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C A P. LXVI.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Customs. [9th *September* 1835.]

3 & 4 W. 4. c. 56.

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Third and Fourth Years of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for granting Duties of Customs;* and it is expedient to alter and amend the same in manner herein-after provided: 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,

Regulating the Duty on Coffee and the other Articles herein-mentioned.

That from and after the passing of this Act, instead of the Duties now payable under the said Act upon Coffee the Produce of the *British* Possessions within the Limits of the *East India* Company's Charter, and imported from such Possessions, and upon Coffee the Produce of *Sierra Leone*, and imported from thence, there shall be paid for every Pound of such Coffee a Duty of Sixpence; and instead of the Duty now payable under the said Act upon rough Rice or Paddy, the Produce of the West Coast of *Africa*, imported from a *British* Possession on that Coast, there shall be paid for every Bushel of such Rice a Duty of One Penny; and that for every Hundred Weight of Pearl or Pot Ashes of Foreign Production imported from a *British* Possession in *Europe* there shall be paid a Duty of Six Shillings; any thing in the said Act permitting such Ashes to be so imported Duty-free to the contrary notwithstanding.

Regulating the Entry of Coffee the Produce of British Possessions in the East Indies.

II. And be it further enacted, That no Coffee shall be entered as being the Produce of any *British* Possession within the Limits of the *East India* Company's Charter unless the Master of the Ship importing the same shall have delivered to the Collector or Controller a Certificate under the Hand and Seal of the proper Officer at the Place where such Coffee was taken on board, testifying that a Declaration in Writing had been made and signed before him (the Contents of which he had examined and believed to be true) by the Shipper of such Coffee, that the same was really and *bond fide* the Produce of some such *British* Possession, nor unless such Master shall also make and subscribe a Declaration before the Collector or Controller that such Certificate was received by him at the Place where such Coffee was taken on board, and that the Coffee so imported is the same as is mentioned therein.

Duties to be collected as Duties imposed by former Act.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Duties imposed by this Act shall be raised, levied, collected and paid unto His Majesty in like Manner as if such Duties had been imposed by the said former Act, and had been set forth in the Table of Duties thereunto annexed.

Proviso in 3 & 4 W. 4. c. 56., as to Damage done to Goods warehoused, not to extend to Damage by Fire.

IV. And whereas by another Act passed in the said Third and Fourth Years of His Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for the warehousing of Goods*, it is provided that Damage occasioned by Embezzlement, Waste, Spoil, or Destruction of any Goods or Merchandize warehoused in Warehouses under the Authority of the said Act, by or through any wilful Misconduct of any Officer or Officers of Customs or Excise, shall be repaid and made good to the Importer, Consignee, or Proprietor, by the Commissioners of Customs or Excise, under such Orders, Regulations, and Directions as shall be for that Purpose made and given by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three of them; and it is expedient to amend the said Act in this respect; be it therefore enacted, That nothing in the said Act contained shall extend or be deemed or taken to extend to any Damage or Loss occasioned by Fire.

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