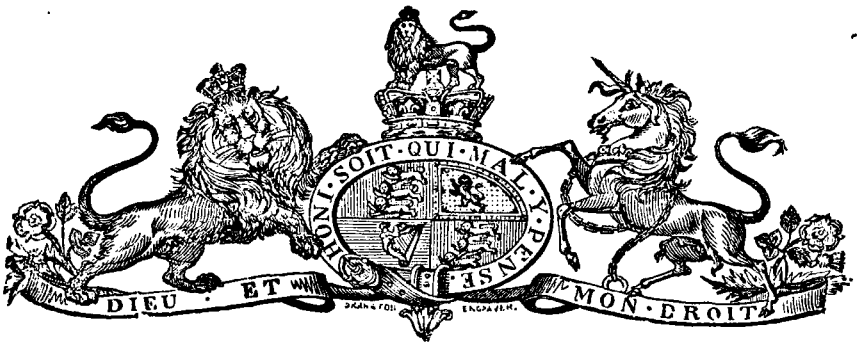


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CAP. LVIII.

An Act to amend an Act of the Seventh and Eighth Years of Her present Majesty, for reducing, under certain Circumstances, the Duties payable upon Books and Engravings. [18th *August* 1846.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to reduce, under certain Circumstances, the Duties payable upon Books and Engravings*, it is enacted, that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by Order in Council, to declare that Books and Engravings published in certain Foreign Countries shall be liable only to the Duties set forth in the Schedule to the said Act annexed: And whereas a Treaty has been concluded between Her Majesty and the King of *Prussia* for the Purpose of securing to the Authors and Publishers of the United Kingdom and of the Dominions of *Prussia* respectively a reciprocal Protection in their Rights of Property in their Productions: And whereas by the said Treaty it is agreed that Books and Engravings published in the Dominions of *Prussia* shall, upon their Importation into the United Kingdom, be subject to such Duties only as are set forth in the said Treaty: And whereas such Duties do not in all respects correspond with the Duties set forth in the said

7 & 8 Vict. c. 73.

Schedule to the said Act herein-before referred to; and it is expedient that Authority should be given to Her Majesty to carry the Provisions of the said Treaty into effect, and to conclude similar Treaties with other Foreign Powers: 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,

Recited Act repealed.

That the said Act herein-before referred to shall be repealed.

Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, reduce Duties on Books and Prints published in Countries to which Copyright is allowed.

II. And be it enacted, That whenever Her Majesty has, by virtue of any Authority vested in Her for that Purpose, declared that the Authors, Inventors, Designers, Engravers, or Makers of any Books, Prints, or other Works of Art first published in any Foreign Country or Countries shall have the Privilege of Copyright therein, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, if She think fit, from Time to Time, by any Order in Council, to declare that from and after a Day to be named in such Order, in lieu of the Duties of Customs from Time to Time payable on the Importation into the United Kingdom of any of the Classes of Articles enumerated in the Schedule to this Act annexed, there shall be payable only such Duties of Customs as are set forth in the said Schedule.

Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, reduce Duties on Books, &c. of Countries under Treaty of Reciprocity.

III. And be it enacted, That if at the Time of the Publication of any such Order in Council as aforesaid there be subsisting between Her Majesty and any other Foreign Country any Treaty or Convention concluded before the Date of the passing of this Act, and directly or indirectly binding Her Majesty, either conditionally or unconditionally, to admit Books, Prints, or Drawings published in and imported from such Country into the United Kingdom, upon the same Terms as those published in and imported from the most favoured Nation, and if in the Case of such Treaty being conditional such Country have fulfilled the Conditions required in return for such Privilege, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, if She think fit, from Time to Time, by any Order in Council, after reciting the Date of such Treaty, and if the same be conditional stating that such Country has duly fulfilled the Conditions required in return for the aforesaid Privilege, and is entitled thereto, to declare that from and after a Day to be named in such Order, in lieu of the Duties of Customs from Time to Time payable on the Importation into the United Kingdom of any of the Classes of Articles enumerated in the said Schedule to this Act annexed, there shall be payable only such Duties of Customs as are set forth in the said Schedule.

Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, reduce Duties in favour of Countries not under Treaty.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, if She shall think proper, from Time to Time, by any Order in Council, to declare that such Duties only shall be charged upon Books, Prints, or Drawings published in and imported from any Foreign Country or Countries to be named in such Order as are set forth in the said Schedule to this Act annexed.

Her Majesty may, by Order in

V. 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 under the Authority of this Act. Council, revoke previous Orders.

VI. And be it enacted, That every Order in Council issued under the Authority of this Act shall within Fourteen Days after the issuing thereof be Twice published in the "*London Gazette*." Orders to be published in the Gazette;

VII. And be it enacted, That a Copy of every Order 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. and to be laid before Parliament.

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

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SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Act refers.

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Books; videlicet,			
Works originally produced in the United Kingdom, and republished in the Country of Export, the Hundred Weight	2	10	0
Works not originally produced in the United Kingdom, the Hundred Weight	0	15	0
Prints and Drawings (Plain or Coloured):			
Single, each	0	0	0½
Bound or sewn, the Dozen	0	0	1½

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