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C A P. XXIII.

An Act to impose Duties on the Importation of Silk and Silk Goods, and to allow Drawbacks on the Exportation thereof. [22d *May* 1829.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that the Duties now payable upon the Importation of Silk and Silk Goods shall cease and determine, and that other Duties shall be imposed in lieu thereof; 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 Fifth Day of *July* next all Duties payable upon the Importation of Silk and Silk Goods under any Act or Acts now in force shall be repealed, and that from and after the said Fifth Day of *July* the several Duties of Customs set forth in Figures in the Table hereunto annexed, marked (A.), shall be raised, levied, collected, and paid unto His Majesty, in like Manner as if such Duties had been imposed in and by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for granting Duties of Customs*, and had been set forth in a Table thereunto annexed.

After 5 July the Duties payable upon Importation of Silk shall be repealed, and those set forth in Table (A.) levied.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful to import into the United Kingdom any Manufactures of Silk in any Ship or Vessel which is not of the Burthen of Seventy Tons or upwards, except as herein-after provided; nor to import any such Manufactures, being the Manufactures of *Europe*, into any Port, except into the Port of *London* or into the Port of *Dublin* direct from *Bourdeaux*, or into the Port of *Dovor* direct from *Calais*; and that this Restriction shall be complied with and enforced in like Manner as if the same were set forth in a Table, denominated "A Table of Prohibitions and Restrictions Inwards," contained in an Act passed in the Sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for the general Regulation of the Customs.*

Restrictions as to the Importation of Manufactures of Silk.

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III. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of the Customs from Time to Time, and upon such Security as they shall see fit to require, to grant their Licence for

Commissioners of Customs may grant Li-

cences for certain Vessels belonging to Dovor.

for any Vessel belonging to the Port of *Dovor* to import such Manufactures into that Port direct from the Port of *Calais*, although such Vessel may not be of greater Burthen than of Sixty Tons.

In Entries of Silk Goods subject to Duty, both Weight and Value shall be stated.

IV. And be it further enacted, That in the Entry of all Silk Goods which are subject to Duty according to the Weight or to the Value thereof, at the Option of the Officers of the Customs, the Weight and the Value of such Goods shall be both stated, and such Value shall be affirmed in like Manner as the Value of any Goods charged to pay Duty according to the Value thereof is affirmed under the Provisions of the said last-mentioned Act for the Regulation of the Customs; and that it shall be lawful for the Officers of the Customs to detain any such Goods, and to take the same for the Use of the Crown, in like Manner and upon the same Terms as such Officers may under the Provisions of the said Act detain and take any Goods entered for Payment of Duty according to the Value thereof as aforesaid.

Drawbacks upon Exportation.

V. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, upon the Exportation of Silk Goods, the Drawbacks of the Duties payable on the Importation of Thrown Silks, set forth in Figures in the Table hereunto annexed, shall be allowed.

To whom only Drawbacks shall be allowed.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the Drawbacks granted by this Act shall be allowed only in respect of Exportations to be made by the Persons in whose Names the Amount of Duties to be drawn back had been paid, or to be made by any Holder of any written Order signed by any such Persons, transferring the Right of making such Exportations and of receiving such Drawbacks thereupon.

Drawbacks to be allowed whether the Duties have been received under this or any former Act, if Silks are shipped within Two Years.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the said Drawback shall be allowed, although the manufactured Silks in respect of which the same shall be claimed shall not have been made of the Thrown Silk in respect of which the Amount of Duties to be drawn back had been paid, and whether such Amount of Duties shall have been received under the Authority of this Act or of any former Act: Provided always, that the said Drawback shall not be allowed unless such manufactured Silks be shipped for Exportation within Two Years after the Payment of such Duties.

