CAP. XC.

An Act to authorize the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury to grant Compensation to the Inspectors and Coal Meters of the City of *Dublin*, and to impose a Rate upon Coals imported into the Port of *Dublin*, to provide a Fund for such Compensation.

[7th *August* 1832.]

2 W. 4. c. 21.

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in this present Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act to repeal several Acts of the Parliament of* Ireland, *imposing Restrictions upon the Coal Trade, and to regulate the same*, certain Acts of Parliament therein mentioned were repealed: And whereas by the said Act it is enacted, that no Porter, Carman, Meter, or Weigh Master, howsoever licensed or appointed, shall, under any Pretext whatever, interfere in or meddle with the Sale, Measurement, weighing, Delivery, or Storage of Coals, save upon the Request and by Desire of the Buyer or Seller thereof, nor shall any Person sue for, demand, or take any Fee, Payment, or Reward whatsoever, under Pretext of being so licensed or appointed, save when and so far as he may be employed by such Buyer or Seller as aforesaid; and that it shall and may be lawful to employ, for the weighing, measuring, loading, or Carriage of Coals, any other Person or Persons whatever, and to make with such other Person or Persons any private or special Agreement for his or their Wages or Hire; any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding: And whereas by the passing of the said Act certain Inspectors of Meters, and certain Meters and Superannuated Meters of Coals in the City of *Dublin*, in the Schedule to this Act annexed more particularly described, will lose and be deprived of certain Fees and Payments for the meting and weighing of Coals to which such Inspectors and Meters would otherwise by Law have been entitled: And whereas it is expedient to provide Compensation for such Inspectors and Meters;' 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,

The Treasury may grant Compensation to certain of the Coal Meters of Dublin.

That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, to grant to all such Inspectors and Meters who at the Time of the passing the said first-mentioned Act were entitled to such Fees and Payments, a Compensation for the Loss of the same, not exceeding in Amount to any One of them the respective Sums set forth in Figures in the said Schedule.

Any Sum earned by the Grantee of the Compensation to be deducted from the Amount of it.

II. And be it further enacted, That if any Person hereby entitled to such Compensation shall, by being appointed to any Office under His Majesty's Government, earn and procure for himself any Income or Sum or Sums of Money, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, to deduct the Amount of all such Sums so earned and procured from the Compensation hereby permitted to be granted to such Person, and to pay to such Person the Excess of the Compensation above the Sum so earned and procured, and no more.

III. And

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three of them, to require at any Time from the said Meters a Return of their Fees and Profits as derived from the Metage of Coals, and revise the Compensation granted to such Meters from Time to Time, and alter the same; provided the Compensation to each Class of Meters or to any One of them shall in no Case exceed the Amount specified in the Schedule to this Act annexed.

The Treasury may require a Return of the Meters Profits.

IV. And for the Purpose of providing a Fund for the Payment of the said Compensation, be it further enacted, That there shall be paid to the Collector of the Customs for the Port of *Dublin* for the Time being the Sum of Four-pence for every Ton of Coals, not being the Produce of that Part of the United Kingdom called *Ireland*, imported into the Port of *Dublin*, and expressed in the Certificate required by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for the general Regulation of the Customs*, to be delivered by the Fitters, Coal Owner, or his Agent, to the Collector or Comptroller at the Port of Shipment.

Four-pence per Ton to be levied upon Coals, not Irish, imported into Dublin.

6 G. 4. c. 107.

V. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where the Quantity in the said last-mentioned Certificate is expressed in Chaldrons that each Chaldron shall be deemed and taken to be equivalent to One Ton and a Half.

A Chaldron of Coals equivalent to a Ton and a Half.

VI. And be it further enacted, That no Vessel importing Coals into the Port of *Dublin* shall be permitted by the said Collector to discharge her Cargo or any Part thereof until the said Sum hereby directed to be paid shall have been received by the said Collector; and that all Coals landed from any Vessel before the said Sum shall have been paid shall be forfeited, and shall and may be seized by any Officer of Customs, and shall and may be dealt with in the same Manner as any other Goods seized under any Law relating to the Customs.

