

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO SECUNDO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

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For every Hundred Weight of Stone Bottles not exceeding Two Quarts Meaſure imported from any other Place beyond the Seas, an Exciſe Duty of Two Shillings and Sixpence:

And for every Hundred Weight of Stone Bottles not exceeding Two Quarts Meaſure made in *Great Britain*, Two Shillings and Sixpence.

Duties to be for a greater or leſs Quantity than a Cwt.

II. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Duties, and alſo the Drawbacks granted by this Act, ſhall in every Caſe be underſtood and deemed and taken to apply in the ſame Proportion, and after the ſame Rate to any greater or leſs Quantity than a Hundred Weight of Stone Bottles.

Importers of Stone Bottles to make Entry within a limited Time.

III. And be it further enacted, That within Twenty Days next after the Maſter or Purſer for that Voyage of the Ship or Veſſel wherein any ſuch Stone Bottles ſhall be imported or brought into *Great Britain*, ſhall have or ought to have made a juſt and true Entry or Report upon Oath of the Burthen, Contents, and Lading of ſuch Ship or Veſſel in purſuance of the Directions of an Act made in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled *An Act for preventing Frauds and regulating Abuſes in His Majeſty's Cuſtoms*, the Proprietor or Proprietors, Importer or Importers, Conſignee or Conſignees of any ſuch Stone Bottles ſhall make due Entry with the Collector of Exciſe in the Port or Place where ſuch Stone Bottles ſhall be ſo imported, of all ſuch Stone Bottles on board of ſuch Ship or Veſſel belonging to ſuch Proprietor or Proprietors, Importer or Importers, Conſignee or Conſignees, and ſhall then and before the landing of any ſuch Stone Bottles ſatisfy and pay the Duty by this Act impoſed for or in reſpect thereof, and ſhall alſo within ſuch Twenty Days land all ſuch Stone Bottles, on Pain to forfeit for every Neglect or Refuſal to make due Entry of ſuch Stone Bottles, or to pay the Duty for or in reſpect thereof, or to land the ſame according to the Directions of this Act, all ſuch Stone Bottles on board ſuch Ship or Veſſel belonging to ſuch Proprietor or Proprietors, Importer or Importers, Conſignee or Conſignees of the ſame, ſo neglecting or refuſing, and which ſhall and may be ſeized by any Officer or Officers of Exciſe.

Makers of Stone Bottles to make Entry of their Premiſes, &c.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles before he, ſhe, or they ſhall preſume to make or manufacture any Stone Bottles, ſhall make a true and particular Entry in Writing of every Houſe, Workhouſe, Millhouſe, Warehouſe, Shed, Shop, Room, and Place by him, her, or them reſpectively made uſe of or intended to be made uſe of for or in the wetting, ſoftening, grinding, preparing, mixing, or keeping of any Clay, Earth, or other Material or Materials commonly uſed or employed, or fit or proper to be made uſe of or employed for or in the making or manufacturing of Stone Bottles, or for or in the making or manufacturing, hardening, drying, baking, burning, or laying or keeping of any ſuch Bottles at the Office of Exciſe within the Compaſs or Limits whereof ſuch Houſe, Workhouſe, Millhouſe, Warehouſe, Shed, Shop, Room, or Place reſpectively ſhall be ſituate; and all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall alſo make a true and particular Entry in Writing of every Cone, Kiln, Stove, Vat, Ciſtern, Mill, Lathe, Trundle, or other Machine, Implement, Veſſel, or

or Utenſil by him, her, or them kept or made uſe of, or intended to be made uſe of for or in the making, manufacturing, turning, hardening, drying, baking, or burning of any ſuch Bottles at the Office of Exciſe within the Compaſs or Limits whereof, ſuch Cone, Kiln, Stove, Oven, Vat, Ciſtern, Mill, Lathe, Trundle, or other Machine, Implement, Veſſel, or Utenſil reſpectively, ſhall be ſituate, kept, or made uſe of reſpectively; and if any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall make uſe of any Houſe, Workhouſe, Millhouſe, Warehouſe, Shed, Shop, Room, or Place for or in the wetting, ſoftening, grinding, preparing, mixing, or keeping of any Clay, Earth, or other Material or Materials commonly uſed or employed, or fit or proper to be made uſe of or employed for or in the making or manufacturing of Stone Bottles, or for or in the making, manufacturing, hardening, drying, baking, burning, laying, or keeping of any ſuch Bottles without having made thereof ſuch Entry as in that Behalf aforeſaid, or ſhall make uſe of any Cone, Kiln, Stove, Oven, Vat, Ciſtern, Mill, Lathe, Trundle, or other Machine, Implement, Veſſel, or Utenſil for or in the making, manufacturing, turning, hardening, drying, baking, burning, or glazing of any Stone Bottles without having made thereof ſuch Entry as in that Behalf aforeſaid, the Maker or Makers ſo offending ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence forfeit and loſe the Sum of One hundred Pounds, together with all the Stone Bottles and other Material and Materials aforeſaid, which ſhall at any Time be found in any ſuch Houſe, Workhouſe, Millhouſe, Warehouſe, Shed, Shop, Room, or Place, or in or on any ſuch Cone, Kiln, Stove, Oven, Vat, Ciſtern, Veſſel, or Utenſil reſpectively, whereof no ſuch Entry as is in that Behalf aforeſaid ſhall be made, and the ſame ſhall and may be ſeized by any Officer or Officers of Exciſe.

