

ANNO QUINTO

GEORGII IV. REGIS.

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CAP. LXVI.

An Act to repeal certain Acts of His late Majesty, relating to the Wages of Persons employed in the Manufacture of Silk, and of Silk mixed with other Materials. [17th *June* 1824.]

WHEREAS by an Act made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to empower the Magistrates therein mentioned to settle and regulate the Wages of Persons employed in the Silk Manufacture within their respective Jurisdictions*, it was enacted, that the Wages and Prices for Work of the Journeymen Weavers within the City of *London*, should be settled, regulated, and declared by the Lord Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen of the said City, and in all Places in the County of *Middlesex* by the Justices of the Peace of the said County, and in all Places within the City and Liberty of *Westminster* at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace holden in and for the said City and Liberty, and in all Places within the Liberty of the Tower of *London*, at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace holden in and for the said Liberty, at their General Quarter Sessions of the Peace respectively; and certain Penalties are by the said Act inflicted on all Master Weavers within any of the said Districts who should give more or less Wages, or pay larger or less Prices, to any of the said Journeymen Weavers for their Work, than should be settled or allowed as aforesaid, and also upon all Journeymen Weavers within the Districts aforesaid who should ask, receive, or take more or less Wages, or larger or less Prices for their Work, than should be settled by the respective Quarter Sessions as aforesaid; and by the

13 G. 3. c. 68.

the said Act certain other Penalties are also inflicted on all Master Weavers within any of the Districts aforesaid, who should directly or indirectly in any Manner retain or employ any Journeyman Weaver out of or beyond the Limits therein mentioned, with Intent to evade that Act, or who should give, allow, or pay to such Journeyman any more or less Wages than should be settled in Manner in the said Act provided; and by the said Acts certain other Penalties are also inflicted on any Person or Persons, being Silk Weavers residing within any of the Districts aforesaid, who should have in his or their Service at any one Time more than Two Apprentices: And whereas by an Act made in the Thirty-second Year of the
32 G. 3. c. 44. Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act for extending the Provisions of an Act made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to empower the Magistrates therein 'mentioned to settle and regulate the Wages of Persons employed in the 'Silk Manufacture within their respective Jurisdiction,' to Manufactories of Silk mixed with other Materials, and for the more effectual Punishment of Buyers and Receivers of Silk purloined and embezzled by Persons employed in the Manufacture thereof;* it is enacted and declared, that the Lord Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen of the City of *London*, and the Justices of the Peace within their respective Jurisdictions throughout the several and respective Districts in the said Act of the Thirteenth Year of His late Majesty mentioned, should from Time to Time settle, regulate, order, and declare the Wages and Prices of Work of the Journeymen Weavers working within their respective Jurisdictions in any Manufacture of Silk mixed or wrought up with any other Materials, in the like Manner as they are respectively authorized and empowered by the said recited Act of the Thirteenth Year of His late Majesty to settle, regulate, order, and declare the same in the Manufacture of Silk only; and that the said therein recited Act, and all and every the Clauses, Provisions, Regulations, Restrictions, Pains, Penalties, Forfeitures, and other Matters and Things therein contained, should extend, and be deemed, adjudged, and construed to extend, to all Persons employed in or about any of the Manufactures of Silk mixed or wrought up with any other Materials within the respective Districts in the said Act mentioned, in as full and ample Manner as they are by the said therein recited Act declared to extend to the several and respective Persons therein mentioned: And whereas by an Act passed in the Fifty-first Year of
51 G. 3. c. 7. the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend Two Acts, of the Thirteenth and Thirty-second Years of His present Majesty, relating to the Wages of Persons employed in the Silk Manufacture*, the Provisions made by the said recited Acts of the Thirteenth and Thirty-second Years of His late Majesty for settling and regulating the Wages and Prices of Work of the Journeymen Weavers in the Manufacture of Silk, and in the Manufacture of Silk mixed or wrought up with any other Materials, within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster* and the County of *Middlesex*, are declared to extend to Journeywomen Weavers employed in the said Manufactories: And whereas by an Act passed in the Parliament of *Ireland*, in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty,
19 & 20 G. 3. (I.) intituled *An Act for the better Regulation of the Silk Manufacture*, it is enacted, that the Wages of Journeymen Silk Weavers, within the City of *Dublin*, and the adjacent Liberties for the Distance of Two

Miles and a Half round from the Castle of *Dublin*, should be regulated, settled, and declared by the *Dublin* Society; and certain Penalties are by the said Act imposed on any Master Silk Weaver within the aforesaid District who shall give more or less Wages, or pay larger or smaller Prices, to any of the Journeymen Weavers aforesaid, for their Work, than shall be settled or allowed as aforesaid; and by the same Act certain Penalties are also imposed on any Journeyman Weaver or Weavers, within the District aforesaid, who should ask, receive, or take more or less Wages, or larger or smaller Prices for their Work, than should be settled as aforesaid, or who should enter into any Combination to raise the Wages or Prices of said Work, or for that Purpose should decoy, solicit, or intimidate any Journeyman or Journeymen Weavers within the District aforesaid; and it is by the same Act further enacted, that the *Dublin* Society should superintend the Silk Manufacture, and make such Orders, Bye Laws, and Regulations touching all Matters pertaining thereto, as should appear to them useful and necessary, and that all Persons concerned in the said Manufacture should obey all such Orders of the *Dublin* Society: And whereas an Act was passed in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Thirty-sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled *An Act to explain and amend an Act passed in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of His Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act for the better Regulation of the Silk Manufacture:'* And whereas an Act passed in the Fortieth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act to continue an Act passed in the Thirty-sixth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act to explain and amend an Act passed in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of His Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for the better Regulation of the Silk Manufacture;"* by which last mentioned Acts the said Act of the Nineteenth and Twentieth *George* Third was continued in force: And whereas an Act was passed in the Fiftieth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act to continue, until the Twenty-fifth Day of* March *One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, certain Acts made in the Parliament of* Ireland, *for the better Regulation of the Silk Manufacture:* And whereas the Provisions of the said recited Acts have not been found beneficial to the Persons employed in the Silk Manufacture, but on the contrary the Regulations and Restrictions contained in the said Acts have been found in their Operation vexatious and injurious, and it is therefore expedient that the said Acts should be wholly 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 after the passing of this Act, the said several recited Acts, and every Clause, Provision, Regulation, Restriction, Pain, Penalty, Forfeiture, Matter, and Thing therein respectively contained, shall be, and the same is and are hereby severally and respectively repealed.

36 G. 3. (I.)

40 G. 3. (I.)

50 G. 3. c. 27.

Recited Acts for settling the Wages and Prices for Work of the Persons employed in the Silk Manufacture, &c. repealed.

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