No Vessel to discharge her Cargo until the Four-pence is paid.

VII. And be it further enacted, That all Coals imported into the said Port of *Dublin* which shall be intended or purchased for the Use of the Glass, Sugar, and Salt Manufacturers, and for the Use of Distillers, Brewers, Calico Printers, Iron, Brass, and Metal Founders, Paper Manufacturers, Woollen Manufacturers, Linen Manufacturers, Cotton Manufacturers, Stuff Manufacturers, Hat Manufacturers, Dyers, Chemical Workers, and all other Manufacturers requiring the Use of Coal in their respective Manufactories, shall be exempted and discharged from the Payment of the said Sum hereby directed to be paid: Provided always, that the Importer or Purchaser of such Coals, or some Person authorized by such Purchaser, shall at the Time of Entry thereof declare, before the Collector or other chief Officer of the said Port, who is hereby empowered and required to receive such Declaration, that the said Coals are purchased and *bond fide* intended for the Use of the Glass, Sugar, or Salt Manufactories, Distillers, Brewers, Calico Printers, Iron, Brass, and Metal Founders, Paper Manufacturers, Woollen, Linen, and Cotton Manufacturers, Stuff Manufacturers, Hat Manufacturers, Dyers, Workers, or other Manufacturers requiring the Use of Coal in their Manufactories, and for no other Use whatsoever; and if any Person or Persons shall knowingly declare any thing that is false in such Declaration, he or they shall forfeit

Coals required for Use of Manufactories in Dublin exempted.

Importer or Purchaser of such Coals to make Declaration that same are solely intended to be used in such Manufactories.

Persons making false Declaration, or using Coals for other Purposes, to forfeit 100*l.*

forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds: Provided also, that if the said Importer or Purchaser shall sell or use the said Coals, or cause the same to be sold or used, for any other Purpose save and except for the Purposes herein-before mentioned, that then and in every such Case such Person or Persons shall forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds; the said several Sums or Penalties of One hundred Pounds to be recovered, levied, and applied in the same Manner as any Penalties inflicted by any Law relating to the Customs may now by Law be recovered, levied, and applied.

Collector of Customs at Dublin duly to account for all Money so received.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Collector of the Customs for the Port of *Dublin* for the Time being shall from Time to Time duly account for all Sums of Money received by him by virtue of this Act to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them; and shall pay out of such Money so received by him all such Sums in respect of such Compensations to such Persons as the said Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury or any Three or more of them shall direct.

Money to be applied only to pay Compensations.

IX. And be it further enacted, That all the Sums of Money levied by virtue of this Act shall be applied to the Payment of the Compensations hereby granted, and to no other Purpose whatsoever.

Sums to be levied may be reduced by the Treasury; and to cease with the Compensations.

X. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, and they are hereby required, from Time to Time to reduce the said Sum hereby to be paid upon Coals so imported as aforesaid to such lesser Sum as may be required for the Purpose of paying the said Compensation; and that when and as soon as the said several Persons to whom Compensation is granted shall die, or shall otherwise cease to be entitled to receive the same, the said Sums hereby directed to be paid shall be no longer payable or collected.

SCHEDULE

OF

ANNUAL PAYMENTS authorized to be made by virtue of this Act by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, as a Compensation for Loss of Fees to the several Officers following; namely,

	£	s.	d.
To the Principal Inspector, the annual Sum of - - - - -	112	15	0
To the Inspector and Book-keeper, the annual Sum of - - -	236	8	0
To each Meter in Receipt of full Emoluments, the annual Sums following:			
16 at - - - - -	51	12	0
24 at - - - - -	43	0	0
18 at - - -	21	10	0
To each Meter appointed to be put on full upon Death or Removal of others, the annual Sum of - - -	12	0	0
To each Superannuated Meter, the annual Sum of - - - - -	38	0	0