Penalty for not making Entry.

V. And be it further enacted, That ſuch of the Duties by this Act impoſed as ſhall ariſe in that Part of *Great Britain* called *England* ſhall be under the Management of the Commiſſioners of Exciſe in *England* for the Time being; and ſuch thereof as ſhall ariſe in that Part of *Great Britain* called *Scotland* ſhall be under the Management of the Commiſſioners of Exciſe in *Scotland* for the Time being.

Duties to be under the Management of the Commiſſioners of Exciſe.

VI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Officers of Exciſe, or any or either of them, from Time to Time, and at all Times between the Hours of Five in the Morning and Eleven at Night, without the Preſence of a Conſtable or other lawful Officer of the Peace, and between the Hours of Eleven at Night and Five in the Morning, then in the Preſence of a Conſtable or other lawful Officer of the Peace, to enter into all and every the Houſes, Workhouſes, Millhouſes, Warehouſes, Sheds, Shops, Rooms, and other Places entered or made uſe of by any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles for or in the making, manufacturing, hardening, drying, baking, burning, laying, or keeping of any Stone Bottles, or for or in the wetting, ſoftening, grinding, preparing, or keeping of any Clay, Earth, or other Material or Materials commonly uſed or employed, or fit or proper to be made uſe of or employed in the making or manufacturing of Stone Bottles, and by weighing, tale, or otherwiſe, as to ſuch Officer or Officers ſhall ſeem meet, to take an Account of the Weights, Kinds, and Quantities of the Stone Bottles which ſhall have been made, manufactured, hardened, dried, baked, burnt, or

Officers to enter the Premiſes of Makers of Stone Bottles and take an Account of the Weight, Kind, and Quantity.

be found in the Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion of ſuch Maker of Stone Bottles from Time to Time.

Notice to be given to Officers before putting of Stone Bottles into Kilns, &c. on Penalty.

VII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles being deſirous to put or depoſit any Stone Bottles in any Kiln, Stove, or Oven for the Purpoſe of baking or burning the ſame, ſhall by the Space of Six Hours next before the Beginning to put or depoſit any ſuch Stone Bottles into or in any ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven, give to the Officer of Exciſe under whoſe Survey he, ſhe, or they ſhall then be, a Notice in Writing of his, her, or their Intention ſo to do, ſpecifying in ſuch Notice the particular Kiln, Stove, or Oven into or in which ſuch Stone Bottles are intended to be put or depoſited, and the particular Time and Hour at which it is intended ſo to put or depoſit the ſame; and if any ſuch Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall neglect or refuſe to begin to put and depoſit ſuch Stone Bottles ſpecified in ſuch Notice in the Kiln, Stove, or Oven alſo ſpecified in ſuch Notice within One Hour after the Time therein in that Behalf mentioned, then ſuch Notice ſhall be void, and ſuch Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall give the like and a freſh Notice in Writing to ſuch Officer before he, ſhe, or they ſhall put or depoſit any Stone Bottles in any ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven; and if any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall put or depoſit any Stone Bottles into or in any Kiln, Stove, or Oven without having given ſuch previous Notice as in that Behalf aforeſaid, he, ſhe, or they ſhall for every ſuch Offence forfeit the Sum of Fifty Pounds.

