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### C A P. XXIV.

An Act for allowing, until the First Day of August One thousand eight hundred and eight, the Importation of certain Fish from Newfoundland and the Coast of Labrader, and for granting a Bounty [17th March 1807.] thereon.

THEREAS it is expedient to permit the Importation of Salted and Pickled Salmon, and Salted dried Cod Fish from the Island of Newfoundland and the Coast of Labrador, into the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and to allow, on such Importation, a Bounty on every Quintal or Hundred Weight of such Fish so imported; 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, from and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful to Salted Salmon import from the Island of Newfoundland or the Coast of Labrador, into or salted Cod the United Kingdom, any Salted or Pickled Salmon, or Salted dry Cod may be imported from Fish, having been taken and cured at the said Places, or either of them, Newfoundby British Subjects; any Law, Custom, or Usage to the contrary notwith- land, &c. standing.

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A Bounty of paid.

IL And be it further enacted, That upon the Importation of fuch Fish 3s. per Quin-tal or Cwt. of into the faid United Kingdom, there shall be paid and allowed to the Infuch Fish im. porter or Proprietor thereof, a Bounty of Three Shillings for every Quintal portedshallbe or Hundred Weight of such Fish, and so in Proportion for any greater or less Quantity; which Bounty shall be paid and allowed upon the following Conditions, that is to fay, Upon the Master and Mate of every Ship or Veffel in which fuch l'ish shall be imported, making Oath at the Port of Importation before the Collector or other Principal Officer of the Customs in Great Britain, or of the Revenue in Ireland, that all the faid Fish imported in the faid Ship or Vessel was taken and cured by His Majesty's Subjects carrying on the Fishery at the Island of Newfoundland or on the Coast of Labrador, as the Case may be, and upon such Fish being duly entered and regularly landed in the Presence of the proper Officer or Officers appointed for that Purpole.

Such Fish may be exported without Repayment of the Bounty.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That Salted Cod Fish and Salmon which shall have been imported under the Authority of this Act, and on which the Bounty above mentioned shall have been paid as aforesaid, may nevertheless be exported without being subject to the Repayment of the faid Bounty; any Thing in this Act or any other Law or Statute to the contrary thereof in anywife notwithstanding.

Bounty to be under the Management of the Commissioners of Cuitoms in Great Britain, and Commissionin Ireland.

IV: And be it further enacted, That fuch Bounty shall be under the Management of the respective Commissioners of the Customs in England and Scotland in Great Britain, and the Commissioners of the Revenue in Ircland, respectively, and shall be paid by the said Collector or other Principal Officer before whom such Oath is directed to be taken as aforesaid out of any Fund under the Management of the faid Commissioners respectively: Provided always, That before any Bounty shall be paid upon ersof Revenue any fuch Fish as aforesaid, the same shall be examined by Two indifferent and difinterested Persons, experienced in the Nature of such Fish, appointed for that Purpose at the Port of Importation, with the Approbation of the fail Commissioners respectively, which Persons, so appointed, together with the proper Officer or Officers who shall attend the Examination of the faid Fish, shall declare upon their Corporal Oathe, to be administered by the Collector or other Principal Officer at the Port of Importation, whether the said Fish or any Part thereof is or is not merchantable, and in case any such Fish or any Part thereof, shall not be merchantable, no Bounty shall be allowed or paid on the Importation thereof.

Act not to relating to Salt.

V. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this A& alter any Act contained shall extend, or be deemed or construed to extend, to vary, alter, or repeal any Act or Acts of Parliament, made for the Security of the Duties upon Salt, but that every Act or Acts of Parliament relating to fuch Duties, shall remain in force in like Manner, to all Intents and Puppuses, as if this Act had not been made.

Bounty not to he paid for a greater Quantity of Fish than is mentioned in Manifeft.

VI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That no Bounty shall be paid or allowed on the Importation of any fuch Fish, for or upon any greater Quantity or Weight thereof, than is or shall be contained and expressed in the Manisest required by Law upon the Importation thereof into any Port of the United Kingdom.

