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An Act to prohibit the Importation of Sheep, Cattle, or other Animals, for the Purpose of preventing the Introduction of contagious or infectious Disorders. [4th *September* 1848.]

WHEREAS it is expedient, in order to prevent the Introduction of contagious or infectious Disorders among Sheep, Cattle, Horses, and other Animals, that Power should be given to Her Majesty in Council to take such Measures as may appear to be necessary for preventing or regulating the Importation of Animals from Parts beyond the Seas where such infectious or contagious Disorders prevail: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen'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 it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, from Time to Time, by Order in Council, to prohibit the Importation or Introduction into the United Kingdom, or into any particular Port or Ports thereof, of Cattle, Sheep, Horses, or other Animals, either generally or from any Place or Places that may be named in such Order, for such Period or Periods as She may deem to be necessary, for the Purpose of preventing the Introduction of any infectious or contagious Disorder among the Sheep, Cattle, Horses, or other Animals in this Country.

Power to prohibit, by Order in Council, the Importation of Sheep, Cattle, &c., in order to prevent Contagion.

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Power to make, by Order in Council, Regulations for subjecting Sheep, &c. to Quarantine.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty from Time to Time, by Order in Council, to make such Regulations for subjecting Sheep, Cattle, Horses, or other Animals to Quarantine, or for causing the same to be destroyed upon their Arrival in this Country, or for destroying any Hay, Straw, Fodder, or other Article whereby it appears to Her that Infection or Contagion may be conveyed, and generally to make such Regulations with respect to the Importation of Sheep, Cattle, Horses, or other Animals, as She may consider to be necessary in order to prevent the Introduction of any contagious or infectious Disorder.

Cattle, &c. imported contrary to Provisions of Orders in Council to be forfeited.

Penalty on importing, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That if any Cattle, Sheep, Horses, or other Animals be imported or introduced, or attempted to be imported or introduced, contrary to the Provisions of any Order or Orders in Council made in pursuance of this Act, the same shall be forfeited in like Manner as Goods prohibited to be imported by any Act relating to the Customs; and all Persons importing or introducing or attempting to import or introduce the same shall be liable to such Penalties as are imposed on Persons importing or attempting to import Goods prohibited by Acts relating to the Customs.

Orders in Council may be revoked in whole or in part from Time to Time.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by any further Order or Orders in Council, from Time to Time to revoke the whole or any Part of any Order or Orders issued by Her Majesty in Council under the Authority of this Act; and that from and after a Day to be named in such Order or Orders of Revocation such Order or Orders issued under the Authority of this Act, or such Part thereof as shall be specified in such Order or Orders of Revocation, shall cease and determine.

Orders in Council to be published in the London Gazette.

V. And be it enacted, That every Order or Orders in Council issued under the Authority of this Act shall, within Fourteen Days after the issuing thereof, be twice published in the *London Gazette;* and that a Copy of every Order or Orders in Council issued under the Authority of this Act shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within Six Weeks after issuing the same, if Parliament be then sitting, and if not, then within Six Weeks after the Commencement of the then next Session of Parliament.

Act may be amended, &c.

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

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