A Declaration of the Number, Size, &c. of the Stone Bottles to be delivered to the proper Officer before ſtopping up the Kiln, &c.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That before any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall begin to cloſe or ſtop up any Kiln, Stove, or Oven containing any Stone Bottles, he, ſhe, or they ſhall deliver to the proper Officer of Exciſe a Declaration in Writing ſpecifying the true Numbers of the Stone Bottles of each particular Size, Sort, Kind, or Denomination; that is to ſay, the Names by which the Stone Bottles of each particular Sort or Kind are commonly called or known, with the reputed Meaſure of ſuch Stone Bottles of each particular Size, and the Number thereof reſpectively put, laid, or depoſited and contained in each and every ſuch Kiln, Stove, and Oven reſpectively; and if any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall neglect or refuſe to deliver ſuch Declaration, every ſuch Maker or Makers ſo offending ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence forfeit and loſe the Sum of Fifty Pounds: Provided always nevertheleſs, that no Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall incur or be liable to the ſaid laſt mentioned Penalty for or by reaſon of any Declaration by him, her, or them delivered, as and for ſuch Declaration as aforeſaid, not ſpecifying the true Numbers of the Stone Bottles of any particular Size, Sort, Kind, or Denomination reſpectively laid, put, placed, or depoſited and contained in any ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven, provided the Number of the Stone Bottles of that particular Kind or Denomination reſpectively ſpecified in ſuch Declaration ſo delivered ſhall not vary more than at and after the Rate of Five *per Centum* from the true Numbers of the Stone Bottles of ſuch particular Size, Sort, or Kind reſpectively laid, put, placed, or depoſited and contained in ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven; any Thing in this Act contained to the contrary in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

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Makers to give Notice for lighting Fires to heat Kilns, &c. on Penalty.

X. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall, and he, ſhe, and they is and are hereby required, at his and their own Expences, to find and provide, or erect, build, make, and conſtruct a good, ſufficient, and convenient weighing Room in or adjoining to each Kiln, Stove, and Oven by him, her, or them made uſe of for the burning of Stone Bottles.

Makers to provide a convenient Weighing Room.

XI. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall and he, ſhe, and they is and are hereby required to keep ſufficient and juſt Scales and Weights at the Place or Places where he, ſhe, or they ſhall make or manufacture Stone Bottles, and alſo permit and ſuffer any Officer or Officers of Exciſe to uſe the ſame for the Purpoſe of weighing and taking an Account of, and re-weighing, the Stone Bottles which ſhall at any Time be made or manufactured by or be in the Poſſeſſion of ſuch Maker or Makers; and if any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall neglect to keep ſuch Scales and Weights or either of them, or ſhall not permit or ſuffer any Officer or Officers of Exciſe to uſe the ſame, or any of them, ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds; and if any ſuch Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall in the weighing or re-weighing of any Stone Bottles make uſe of, or cauſe or procure or ſuffer to be made uſe of any falſe, unjuſt, or inſufficient Scales or Weights, or ſhall practiſe any Art, Device, or Contrivance by which any ſuch Officer

Makers required to keep juſt Scales and Weights, &c.

ſhall or may be prevented or hindered from or delayed in taking the juſt and true Weight of any ſuch Stone Bottles, then and in every ſuch Caſe ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds, and all ſuch falſe, unjuſt, or inſufficient Scales and Weights reſpectively, and the ſame ſhall and may be ſeized by any Officer or Officers of Exciſe.

Makers to give Notice to Officer before they draw any Stone Bottles from the Kiln, &c.

XII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles being deſirous to draw or take any Stone Bottles from or out of any Kiln, Stove, or Oven to him, her, or them belonging, ſhall by the Space of Twelve Hours next before the beginning to draw or take any ſuch Stone Bottles from or out of any ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven given to the Officer of Exciſe under whoſe Survey he, ſhe, or they ſhall then be, a Notice in Writing of his, her, or their Intention ſo to do, ſpecifying the particular Kiln, Stove, or Oven from or out of which ſuch Stone Bottles are intended to be drawn or taken, and the particular Time and Hour at which it is intended to be given, to draw or take the ſame from or out of ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven; and if any Officer or Officers of Exciſe ſhall attend at the Time mentioned in ſuch Notice, ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall, when and ſo ſoon as ſuch Officer or Officers ſhall ſo attend, immediately and with a proper and ſufficient Number of his, her, and their Workmen or others begin to draw and take ſuch Stone Bottles from and out of ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven, and ſhall without any unneceſſary Delay or Interruption, and with all due Diligence and Diſpatch, and with a proper and ſufficient Number of his, her, or their Workmen or Servants, proceed and continue in ſuch drawing and taking of ſuch Stone Bottles from and out of ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven, until the whole of ſuch Stone Bottles ſhall be drawn and taken from and out of ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven reſpectively; and all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall, when and ſo ſoon as any Stone Bottles not exceeding Two Quarts Meaſure ſhall be drawn or taken from or out of his, her, or their Kiln, Stove, or Oven, remove, carry, and convey, or cauſe the ſame and every Part thereof to be removed, carried, and conveyed directly into the ſaid weighing Room, and ſhall forthwith lay, place, put, and depoſit, or cauſe or procure the ſame and every Part thereof to be laid, put, placed, or depoſited in the ſaid weighing Room, and ſhall forthwith lay, put, and place the ſame in the ſaid weighing Room, in ſuch Manner and Form that all the ſaid laſt-mentioned Stone Bottles may, ſo far as the Nature of the Caſe will admit, be the moſt eaſily and ſatisfactorily viewed, inſpected, and examined, and the Numbers of the ſeveral Sizes, Sorts, Kinds, and Denominations of ſuch laſt-mentioned Stone Bottles reſpectively be judged of and aſcertained by any Officer or Officers of Exciſe; and ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall immediately on the whole of ſuch laſt-mentioned Stone Bottles being ſo removed, carried, and conveyed into the ſaid weighing Room, and put and placed as aforeſaid, and if the proper Officer or Officers of Exciſe ſhall then be in Attendance, and if not, then on being required by ſuch Officer or Officers ſo to do, proceed to weigh, and ſhall weigh the whole and every Part of ſuch laſt-mentioned Stone Bottles in the ſaid weighing Room with ſuch Scales and Weights as aforeſaid, in the Preſence of ſuch Officer; and ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall be charged with and pay the Duty for and in reſpect of all ſuch laſt-mentioned Stone Bottles as are unbroken, according to ſuch Weight;

