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An Act to amend an Act of the Fifty-fourth Year of King *George* the Third, for the Recovery of small Sums due for Wages in *Ireland*.

[11th *May* 1849.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifty-fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to repeal the several Laws for Recovery* 54 G. 3. c. 116. *of small Sums due for Wages in* Ireland, *and to make other Provisions for Recovery of such Wages*, Justices of the Peace and Chief Magistrates within their respective Jurisdictions are authorized to hear Complaints respecting the Nonpayment of Wages not exceeding Six Pounds, and to adjudicate thereon by summary Process: And whereas Doubts have been entertained how far the Sums recoverable by Servants, Artificers, or Labourers, as defined by said Act, working by Task or by the Job or by Contract, come within the Provisions of the said Act, and it is expedient that such Sums should be recoverable in like Manner as Wages under the said Act, and also that the Amount of Sums recoverable under the said Act or this Act, whether for Wages, Damages or Compensation for the Detention thereof, or Costs, should be extended to the Amount of like Sums as in the said Act mentioned of the present Currency of the United

Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland:* 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,

Sums recoverable under recited Act or this Act extended to like Sums of the present Currency; and Wages for Task Work to be recoverable before Justices in like Manner as other Wages for Labour.

That the Amount of Sums recoverable under the Provisions of the said Act, whether for Wages, Damages or Compensation for the Detention thereof, or Costs, shall be extended to the Amount of like Sums as in the said Act mentioned of the present Currency of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland;* and further, that all Sums due or payable in *Ireland* to any Servant, Artificer, or Labourer, as defined by the said Act, whose Demand, whether originally greater or not, shall not exceed Six Pounds of the present Currency, for any Labour done or performed by Task or by the Job or by Contract, shall be recoverable by summary Process, in the same Manner and subject to the same Conditions and Limitations as are contained in the said herein-before recited Act, as amended by this Act, in respect to Wages.

The Hire of Horses, Carts, &c. to be recoverable in like Manner.

II. And be it enacted, That all Sums due or payable in *Ireland* for the Hire of any Horse, Ass, Mule, Bullock, or other Animal for Draught, or of any Cart, Dray, Car, Plough, Harrow, or Vehicle drawn by any Horse, Ass, Mule, Bullock, or other Animal, for the Purpose of any labouring Work, (not being for the Carriage of any Passenger or Passengers,) where the Demand (whether consisting wholly of any such Sums as last aforesaid, or partly of any such Sums and partly of Wages, or whether originally of greater Amount or not,) shall not exceed Six Pounds of the present Currency, shall be recoverable by summary Process, in the same Manner and subject to the same Conditions and Limitations as are contained in the said herein-before recited Act, as amended by this Act, in respect to Wages.

Proceedings required for an Appeal.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That in case any Party be desirous of appealing to the Quarter Sessions against the Decision of the Justice or Justices or Chief Magistrate, either in any of the Cases in this Act provided for, or in any of the Cases in the said recited Act mentioned and provided for, such Appeal shall not be entertained unless it be made within One Week next after the making of such Decision, nor unless within Four Days after so appealing Notice in Writing of such Appeal, stating the Nature and Grounds thereof, be given to or left at the Place of Abode of the Party against whom such Appeal shall be brought, nor unless the Appellant at the Time of or forthwith after making such Appeal enter into Recognizances, with Two sufficient Sureties, before a Justice, conditioned duly to prosecute such Appeal, and to abide the Order of the Court thereon.

IV. And

IV. And be it enacted, That, subject to the Alterations hereby made, the said recited Act and this Act shall be construed together as One Act. Recited Act and this Act to be construed as One.

V. And whereas by an Act of the Seventh Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to facilitate the Recovery by summary Process of small Sums due to the Teachers of Schools in* Ireland, it is provided that Sums due or payable to any Teacher of a School in *Ireland* for Instruction given therein shall be recoverable in the same Manner and subject to the same Conditions and Limitations as are contained in the said first-recited Act in respect to Wages: Be it enacted, That the Provisions of this Act for amending the said first-recited Act in relation to the Amount of the Sums recoverable under the same, and in relation to Appeals, shall be extended and applied to Proceedings for the Recovery of Sums due or payable to Teachers of Schools under the Provisions of the said Act of the Seventh Year of Her Majesty's Reign. Provisions of this Act extended to Proceedings for Sums due to Teachers of Schools under 7 & 8 Vict. c. 5.

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

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