VII. And whereas it is expedient that the Bounty hereby granted to Doubly exthe Importers and Proprietors of Fish landed in the United Kingdonin tended to fach thould be extended to Milk the deline the United Kingdoning Fish landed in should be extended to l'ish landed in the Islands of Gvernser and Jersey The Guernsey and it therefore enacted, That upon the Importation of the like Sold of Jeffer, Fish into the Islands of Guernsey and Jessey respectively, from the Matte of Newfoundland and the Coast of Labrador, there shall be paid and allowed to the Importer or Proprietor thereof, the like Bounty of Three Shithing's for every Quintal or Hundred Weight of such Fish, and so in Proposition for any greater or less Quantity, which Bounty shall be paid upen the following Conditions, that is to fay, Upon the Master and Mate of every Ship or Veffel in which such Fish shall be imported, making Oath as the Port or Place of Importation before the proper Officer of the Custoins there (which Oath he is hereby authorized to administer) that all the said IMA imported in the faid Ship or Veffel was cured by His Majefty's Subjects carrying on the Fishery at Locofoundland and Coast of Labradar, as the Case may be, and has not since been landed in any Port of Place in Great Britain or Ireland, for the Purpose of receiving the Bounty payable-bylds Act upon such Fish when imported into Great Britain or Ireland respectively; and also upon such Fish being examined by Favoyindisterent and difinterested Persons residing in the said Islands respectively experienced in the Nature of such Fish, appointed for that Purpose by the Commissioners of His Majelly's Cultoms for the Time being in England, which Persons fo appointed, shall declare upon their Corporal Oaths, to be administered by luch proper Officer as aforesaid, whether the said Fish or any Part thereof is or is not merchantable, and in case any such Fish, or any Part thereof shall, upon such Declaration, appear not to be merchantable, no Bounty shall be allowed or paid on the Importation thereof.

VIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That Salted Cod Fish which may be and Salmon, upon which the Bounty above mentioned shall have been exported paid as aforesaid, may nevertheless be exported without being subject to the without Re-Repayment of the said Bounty, any Thing in this or in any other Act to the Edunty. contrary in anywife notwithstanding.

IX. And be it further enacted, That such Bounty shall be under the Such Bounty Management of the Commissioners of the Customs in England, and shall shall be under be paid out of any Duties of Customs under the Management of the said the Management of the faid the Management of the faid the Management of the Commissions. per Officer as aforefaid, that Oath hath been made before him that all the ers of Cuffaid Filh had been taken and cured by His Majesty's Subjects carrying on toms in the faid Fithery at Newfoundland or the Coast of Labradan, anthe Case may England; be, mentioning the Name of the Ship and the Time when the faid Fish was imported, together with the Name of the Importers or Proprietors thereof; and also that Oath had been made before him that such Fish was merchantable, and appears to such Officer to be duly entitled to the Bounty granted by this Act; and further, that the Quantityour Weight thereof does not exceed the Quantity or Weight contained and expressed in the Manifest of the Ship or Vessel in which such Fish was imported into the faid Island, respectively.

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Penalty 1001. for fraudulently obtaining Bounty.

X. And be it further enacted, That in case any Person shall in any Manner whatever, fraudulently obtain any Bounty upon the Importation of such Fish, or itall enter any such Fish for the Purpose of obtaining any Bounty thereon, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, then and in every such Case the Person or Persons so offending shall for each and every such Offence sorfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

How Bounty shall be paid and allowed.

XI. And be it further enacted, That the faid Bounty upon the importation of such Fish shall be paid and allowed in such and the like Manner and under such and the like Conditions, Rules, Regulations, Restrictions, Penalties, and Forseitures, as any Bounties on the Importation of the Produce of the British Fisheries may, by any Act or Acts of Parliament now in force, be paid and allowed, so far as the same are applicable thereto; and the several Clauses, Powers, and Directions therein contained shall, and are hereby directed and declared to extend to, and shall be respectively applied, practised and put in Execution, for or in respect of the Bounty hereby allowed, as far as the same are applicable thereto, in as shall and ample a Manner, to all Intents and Purposes whatever, as if all and every the said Clauses, Provisions, Powers, Directions, Penalties, and Forseitures were particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this present Act.

Continuance of Act.

XII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall continue in force until the First Day of Avgust One thousand eight hundred and eight.

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