ANNO QUADRAGESIMO QUINTO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. 23.

An Act for amending an Act, passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of His present Majesty, to amend and render more effectual an Act, made in the Thirty-first Year of His late Majesty, for the due making of Bread, and to regulate the Price and Assize thereof, and to punish Persons who shall adulterate Meal, Flour, or Bread, so far as the same relates to the Assize and making of Bread, to be sold in the City of *London* and the Liberties thereof, and within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, and Ten Miles of the Royal Exchange. [11th *April* 1805.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act, made in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King* George *the Second, intituled,* '*An Act for the due making of Bread, and to regulate the Price and Assize thereof, and to punish Persons who shall adulterate Meal, Flour, or Bread, so far as the same relates to the Assize and making of Bread, to be sold in the City of* London *and Liberties thereof, and within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, and within Ten Miles of the* Royal Exchange: And whereas by 37 G. 3. c. 98.

reaſon of the great Increaſe that has taken place in the ſeveral Articles uſed in the making and baking of Bread, ſince the paſſing of the ſaid Act, it is become expedient that the Makers and Bakers of Bread for Sale, within the City of *London* and Liberties thereof, and within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, and within Ten Miles of the Royal Exchange, ſhould receive a greater Allowance for their Charges, Labour, Pains, Livelihood, and Profit, than is given to them by the ſaid Act; 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 Time to Time, when and ſo often as the Court of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London*, or the Lord Mayor of the ſaid City for the Time being, ſhall ſet the Aſſize of Bread, in Execution of the ſaid Act made in the Thirty-ſeventh Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, the Allowance made to the Baker, when the Aſſize ſhall be ſet from the Average Price of Wheat, ſhall be Sixteen Shillings *per* Quarter or Two Shillings *per* Buſhel on Wheat; and when the Aſſize ſhall be ſet from the Average Price of Flour, ſuch Allowance ſhall be Thirteen Shillings and Four-pence *per* Sack on Flour, being in each Caſe an Increaſe of Half an Aſſize to the Allowance given to the Baker by the ſaid Act of the Thirty-ſeventh Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty; and the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London*, or the Lord Mayor of the ſaid City for the Time being, in ſettling the ſaid Aſſize, ſhall make ſuch Addition by adding One Half an Aſſize to each of the Prices ſpecified in the Table annexed to the ſaid laſt mentioned Act, according to the Rules and Proportions contained in the ſaid Table, as nearly as can be.

For increaſing the Allowance to Bakers.

II. And whereas an Act was paſſed in this preſent Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, *An Act for granting additional Duties on Salt in* Great Britain, whereby the Price of that Article is materially increaſed, and the Bakers will be conſiderably injured if ſome further Allowance is not made to them on Account of ſuch additional Duties; be it therefore further enacted, That while ſuch additional Duties on Salt ſhall continue, but no longer, the Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or the Lord Mayor of the City of *London* for the Time being, from Time to Time in ſetting the Aſſize of Bread, in Execution of the ſaid Act of the Thirty-ſeventh Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, and alſo of another Act paſſed in the Thirty-eighth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, to amend the ſaid Act, and of this preſent Act, or of either of them, when and ſo often as they or he ſhall think proper to uſe or be guided by the Average Price of Wheat, ſhall, immediately before the ſetting of ſuch Aſſize, add to what ſhall, by means of the then laſt general Return or Account of Wheat, appear to be the then Average Price *per* Quarter of Wheat, fit for making of Wheaten Bread, the Sum of Sixpence on Account of the ſaid new Duties on Salt, ſo as to increaſe ſuch Average Price Sixpence *per* Quarter, and ſhall then, in ſetting the Aſſize of Bread, make uſe of ſuch increaſed Average Price or Sum, in all Reſpects, as if the ſame were the real Average Price of Wheat; and that from Time to Time, when and ſo often as the ſaid Court of Mayor and Aldermen, or Lord Mayor, ſhall, in ſetting the Aſſize of Bread, in Execution of the ſame Two Acts and of this Act, or of either of them, think proper to uſe or be guided by the Average Price of Flour, they or he ſhall immediately, before ſetting ſuch Aſſize, while ſuch new Duties on Salt ſhall continue, but no longer, add to what ſhall, by means of the then laſt general Return or Account of Meal and Flour, appear to

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be the then Average Price *per* Sack of Flour, fit for the making of Wheaten Bread, the Sum of Five-pence on Account of the ſaid new Duties on Salt, ſo as to increaſe ſuch Average Price Five-pence *per* Sack, and ſhall then, in ſetting the Aſſize of Bread, make uſe of ſuch increaſed average Price or Sum, in all Reſpects, as if the ſame were the real Average Price of Flour: Provided always, that the ſaid additional Allowances of Sixpence on the Quarter of Wheat, and Five-pence on the Sack of Flour, by this Act granted, ſhall be independent of, and in Addition to, the ſeveral Sums granted in and by the ſaid Act of the Thirty-eighth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, in Conſideration of the new Duties then laid upon Salt.

III. And be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall commence and take place on the Second Tueſday next after the paſſing of the ſame. Commencement of this Act.

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