Upon the Seizure of Goods, the whole Value to be paid to the Officer,

VIII. And whereas it is expedient that greater Rewards than heretofore should be granted to Officers upon the Seizure of Foreign Silk Goods; be it enacted, That upon the Seizure and Condemnation of any such Goods, for the Breach of any Law now made or hereafter to be made, relating to the Revenue of Customs, or for the Prevention of Smuggling, there shall be paid to the Officer seizing the same, in lieu of the Rewards granted by any former Act, the whole Value of such Goods, exclusive of the Duty thereon: Provided always, that such Goods shall be sold for Exportation only.

and One Moiety of Penalties.

IX. And be it further enacted, That where any Penalty shall have been recovered from any Person in respect of any such Goods, there shall be paid to the Officer by whose Means such Penalty is recovered One Moiety of the Penalty or Sum recovered.

Act may be altered.

X. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be amended, altered, or repealed by any Act to be passed in the present Session of Parliament.

TABLE

TABLE (A.) to which this Act refers.

DUTIES.

	£	s.	d.
Silk; *viz.*			
—— Knubs or Husks of Silk and Waste Silk - the cwt.	0	1	0
—— Raw Silk - - - - the lb.	0	0	1
—— Thrown Silk, not dyed; *viz.*			
Singles - - - - the lb.	0	1	6
Tram - - - - the lb.	0	2	0
Organzine and Crape Silk - - the lb.	0	3	6
—— Thrown Silk, dyed; *viz.*			
Singles or Tram - - - - the lb.	0	3	0
Organzine or Crape Silk - - the lb.	0	5	2
—— Manufactures of Silk, or of Silk mixed with any other Material, the Produce of Europe; *viz.*			
Silk or Satin, Plain - - - the lb.	0	11	0
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	25	0	0
Silk or Satin, Figured or Brocaded - the lb.	0	15	0
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
Gauze, Plain - - - - the lb.	0	17	0
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
Gauze, Striped, Figured, or Brocaded - the lb.	1	7	6
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
Crape, Plain - - - - the lb.	0	16	0
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
Crape, Figured - - - the lb.	0	18	0
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
Velvet, Plain - - - the lb.	1	2	0
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
Velvet, Figured - - - the lb.	1	7	6
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
Ribbons, Embossed or Figured with Velvet, the lb.	0	17	0
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
- - - and further, if mixed with Gold, Silver, or other Metal, in addition to the above Rates, when the Duty is not charged according to the Value - the lb.	0	10	0
Fancy Silk Net or Tricot - - the lb.	1	4	0
Plain Silk Lace or Net, called Tulle, the square yard	0	1	4

	£	s.	d.
Silk; *viz.*			
—— Manufactures of Silk, or of Silk mixed with any other Material, the Produce of and imported from British Possessions within the Limits of the East India Company's Charter - for every £100 of the Value	20	0	0
—— Millinery of Silk, or of which the greater Part of the Materials is of Silk; *viz.*			
Turbans or Caps - - - each	0	15	0
Hats or Bonnets - - - - each	1	5	0
Dresses - - - - each	2	10	0
- - - or, and at the Option of the Officers of the Customs - for every £100 of the Value	40	0	0
—— Manufactures of Silk, or of Silk and any other Material, not particularly enumerated or otherwise charged with Duty - - for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0
—— Articles of Manufacture of Silk, or of Silk and any other Material, wholly or in part made up, not particularly enumerated or otherwise charged with Duty, for every £100 of the Value	30	0	0

TABLE (B.) to which this Act refers.

DRAWBACKS on the EXPORTATION of SILK GOODS manufactured in the United Kingdom.

	£	s.	d.
For every lb. of Stuffs or Ribbons of Silk, composed of Silk only, and being of the Value of Fourteen Shillings at least	0	3	6
For every lb. of Stuffs or Ribbons of Silk and Cotton mixed, whereof One Half at least shall be Silk, and being of the Value of Four Shillings and Eight-pence at least - -	0	1	2
For every lb. of Stuffs or Ribbons of Silk and Worsted mixed, whereof One Half at least shall be Silk, and being of the Value of Two Shillings and Four-pence at least - -	0	0	7

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