

to the Collector of the Customs at the Port from which such Ship or Vessel is intended to proceed upon the said Fishery (which hath such Collector is hereby impowered and required to administer), shall be impressed from the said Service; and that any such Harpooner, Line Manager, or Boat Steerer may, during the Time of the Year that he or they are not employed in the said Fishery, sail in the Colliery or Coasting Trade, upon giving Security, to the Satisfaction of the Commissioners of the Customs, that he or they will proceed in the said Ship or Vessel to the Greenland Seas, or Davis's Straights, on the Whale Fishery the next Season; and that every Seaman or common Mariner who, during the Continuance of this Act, shall be entered to serve on Board any such Ship or Vessel which shall be so intended to proceed on the said Fishery, whose Name shall be inserted in a List to be delivered as aforesaid, and who shall have given Security, to the Satisfaction of the Commissioners of the Customs, to proceed, and shall proceed accordingly, shall be privileged and exempt from being impressed from or out of the said Service from the first Day of February in each Year, until the Voyage home from thence shall be fully complete and ended, and no longer; any Law, Custom, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that this Act shall not extend, or be construed to extend, to protect from being impressed any greater Number of Harpooners, Line Managers, and Boat Steerers, than Six Harpooners, Six Line Managers, and Six Boat Steerers, and Eighteen Seamen or common Mariners belonging to each such Ship or Vessel of the Burthen of four hundred Tons, and so in Proportion for any less Tonnage.

VI. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Boat used as and commonly called A Whale Boat, belonging to any Ship or Vessel employed in the said Fishery to the Greenland Seas, or Davis's Straights, or in the Fishery carried on in the Seas to the Southward of the Greenland Seas and Davis's Straights, shall be liable to Seizure for or on Account of her Build, Dimensions, or Construction; provided, on the Return of

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Seamen entered for such Ships, exempted from being impressed from Feb. 1 yearly to the End of the Voyage.

Protection from being impressed, to extend only to the Numbers herein specified.

No Whale Boat belonging to Ships in the Greenland Fishery, &c. liable to Seizure, on Account of her Construction, if employed in the Fishery only.