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This Act not to extend to Ships cleared out from the said Colonies before June 1, for the Whale Fishery only:

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to empower any Officer of His Majesty's Ships of War, or of His Majesty's Customs, to seize any Ship or Vessel which shall be fitted and cleared out from any of the said Colonies and Provinces before the First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-five, for the Whale Fishery only, and which shall be found carrying on such Fishery within the Limits aforesaid, between the said First Day of June and the First Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-five, and not carrying on, nor having on Board any Materials for carrying on, any other Fishery.

Nor to affect Ships belonging to the Island of Nantucket, cleared out for the Whale Fishery, having a proper Certificate:

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That nothing in this Act contained, respecting the Fisheries carried on by His Majesty's Subjects in North America, shall affect, or be construed to affect, any Ship or Vessel, her Guns, Ammunition, Tackle, Apparel, Furniture, or Fish, on Board, being the Property of any of the Inhabitants of the Island of Nantucket, employed in the Whale Fishery only, if it shall appear by the Papers on Board, that such Ship or Vessel was fitted and cleared out from thence before the First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-five, or if the Master, or other Person having the Charge of any such Ship or Vessel as aforesaid, shall produce a Certificate, under the Hand and Seal of the Governor or Commander in Chief of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay, setting forth, that such Ship or Vessel (expressing her Name, and the Name of her Master, and describing her Build and Burden) is the whole and entire Property of His Majesty's Subjects of the said Island of Nantucket, and was the Property of One or more of them on or before the Twenty-fifth Day of March, in the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-five, and that she was cleared out with Materials on Board in order to proceed upon the