

Vessel to fail without Convoy, or wilfully separating therefrom), shall be null and void, to all Intents and Purposes, both at Law and in Equity, any Contract or Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding; and that nothing shall be recovered thereon by the Assured for Loss or Damage, or for the Premium, or Consideration in the Nature of a Premium, which shall have been given for such Insurance; and if any Party to such Insurance, his, her, or their Executors or Administrators, any Broker, Agent, or other Person, shall knowingly make or effect, or procure to be made or effected, or shall negotiate or transact any Settlement upon such Insurance, or pay or allow in Account, or agree to pay or allow in Account or otherwise, any Sum or Sums of Money upon any Loss, Peril, or Contingency, relative to any such Insurance, every such Person shall, for every such Offence, forfeit the Sum of Two hundred Pounds.

allow any Money on Account of Loss, he shall forfeit 200^l.

V. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for any Officer or Officers of His Majesty's Customs, to permit or suffer any Ship or Vessel which is by this Act required not to fail or depart without Convoy, to be cleared Outwards from any Port or Place in *Great Britain* to Foreign Parts, until the Master or other Person having the Charge or Command of such Ship or Vessel, shall have given Bond to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, with One sufficient Surety, in the Penalty of the Value of such Ship or Vessel, which Bond shall be taken by the Collector or other principal Officer of the Customs at such Port or Place, who is hereby authorized and required to take such Security, with Condition that such Ship or Vessel shall not fail or depart without Convoy, contrary to the Directions contained in this Act, and shall not afterwards desert, or wilfully separate or depart from such Convoy without Leave obtained from the Captain or other Officer in His Majesty's Navy, intrusted with the Charge of such Convoy, before such Ship or Vessel shall have arrived at her Port or Place of Destination, or so far on her Voyage as such Convoy shall be appointed to accompany and protect such Ship or Vessel.

Officers of the Customs not to permit Vessels to be cleared Outwards, until the Master has given Bond not to fail without Convoy, and not to separate from it.

Penalty
Value
of Ship

VI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained, by which Ships or Vessels are required not to fail or depart without Convoy, shall extend, or be construed to extend, to any Ship or Vessel which is not required to be registered, by any Act or Acts of Parliament in Force on or immediately before the passing of this Act, or to any Ship or Vessel for which a Licence shall be granted to fail or depart without Convoy, either by the Lord High Admiral of *Great Britain*, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or by such Person or Persons as shall be duly authorized by him or them, or any Three or more of them, for that Purpose, or to any Ship or Vessel proceeding with due Diligence to join Convoy from the Port or Place at which the same shall be cleared Outwards, in case such Convoy shall be appointed to fail from some other Port or Place, except nevertheless as to the Bond hereby required to be taken upon the Clearance Outwards of such Ship or Vessel, or to any Ship or Vessel bound to or from any Port or Place within the Kingdom of *Ireland*, or to any Ship or Vessel bound from any Port or Place within the Kingdom of *Great Britain*, to any other Port or Place within the same, or to any Ship or Vessel belonging to, or hired by, or in the Service or Employ of the United

Act not to extend to certain Vessels.