

ing Justices to hold Courts of Record for the Trial of Criminal and Civil Offences.

any such Persons so appointed Justices of the Peace as aforesaid, to sit and hold Courts of Record for the Trial of Criminal Offences and Misdemeanors, and also of Civil Causes; and it shall be lawful for His Majesty to order, direct, and authorize the Appointment of proper Officers to act in aid of such Courts and Justices within the Jurisdiction assigned to such Courts and Justices in any such Commission; any thing in this Act, or in any Charter of the Governor and Company of Merchants Adventurers of *England* trading to *Hudson's Bay*, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Court to be constituted as His Majesty shall direct.

XII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That such Courts shall be constituted, as to the Number of Justices to preside therein, and as to such places within the said Territories of the said Company, or any *Indian Territories*, or other parts of *North America* as aforesaid, and the Times and Manner of holding the same, as His Majesty shall from Time to Time order and direct; but shall not try any Offender upon any Charge or Indictment for any Felony made the Subject of Capital Punishment, or for any Offence or passing Sentence affecting the Life of any Offender, or adjudge or cause any Offender to suffer Capital Punishment or Transportation, to take Cognizance of or try any Civil Action or Suit, in which the Cause of such Suit or Action shall exceed in Value the Amount or Sum of Two

Power of the Court not to extend to Capital Offences; nor to Civil Actions where the amount

Hundred Pounds; and in every case of any Offence subjecting the Person committing the same to Capital Punishment or Transportation, the Court or any Judge of any such Court, or any Justice or Justices of the Peace, before whom any such Offender shall be brought, shall commit such Offender to safe Custody, and cause such Offender to be sent into such Custody for Trial in the Court of the Province of *Upper Canada*.

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XIII. And be it further enacted, That all Judgments given in any Civil Suit shall be subject to Appeal to His Majesty in Council, in like Manner as in other Cases in His Majesty's Province of *Upper Canada*, and also in any Case in which the Right or Title to any Land shall be in question.

Allowing an Appeal.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be taken or construed to affect any Right, Privilege, Authority, or Jurisdiction which the Governor and Company of Adventurers trading to *Hudson's Bay* are by Law entitled to claim and exercise under their Charter; but that all such Rights, Privileges, Authorities, and Jurisdictions shall remain in as full force, virtue, and effect, as if this Act had never been made, any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Act not to affect Rights of Hudson's Bay Company.

Anno Sexto Georgii IV. Regis.

CAP. LXIV.

An Act to alter for One Year, and until the End of the then next Session of Parliament, the Duty on Wheat, the Produce of the British Possessions in North America. [22d June 1825.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to permit, for a Time to be limited, the Importation of Wheat the Produce of and imported from the *British Possessions* in *North America*, on the Payment of a certain Duty; 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, That for One Year from and after the passing of this Act, and further until the End of the then next Session of Parliament, all Prohibitions and Restrictions upon the Importation of Wheat, the Produce of, and imported from the *British Possessions* in *North America*, and all Duties payable on the Importation of such Wheat under an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled "*An Act to amend the Laws now in force for regulating the Importation of Corn*;" and also an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled "*An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Importation of Corn*;" or any other Act or Acts in force immediately before the passing of this Act, shall be and are hereby suspended; and that for One Year from and after the passing of this Act, and further until the End of the then next Session of Parliament, any Wheat, the Produce of and imported from the *British Possessions* in *North America*, shall and may be imported into the United Kingdom, what-

Prohibitions on the Importation of Wheat, the Produce of *British Possessions* in *North America*, and the Duties payable under 55 G. 3. c. 26; and also under 3 G. 4. c. 60. &c. suspended for a limited time.

ever the Average Prices of *British Wheat* may be; any thing in the said Acts or any of them to the contrary notwithstanding; and that from and after the passing of this Act, in lieu and instead of all former Duties payable on such Wheat, there shall be levied and paid, during the Period aforesaid, upon the Importation of any such Wheat, the Sum of Five Shillings for every Quarter thereof.

Instead of former Duties there shall be paid on the Importation 5s. per Quarter.

II. And be it further enacted, That no Wheat shall be shipped from any Port in the *British Possessions* in *North America*, until the Owner or Proprietor thereof shall have made Oath before the Collector or Controller of the Port of Shipment, that such Wheat was the Produce of some *British Possession* in *North America*, naming the same; and that before any Wheat shall be entered in the United Kingdom as being the Produce of the *British Possessions* in *North America*, the Master of the Ship importing the same shall produce a Copy of the Deposition made, signed by the Collector or Controller before whom it was made, at the Port of Shipment, and make Oath before the Collector or Controller of the Port of Importation, that the Wheat is the same that was sworn to in the Deposition he produces: Provided always, that this Oath shall not be required in respect to any Wheat which shall have been shipped within Three Months after the passing of this Act.

Regulations to be observed on the Importation of such Wheat.