Stone Bottles when drawn to be conveyed to the Weighing Room, and there inſpected and weighed.

and

and if any ſuch Maker or Makers having given ſuch Notice, and begun to draw or take any ſuch Stone Bottles from or out of his, her, or their Kiln, Stove, or Oven, ſhall not, if any Officer or Officers of Exciſe ſhall ſo attend at the Time ſpecified in ſuch Notice, without any unneceſſary Delay or Interruption, and with all due Diligence and Diſpatch, and with a proper and ſufficient Number of his, her, or their Workmen or Servants, proceed and continue in ſuch drawing and taking of ſuch Stone Bottles from and out of ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven until the whole of ſuch Stone Bottles ſhall be drawn and taken from and out of ſuch Kiln, Stove, or Oven reſpectively; or if any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall not, as his, her, or their Stone Bottles not exceeding Two Quarts Meaſure ſhall be drawn or taken from or out of his, her, or their Kiln, Stove, or Oven reſpectively, remove, carry, and convey the ſame and every Part thereof, or cauſe the ſame and every Part thereof to be removed, carried, and conveyed directly into the ſaid weighing Room, or ſhall not lay, put, place, and depoſit, or cauſe or procure the ſame or any Part thereof to be laid, put, placed, or depoſited in the ſaid weighing Room, or ſhall not forthwith lay, put, and place the ſame or any Part thereof in the ſaid weighing Room in ſuch Manner and Form as is herein-before in that Behalf directed and required, or if ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall not proceed to weigh, and weigh the Whole and every Part of ſuch laſt-mentioned Stone Bottles as herein-before in that Behalf directed and required, every ſuch Maker and Makers ſo offending ſhall forfeit and loſe the Sum of One hundred Pounds; and if any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall neglect or refuſe to begin to draw or take his, her, or their Stone Bottles from or out of his, her, or their Kiln, Stove, or Oven immediately at the Time mentioned in ſuch Notice, or within One Hour after that Time, ſuch Notice ſhall be void, and ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall give the like and a freſh Notice in Writing to ſuch Officer: Provided always, that no Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall be at Liberty to give any ſuch Notice to draw or take any Stone Bottles from or out of any Kiln, Stove, or Oven to him, her, or them belonging, except in the Day-time, and that between the Hours of Six in the Morning and Six in the Afternoon, and that every Notice given for the drawing or taking any ſuch Stone Bottles from or out of any Kiln, Stove, or Oven at any Hour or Time other than in the Day-time, and that between the Hours of Six in the Morning and Six in the Afternoon, ſhall and the ſame is hereby declared to be null and void to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever.

Penalty on Makers for Neglect herein.

Regulating the Notice to be given for Drawing.

XIII. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That in the weighing as aforeſaid of any ſuch Stone Bottles the Turn of the Scale ſhall be given in Favour of the Crown, and in lieu thereof there ſhall be allowed to ſuch Maker and Makers One Pound Weight upon each and every One hundred Pounds of ſuch Stone Bottles ſo weighed.

Allowance for the Turn of the Scale in Favour of the Crown.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That all Stone Bottles chargeable with the ſaid Duties by this Act impoſed, or any of them, ſhall be from Time to Time weighed, taken an Account of, and charged with the ſaid Duties by the proper Officer of Exciſe when and ſo ſoon as the ſame ſhall be baked or burned; and if any Maker or Makers of

Stone Bottles to be charged with Duty as ſoon as baked.

