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CAP. XXXII.

An Act to explain and amend an Act passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to prevent the wilful and malicious Destruction of Dwelling Houses in* Ireland. [21st *June* 1827.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to prevent the wilful and malicious Destruction of Dwelling Houses in* Ireland, it is amongst other Things enacted, that all and every Person and Persons who, under Pretence of becoming *bonâ fide* Tenant or Tenants of any Dwelling House or other Building, or by Power under or Collusion with any Person or Persons having or claiming to have Title thereto, as Tenant or Tenants for the Term of any Life or Lives, with or without any Covenant for Renewal, or for Years, or other less Term, certain or at Will, shall obtain and get Possession of any Dwelling House or other Building for the fraudulent and malicious Purpose of pulling down or demolishing the same, or of doing other unlawful Waste or Destruction, or who, being possessed of any such Dwelling House or other Building, or Part of such Dwelling House or other Building, shall pull down or demolish or begin to pull down or demolish the same, or shall commit any other unlawful Waste or Destruction thereof or thereto, or shall pull down or sever from the Freehold any Fixture or Utensil being within or appurtenant to such Dwelling House or other Building, or such Part of such Dwelling House or other Buildings, 7 G. 4. c. 60.

or used or occupied therewith, or which in a due Course of Occupancy ought not to be so pulled down or severed from the Freehold, shall be deemed and are thereby declared to be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and shall be subject and liable, on Conviction thereof, to the like Pains and Penalties as in Cases of Misdemeanor: And whereas Doubts have arisen as to what Class of Offenders the said Enactment applies, other than those who shall obtain and get Possession of any Dwelling or other Building for the fraudulent and malicious Purposes of pulling down or demolishing the same, or of doing other unlawful Waste or Destruction: And whereas it is expedient that such Doubts should be removed, and that the said Enactment should be expressly extended to the Offenders herein-after mentioned and described: 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 all Persons who, being possessed in any Manner or Right whatever of any Dwelling House or other Building, or any Part of any Dwelling House or other Building, held under or by virtue of any Lease or Agreement, or for any Term of Years, or other less Term, certain or at Will, (whether the Possession of such Dwelling House or other Building, or Part of such Dwelling House or other Building, shall have been obtained for the fraudulent and malicious Purpose of pulling down or demolishing the same, or for any other Purpose whatever,) shall wilfully, fraudulently, or maliciously, and not for the Purposes of any intended Improvements or beneficial Alteration therein, pull down or demolish, or begin to pull down or demolish the same, or commit any other unlawful Waste or Destruction thereof or thereto, or pull down or sever from the Freehold any Fixture or Utensil being within or appurtenant to such Dwelling House or other Building, or used or occupied therewith, or which in a due Course of Occupancy ought not to be so pulled down or severed from the Freehold, and also all Persons who shall wilfully and knowingly aid, abet, or assist in the same, or who shall wilfully and knowingly purchase or contract to purchase the Materials or any Part of the Materials of which such Dwelling House or other Building or any Part of such Dwelling House or other Building was constructed, or any Fixture or Utensil being within or appurtenant to any such Dwelling House or other Building, or Part of such Dwelling House or other Building, or used and occupied therewith, and which in due Course of Occupancy ought not to be pulled down and severed from the Freehold, shall be deemed and are hereby declared to be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and shall be subject and liable, on Conviction thereof, to the like Pains and Penalties as in Cases of Misdemeanor.

Description of Persons declared to be Offenders against the recited Act.

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