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An Act for granting to His Majesty, until the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, certain Duties on Sugar imported into the United Kingdom, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty.

[30th *March* 1831.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in Parliament assembled, towards raising the necessary Supplies to defray Your Majesty's public Expences, have freely and voluntarily resolved to give and grant unto Your Majesty the Duties herein-after mentioned; and therefore do most humbly beseech 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 the Duties imposed on Sugar and Molasses, and the Bounties allowed thereon, by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act for granting to His Majesty, until the Fifth Day of* April *One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, certain Duties on Sugar imported into the United Kingdom, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty,* and which were to continue in force until the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, shall be and the same are hereby further continued until the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

Duties on Sugar and Molasses imposed by 1 W. 4. c. 50. continued until April 1832.

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II. And

Powers of recited Act extended to this Act.

II. And be it further enacted, That the several Powers, Provisions, Matters, and Things contained in the said recited Act shall be extended to this Act, and the Duties and Bounties hereby continued, in as full and ample a Manner as if the same had been repeated and re-enacted in this Act, and made Part thereof.

Monies paid into the Exchequer under this Act shall be separate from other Payments.

III. And be it further enacted, That there shall be provided and kept in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster* One Book of Register, in which all the Money that shall be paid into the said Exchequer from so much of the said Rates and Duties hereby granted on Sugar as shall arise and be payable in *Great Britain* shall be entered and registered apart and distinct from all other Monies paid and payable to His Majesty; and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of the Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* to issue and apply the same from Time to Time to such Services as shall then have been voted by the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in this present Session of Parliament; and that so much of the said Duties on Sugar as shall arise and be payable in *Ireland* shall be paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer there, and shall be carried to the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

The Treasury may direct Exchequer Bills to be made out, not exceeding 3,000,000*l*.

IV. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, at any Time or Times when they shall think fit so to do, to cause or direct any Number of Exchequer Bills to be made out at the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole, including any Sum or Sums of Money issued towards the Aids or Supplies in pursuance of this Act, the Sum of Three Millions, in the same or like Manner, Form, and Order, and according to the same or like Rules and Directions, as are directed and prescribed in and by an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for regulating the issuing and paying off of Exchequer Bills*.

48 G. 3. c. 1.

Powers of 48 G. 3. c. 1. extended to this Act.

V. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities contained in the said recited Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said several Clauses or Provisoes had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

Exchequer Bills to bear an Interest.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act shall and may bear an Interest not exceeding the Rate of Four Pounds *per Centum per Annum* upon or in respect of the whole of the Monies respectively contained therein.

Bank of England may advance Money on the Credit of this Act,

VII. And be it declared and enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* to advance or lend to His Majesty, at the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, upon the Credit of the Exchequer Bills authorized by this Act, any

Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Three Millions; any thing in an Act made in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of King *William* and Queen *Mary*, intituled *An Act for granting to Their Majesties several Rates and Duties upon Tonnage of Ships and Vessels, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors; and for securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the said Act mentioned to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds towards carrying on the War against* France, or in any subsequent Act, to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding. notwithstanding 5 & 6 W. & M. c. 20.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to cause such Bills as shall be prepared by virtue of this Act to be placed as so much Cash in the respective Offices of the Tellers of the said Receipt of Exchequer; each and every of which Tellers shall be severally charged with a Proportion of the said Bills which shall be so placed in his Office respectively, any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding. Bills to be placed as Cash in the Exchequer;

IX. And be it further enacted, That the said Exchequer Bills in the Hands of the said Tellers shall be locked up and secured as Cash according to the Course of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, and shall be taken and esteemed as so much in part of the Remains in real Money wherewith each of the said Tellers shall from Time to Time stand charged, in common with other the Monies in the said Exchequer, any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding; and it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury to issue and apply the same from Time to Time to such Services as shall then have been voted by the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in this present Session of Parliament. and to be issuable thereout in common with other Monies.

X. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Exchequer Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, together with the Interest that may become due thereon, and the Charges of exchanging and circulating the same, shall be and the same are hereby made chargeable and charged upon the Rates, Duties, and Assessments granted by this Act; and it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury and they are hereby authorized from Time to Time to direct to be issued to the said Paymasters, by way of Imprest and upon Account, such Sums of Money and at such Periods as the said Commissioners shall think necessary for or towards paying off and discharging the Exchequer Bills which shall have been made forth by virtue of this Act, or any of them, and for and towards paying the Interest to become due on the said Bills, and for and towards the Charge of exchanging and circulating the same Bills, or any of them. Exchequer Bills to be charged on the Duties granted by this Act.

XI. And be it further enacted, That on the Fifth Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, or within Ten Days after, the said Commissioners of the Treasury or any Three or more of them now being, or the Lord High Treasurer or any Three or more of the said Commissioners of the Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the Time being, shall cause a true Account of Exchequer Bills to be taken.

true and perfect Account in Writing to be taken and attested by the proper Officers of the Amount of all Exchequer Bills that shall have been issued by virtue of this Act, and how much thereof shall before that Time have been paid off or discharged, and how much thereof shall then remain undischarged.

Money due on Exchequer Bills to be paid out of the next Aids.

XII. And be it further enacted, That the Monies so remaining unsatisfied or not discharged, with the Interest due or to grow due thereon, and the Charges of exchanging and circulating the same, shall be paid and satisfied out of the next Aid or Aids to be granted in Parliament after the said Fifth Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

Surplus Monies to be carried to Consolidated Fund.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That the Surplus of the Monies arising from the Rates, Duties, and Assessments granted and imposed by this Act, after paying off and satisfying all the Exchequer Bills issued by virtue of this Act, together with the Interest that may become due thereon, and the Charges of exchanging and circulating the same, shall, as a Surplus of any such Monies respectively shall be paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, be carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

The Treasury to allow the necessary Charges of making forth new Exchequer Bills;

XIV. Provided also, and be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury or any Three or more of them now being, or the said Lord High Treasurer or any Three or more of the said Commissioners of the Treasury for the Time being, and he or they is and are hereby authorized and empowered, to pay and allow, or cause to be paid and allowed, out of the Monies to arise of or from the said Rates and Duties hereby granted, or of or from the said Consolidated Fund, from Time to Time, the necessary Charges of making forth the new Exchequer Bills hereby authorized to be made forth, and such other Charges as shall be necessarily incident in or for the Execution of this Act, or any Part thereof, in relation to the said Bills; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

to be replaced out of the first Supplies.

XV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That whatever Monies shall be issued out of the said Consolidated Fund shall from Time to Time be replaced by and out of the first Supplies to be thenafter granted by Parliament; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Act may be altered this Session.

XVI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended, altered, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be made in this present Session of Parliament.

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