Penalty on obſtructing Officers 100l.

Stone Bottles, or his, her, or their Workmen or Servants, or other Perſon or Perſons, ſhall moleſt, hinder, or obſtruct any Officer of Exciſe in weighing or taking an Account of ſuch Stone Bottles, he, ſhe, or they ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence forfeit and loſe the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

Stone Bottles may be re-weighed, and for which Purpoſe Makers ſhall not remove them from the Weighing Room for Six Hours.

XV. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles, whoſe Stone Bottles not exceeding Two Quarts Meaſure ſhall have been weighed by any Officer or Officers of Exciſe, ſhall, for the full Space of Six Hours after the ſame ſhall have been ſo weighed, keep and continue ſuch Stone Bottles in the ſaid weighing Room, and in the ſame State and Poſition in which the ſame were left by the ſurveying Officer unleſs the ſame ſhall have been ſooner re-weighed by the reſpective Surveyors or Superviſors of Exciſe, to the End that the ſaid Surveyors or Superviſors reſpectively may have an Opportunity to weigh or re-weigh the ſame; and the ſaid reſpective Surveyors or Superviſors are hereby authorized and empowered to weigh or re-weigh all ſuch Stone Bottles, and if upon the Re-weighing thereof any additional Weight ſhall be diſcovered or found, ſuch additional Weight of Stone Bottles ſhall be chargeable and charged with the reſpective Duties by this Act impoſed for ſuch Stone Bottles reſpectively; and if any ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall neglect or refuſe ſo to keep or continue any ſuch Stone Bottles which ſhall have been weighed by the proper Officer or Officers of Exciſe, or ſhall remove or convey, or cauſe or procure or ſuffer to be removed or conveyed from or out of ſuch weighing Room as aforeſaid, any Stone Bottles before the End or Expiration of Six Hours next after the ſame ſhall have been ſo weighed as aforeſaid by the proper Officer of Exciſe, unleſs the ſame ſhall have been ſooner re-weighed by the reſpective Surveyors or Superviſors of Exciſe, the Perſon or Perſons ſo offending ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence forfeit and loſe the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

Makers and their Servants to aſſiſt Officers in weighing, &c. on Penalty of 100l.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall, and ſo often as he, ſhe, or they ſhall be thereunto required by the Officer or Officers of Exciſe under whoſe Survey he, ſhe, or they ſhall then be, or by the reſpective Surveyor or Surveyors, or Superviſor or Superviſors of Exciſe, with a proper and ſufficient Number of his, her, or their Workmen or Servants, aid and aſſiſt to the utmoſt of his, her, or their Power ſuch Officer or Officers, or Surveyor or Surveyors, or Superviſor or Superviſors in weighing and taking an Account or in re-weighing and taking an Account of all Stone Bottles of ſuch Maker or Makers, on Pain of forfeiting for every Neglect or Refuſal the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

Penalty on Makers removing Bottles from Kilns, &c. before they are weighed.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That if any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall convey away Stone Bottle or Stone Bottles not exceeding Two Quarts Meaſure from any Kiln, Stove, or Oven before the proper Officer of Exciſe ſhall have weighed the ſame, or ſhall neglect or refuſe to produce any ſuch Stone Bottles to ſuch Officer that he may weigh the ſame according to the Directions of this Act, or if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall fraudulently depoſit, hide, or conceal any ſuch Stone Bottle or Stone Bottles with Intent to defraud His Majeſty of any of the Duties by this

Act impoſed, all and every ſuch Maker or Makers or other Perſon or Perſons ſo offending ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence forfeit and loſe the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall from Time to Time and at all Times keep all Stone Bottles in his, her, or their Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion, and which ſhall not have been weighed by the Officer of Exciſe according to the Directions of this Act ſeparate and apart from all Stone Bottles which ſhall have been weighed by ſuch Officer or Officers, upon Pain of forfeiting for every ſuch Offence the Sum of One hundred Pounds. Penalty for not keeping Stone Bottles that have not been weighed from thoſe that have been weighed.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall once in every Six Weeks make a true Entry in Writing at the Office of Exciſe within the Limits whereof ſuch Stone Bottles ſhall be made or manufactured of all the Stone Bottles not exceeding Two Quarts Meaſure by him, her, or them made or manufactured within ſuch Six Weeks reſpectively, and ſuch Entries ſhall contain the true Numbers and Sorts or Kinds of the ſaid Stone Bottles, with the reputed Meaſures of each particular Sort, Kind, or Denomination of ſuch Stone Bottles, with the aggregate Weight of the total Number of ſuch Stone Bottles of each ſuch Sort, Kind, or Denomination by ſuch Maker or Makers ſo made or manufactured within ſuch Six Weeks, on Pain of forfeiting for every Neglect to make ſuch Entry the Sum of One hundred Pounds; which Entry ſhall be verified upon Oath by the Maker or Makers by or for whom ſuch Stone Bottles reſpectively ſhall have been made or manufactured, or his, her, or their chief Workman or Servant employed in making or manufacturing the ſame: Provided always nevertheleſs, that no ſuch Maker or Makers ſhall be obliged to go further than the Market Town next to the Place where ſuch Stone Bottles reſpectively ſhall be made for the making of any ſuch Entry as aforeſaid; which Oaths ſhall and may be adminiſtered by the proper Collector, Surveyor, or Superviſor of Exciſe without any Fee or Charge for adminiſtering the ſame. Makers to make Entry every Six Weeks of the Stone Bottles manufactured by them. Penalty.

