payments in Manner aforeſaid.

Acquittances of Lord de Blaquiere, &c. ſufficient Diſcharges.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Annuity or Yearly Rent or Sum ſhall be conſidered as the Emoluments and Profits of the ſaid Office of Alnager during the ſaid Term of Years yet to come and unexpired; and that the Acquittance or Acquittances, Receipt or Receipts of the ſaid *John* Baron de *Blaquiere*, his Heirs, Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns, reſpectively, ſhall according to their ſeveral and reſpective Intereſts be good and ſufficient Diſcharge and Diſcharges for the Payment of the ſaid Annuity or Yearly Rent or Sum of Five hundred Pounds in Manner aforeſaid, without any other Warrant to be ſued for or obtained in that Behalf; and that the ſaid Annuity or Yearly Rent or Sum and every Part thereof, ſhall be paid free and clear from all Taxes, Charges, and Impoſitions whatſoever.

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