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Sound and
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tions: May it therefore please Your most Excellent Ma-
jesty 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 from and after the
First Day of January, One thousand seven hundred and
seventy-two, every Person or Persons who shall, within
the Time appointed by this Act, import, or cause to be
imported, into the Ports of London, Southampton, Poole,
Exeter, Plymouth, Bristol, Liverpoole, Whitehaven, Glas-
gow, Leith, Hull, Newcastle, and Yarmouth, or either
of them, directly from any of the British Colonies or
Plantations in America, in any Ship or Ships that
may lawfully Trade thither, manned as by Law is re-
quired, any good, sound, and merchantable Staves,
and Heading of White Oak, free from Sap, Worm-
holes, Knots, and Bites, of the following Dimensions,
of the Growth or Product of the said Colonies or Plan-
tations, shall have and enjoy as a Bounty or Premium
for such Importation, the following Sums; that is to say,

What Bounty
they shall en-
joy.

For every One thousand and two hundred (each hun-
dred containing five Score) of Pipe Staves, each
Stave not being less than five Feet Six Inches long,
from four Inches and One-half of an Inch to Six
Inches broad, and Two Inches thick at the thinnest
Edge, which shall be so imported from the First Day of
January, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-two,
to the First Day of January, One thousand seven hundred
and seventy-five, the Sum of Six Pounds, and in the
like Proportion for any greater or less Number.

For every One thousand and eight such hundred of
Hoghead Staves, each Stave not being less than four
Feet Six Inches long, from four Inches and One-
half of an Inch, to Six Inches broad, and One Inch
and One-half of an Inch thick at the thinnest Edge,
which shall be so imported from and after the said First
Day of January, One thousand seven hundred and seven-
ty-two, to the First Day of January, One thousand
seven hundred and seventy-five, the Sum of Six Pounds,
and in the like Proportion for any greater or less
Number.

For every Two thousand and four such hundred of
Barrel Staves, each Stave being from Three Feet Six
Inches to Three Feet Eight Inches at the least in
length, from four Inches to five Inches broad, and
One Inch and One-half of an Inch thick at the thin-
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