XX. And be it further enacted, That all and every Maker and Makers of Stone Bottles ſhall from Time to Time within Six Weeks after he, ſhe, or they ſhall make or ought to have made ſuch Entry of ſuch Stone Bottles reſpectively by him, her, or them made or manufactured as aforeſaid, pay and clear off all the Duties of Exciſe for all ſuch Stone Bottles by or for him, her, or them reſpectively made or manufactured, upon Pain of forfeiting Double the Amount of ſuch Duties. Makers to clear off the Duties within Six Weeks after the Time of Entry.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for any Officer or Officers of Exciſe, and all ſuch Officers are hereby authorized and empowered to take at any Time or Times a Sample or Samples of any Stone Bottles or other Earthen Ware, either baked or unbaked, or burnt or unburnt, at any Time in the Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion of any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles, paying for the ſame, if demanded, the Value or Wholeſale Price thereof; and in caſe any Maker or Makers of Penalty. Officers may take Samples of Stone Bottles.

of Stone Bottles shall refuse to permit any such Officer or Officers to take such Sample or Samples as aforesaid, upon his, her, or their tendering such Price for the same (if demanded) such Maker or Makers so offending shall for each and every such Offence forfeit and lose the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

Stone Bottles concealed to be forfeited, with the Package, &c. and the Person in whose Possession found to forfeit 50*l.*

Places suspected to be searched.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Stone Bottles shall be deposited, hid, or concealed in any Place or Places whatsoever, with an Intent to defraud His Majesty of any of the Duties by this Act imposed, all such Stone Bottles shall be forfeited, together with the Packages containing the same respectively, and the same respectively shall and may be seized by any Officer or Officers of Excise, and the Person or Persons in whose Custody or Possession the same shall be found shall forfeit and lose the Sum of Fifty Pounds; and the better to enable such Officer or Officers to discover such Stone Bottles so forfeited, if any such Officer or Officers shall have Cause to suspect that any such Stone Bottles shall be so deposited, hid, or concealed in any Place or Places whatsoever, then and in every such Case, if such Place or Places shall be within the Limits of the Chief Office of Excise in *London*, upon Oath made by such Officer or Officers before the Commissioners of Excise in *England* for the Time being, or any Two or more of them, or before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace of the County, City, or Liberty where such Place or Places shall be in any Part of *Great Britain*, upon Oath made by such Officer or Officers before such Justice or Justices of the Peace for the County, Riding, Shire, Division, or Place where such Officer or Officers shall suspect the same to be deposited, hid, or concealed, setting forth the Ground of his or their Suspicion, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners or any Two or more of them, or the Justice or Justices of the Peace respectively, as the Case may require, before whom such Oath shall be made, if he or they shall judge it reasonable, by special Warrant or Warrants under his and their respective Hands and Seals to authorize and empower such Officer or Officers by Day or by Night, (but if in the Night, then in the Presence of a Constable or other lawful Officer of the Peace), to enter into all and every such Place and Places where he or they shall so suspect such Stone Bottles to be so deposited, hid, or concealed, and to seize and carry away all such Stone Bottles which he or they shall then and there find so forfeited, together with the Packages containing the same.

