

and eight hundred and three, or from any other Port or Place in *Europe* on or before the Twentieth Day of *August* One thousand eight hundred and three, or from any other Port or Place in the *West Indies*, or any other Part of *America*, on or before the Twentieth Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred and three, or from any Port or Place in *Africa* or *Asia* on or before the Twentieth Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and three.

XII. And be it further enacted, That One Moiety of all pecuniary Penalties and Forfeitures hereby imposed, as far as the same relate to Ships or Vessels sailing without Convoy, or wilfully separating or departing from such Convoy, or to Insurances, shall, if sued for within the Space of One Year from the Time of any such Penalty or Forfeiture being incurred, be to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety thereof, with full Costs of Suit, to the Person or Persons who shall inform or sue for the same within the Time aforesaid; and which shall and may be sued for in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, for Offences committed in *England*, or at Sea, or in Parts beyond the Seas; and in the Case of Vessels sailing from any Port in *Scotland*, in His Majesty's Court of Exchequer at *Edinburgh*, for any Offences committed as aforesaid; and in the Case of Vessels sailing from any Port in *Ireland*, in His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Dublin*, for any Offences committed as aforesaid, by Action of Debt, Bill, Complaint, or Information, wherein no Effoign, Privilege, Wager of Law, or more than One Imparance shall be allowed; and in Default of Prosecution within the Time herein-before limited, no such Penalty or Forfeiture shall be afterwards recoverable, except in the Name of His Majesty's Attorney General in *England* or *Ireland*, or Advocate in *Scotland*, by Information in the respective Courts aforesaid, in which Case, the whole of such Penalty or Forfeiture shall belong to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors; and that all Penalties and Forfeitures, and Shares of Penalties and Forfeitures incurred as aforesaid, belonging to His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, shall be paid into the Hands of the Receiver General of His Majesty's Customs in *England*, *Ireland*, and *Scotland* respectively, for the Time being, and be appropriated and applied in the same Manner and to the same Uses and Purposes in *Great Britain*, as the Duties of Tonnage on Ships by any Act passed in this Session of Parliament, shall be directed to be appropriated and applied; and in *Ireland*, shall go to and be deemed and taken as Part of the Consolidated Fund of *Ireland*.

Recovery and Application of Penalties.

XIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in case any such Prosecution shall be commenced by any Person or Persons for the Recovery of any such Penalty or Forfeiture as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty's Attorney General in *England* and *Ireland*, or Advocate in *Scotland*, in case it shall appear to their Satisfaction respectively, that such Penalty or Forfeiture was incurred without any Intention of Fraud, to stop all further Proceedings on every such Prosecution, as well with respect to the Share of such Penalty or Forfeiture to which any such Person may claim to be entitled, as to the Share thereof belonging to His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, upon such Terms nevertheless, as to Costs and otherwise, as any such Attorney General or Advocate shall think reasonable.

His Majesty's Attorney General in *England* and *Ireland*, and Advocate in *Scotland*, may stay Proceedings on Prosecutions.