Penalty on Makers for making use of any concealed Place.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles shall for the making, manufacturing, hardening, drying, baking, burning, laying, or keeping of any Stone Bottles, make use of any private or concealed Cone, Kiln, Stove, or Oven, or any private or concealed Vat, Cistern, Mill, Lathe, Trundle, or other Machine, Implement, Utensil, or Place whatsoever, other than his, her, or their known Cone or Cones, Kiln or Kilns, Stove or Stoves, Oven or Ovens, Vat or Vats, Cistern or Cisterns, Mill or Mills, Lathe or Lathes, Trundle or Trundles, or other Machine or Machines, Implement or Implements, Vessel or Vessels, Utensil or Utensils, or Place or Places entered for that Purpose, all and every such Maker or Makers shall for each and every such Offence forfeit and lose the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That every Bottle made of Earthen or Stone Ware, or of Earth or Clay, the Mouth or Orifice of which ſhall not exceed in Diameter the Diameter of the Neck thereof by more than One Quarter of an Inch, and which ſhall not exceed Two Quarts in Meaſure, and no other, ſhall be deemed and taken to be a Stone Bottle within the Meaning of this Act. Deſcription of a Stone Bottle.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That upon the Exportation of any Stone Bottles made in *Great Britain*, or made in *Ireland* and imported into *Great Britain*, for and in reſpect whereof the Duties by this Act impoſed ſhall have been paid, to any Port or Place beyond the Seas, except the Iſlands of *Faro* and *Ferro*, under and ſubject to the Rules, Regulations, Reſtrictions, and Proviſions for or in reſpect of the Exportation of Glaſs, in order to obtain the Drawback, ſo far as the ſame can or may be applied thereto, contained, provided, ſettled, or eſtabliſhed in and by an Act made in the Twenty-ſixth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty King *George* the Third, among other Things "for the Amendment of ſe-"veral Laws relating to the Duties under the Management of the Com-"miſſioners of Exciſe," there ſhall be paid and allowed an Exciſe Drawback of Two Shillings and Sixpence for every Hundred Weight, and ſo in Proportion for any greater or leſs Quantity of ſuch Stone Bottles; and all and ſingular the ſaid Rules, Regulations, Reſtrictions, and Proviſions ſhall be uſed, applied, and put in Execution for and in reſpect of any ſuch Stone Bottles, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purpoſes as if all and ſingular the ſaid Rules, Regulations, Reſtrictions, and Proviſions had been repeated in the Body of this Act, and been thereby re-enacted for and in reſpect of and made applicable to the Exportation of ſuch Stone Bottles, in order to obtain the Drawback by this Act granted or allowed, ſave and except that in lieu and inſtead of the Oath required by the ſaid Act, that the Exporter believes the Duties on the Materials have been fully paid, the Exporter ſhall make Oath that he believes that the Duties by this Act impoſed had been fully paid for or in reſpect of ſuch Bottles ſo to be exported. Drawback allowed on Exportation.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That all the Stone Bottles and all the Materials and Implements and Utenſils for the making thereof in the Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion of any Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles, or of any Perſon or Perſons to the Uſe of or in Truſt for any ſuch Maker or Makers, ſhall be liable and ſubject to and the ſame reſpectively are hereby made chargeable with all the Debts and Duties for Stone Bottles made or manufactured, in Arrear and owing by ſuch Maker or Makers for any Stone Bottles made by him, her, or them, or in his, her, or their Houſe, Workhouſe, Millhouſe, Warehouſe, Shed, Shop, Room, or other Place, and ſhall alſo be ſubject and liable to ſatisfy all Penalties and Forfeitures incurred by ſuch Maker or Makers or other Perſon or Perſons uſing ſuch Houſe, Workhouſe, Millhouſe, Warehouſe, Shed, Shop, Room, or other Place, for any Offence againſt this Act; and it ſhall and may be lawful in all ſuch Caſes to levy ſuch Debts, Duties, and Penalties on ſuch Stone Bottles, Materials, and Utenſils, or any of them, and to uſe ſuch Proceedings as may be lawfully done in relation to Stone Bottles, in caſe the Debtors or Offenders were the true and lawful Owners of the ſame. Stone Bottles and Materials anſwerable for the Duties.

XXVII. And

Makers not to act as Juſtices in the Execution of this Act.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That no Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, being a Maker or Makers of Stone Bottles, or who is or ſhall be in any wiſe intereſted or concerned in the Trade or Buſineſs of making, manufacturing, or dealing in Stone Bottles, ſhall, during ſuch Time as he or they ſhall be ſo intereſted or concerned in the Trade or Buſineſs of making, manufacturing, or dealing in Stone Bottles, act as a Juſtice of the Peace in any Matter or Thing whatſoever which ſhall in anywiſe concern the Execution of the Powers or Authorities given or granted by this Act; and if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, preſume to exerciſe any ſuch Powers or Authorities, or do any Act hereby authorized to be done by any Juſtice or Juſtices of the Peace, all ſuch Acts ſo executed or done by ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall be utterly null and void to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever.

Penalty on Perſons obſtructing Officers.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever ſhall aſſault, reſiſt, oppoſe, moleſt, obſtruct, or hinder any Officer or Officers of Exciſe in the due Execution of this Act, or of any of the Powers or Authorities hereby given or granted to any ſuch Officer or Officers, or ſhall by Force or Violence after any ſuch Officer or Officers ſhall have ſeized any Stone Bottles, or any Clay, Earth, or other Material or Materials aforeſaid, or any Vat, Ciſtern, Mill, Lathe, Trundle, or other Machine, Implement, Veſſel, or Utenſil aforeſaid, as forfeited by virtue of this Act, reſcue or cauſe to be reſcued any ſuch Stone Bottles, or any Clay, Earth, or other Material or Materials aforeſaid, or any Vat, Ciſtern, Mill, Lathe, Trundle, or other Machine, Implement, Veſſel, or Utenſil aforeſaid, or ſhall attempt or endeavour ſo to do, all and every ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo offending ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence forfeit and loſe the Sum of Two hundred Pounds.

Penalty on offering Bribes to Officers.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever ſhall give or offer to give any Bribe, Recompence, or Reward whatſoever to any Officer or Officers of Exciſe, in order to corrupt, perſuade, or prevail upon any ſuch Officer or Officers either to do or perform any Act or Acts, Thing or Things whatſoever contrary to the Duty of ſuch Officer or Officers in the Execution of this Act, or to neglect or omit to do or perform any Act or Acts, Thing or Things whatſoever belonging or appertaining to the Buſineſs or Duty of ſuch Officer or Officers in the Execution of this Act, or to connive at or conceal any Fraud or Frauds relating to any of the Duties by this Act impoſed, or not to diſcover the ſame, all and every ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo offending ſhall for each and every ſuch Offence (whether ſuch Offer or Propoſal be accepted or not) forfeit the Sum of Five hundred Pounds.

Perſons taking falſe Oath liable to the Pains of Perjury.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be convicted of wilfully taking a falſe Oath in any Caſe in which an Oath is required to be taken by virtue of this Act ſhall be liable to the Pains and Penalties to which Perſons are liable for wilful and corrupt Perjury.

Penalties how to be levied.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That all Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures impoſed by this Act ſhall be ſued for, recovered, levied, or mitigated,

mitigated, by such Ways, Means, or Methods as any Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture may be sued for, recovered, levied, or mitigated by any Law or Laws of Excise, or by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, or in the Court of Exchequer in *Scotland* respectively; and that One Moiety of every such Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture shall be to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety to him, her, or them who shall inform, discover, or sue for the same.

Money to be paid into the Exchequer.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That all the Monies arising by the Duties by this Act imposed, (the necessary Charges of raising and accounting for the same excepted), shall from Time to Time be paid into the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster*, and the said Monies so paid into the said Receipt of Exchequer as aforesaid shall be carried to and made Part of the Fund called the Consolidated Fund.

Separate Account of the Duty to be kept.

XXXIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer for the Time being, shall, for the Period of Ten Years from the Commencement of this Act, cause a separate and distinct Account of the Duty of Excise granted by this Act to be prepared and annually laid before Parliament, pursuant to an Act passed in the Forty-second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for directing certain Public Accounts to be laid annually before Parliament, and for discontinuing other Forms of Accounts now in use*, and the Monies arising from the said Duties shall be deemed a permanent Increase to the Public Revenue of *Great Britain*, for the Purpose of defraying any increased Charge occasioned by any Loan made or Stock created by Authority of any Act of Parliament passed or to be passed in the present Session of Parliament. 42 G. 3. c. 70.

Powers of Acts relating to the Duty of Excise extended to this Act.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Powers, Directions, Rules, Penalties, Forfeitures, Clauses, Matters, and Things which in and by an Act made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled *An Act for taking away the Court of Wards and Liveries, and Tenures* in Capite, *and by Knights Service and Purveyance, and for settling a Revenue upon His Majesty in lieu thereof*, or by any other Law or Laws now in force relating to His Majesty's Revenue of Excise are provided or established for managing, raising, levying, collecting, mitigating, recovering, adjudging, or ascertaining the Duties thereby imposed or any of them, shall be practised, used, and put in Execution in and for the managing, raising, levying, collecting, mitigating, recovering, and paying the Duties of Excise by this Act imposed, and for preventing, detecting, and punishing Frauds relating thereto, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if all and every the said Powers, Rules, Directions, Penalties, Forfeitures, Clauses, Matters, and Things were particularly repeated and re-enacted in this present Act.

Commencement of Act.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take Effect as to all such Matters and Things therein contained, in respect whereof no special Commencement is hereby directed or provided, from and immediately after the First Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred and twelve.

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