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*An Abstract of an Act for granting to Her Majesty New Duties of Excise, and upon several imported Commodities, and for establishing a yearly Fund thereby, and by other Ways and Means, to raise Nine hundred thousand Pounds by Sale of Annuities, and (in Default thereof) by another Lottery, for the Service of the Year 1710.*

THE Commons of Great Britain in Parliament Assembled, being desirous by the most easie and effectual Ways to raise the necessary Supplies for prosecuting the present War, and for enabling her Majesty at the end thereof to establish a good and lasting Peace, have, for that Purpose, granted to her Majesty the several Duties, Impositions, and Sums of Money herein after-mentioned: And it is Enacted by the Queen'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 the 25th of March 1710, the following new Duties of Excise shall be raised and paid to her Majesty, for the Term of thirty two Years: That is to say,

For every Barrel of Beer or Ale (above 6s. the Barrel, exclusive of the Duties of Excise) brewed for Sale, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser Quantity, to be paid by the Brewer 3d. and for every Barrel of Beer or Ale of or under that Value, 2d.

For every Hoghead of Cyder and Perry made and sold by Retail, to be paid by the Retailer, 5d.

For every Hoghead of Verjuice, to be paid by the Maker, 4d.

For every Gallon of Metheglin, or Mead, made for Sale, to be paid by the Maker for every Gallon 1d.

For every Barrel of Vinegar made for Sale, to be paid by the Maker, 9d.

For every Gallon of Strong Waters, or Aqua Vitæ, made for Sale, to be paid by the Maker, 11d.

For every Gallon of Spirits made in Great Britain, of any kind of Wine or Cyder imported, 2d.

Which Duties are to be raised, collected, and paid in the same manner as any other Duties of Excise formerly granted.

And it is further Enacted, That every Barrel of Twopenny Ale shall be only charged by this Act with such a proportional Part of 3d. as 2s. bears to 9d.

All Makers of Vinegar for Pickles are liable to the Duties of this Act, but Vinegar used in making white Lead is exempted.

It is also Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the following Additional Duties be laid on all manner of Pepper, Raisins, Nutmegs, Cinnamon, Cloves and Mace, and such Snuff, as is herein after-mentioned, imported, or to be imported, for thirty two Years from the 6th of February 1709, that is to say, for every Pound of Pepper 1s. 6d. for every hundred Weight of Raisins 5s. and for all Nutmegs, Cinnamon, Cloves and Mace, as much as the same Spices already pay, it being intended that the present Duties shall be doubled; and for every Pound of Snuff imported, not being the Product of her Majesty's Plantations, 2s.

And for the better securing, and more easie Payment of the said Duties upon Pepper, it is Enacted, That all Pepper imported after the 17th of February 1709, shall, upon Entry, be forthwith put into Warehouses provided for that Purpose, at the Charge of the Importers; and half the Subsidy payable for Pepper imported shall then be paid down by the Importer; and if the same be consumed in Great Britain, the whole Duty shall be paid by

the Purchaser before it be delivered out of the said Warehouse; but if the said Pepper be for Exportation to foreign Parts, Security shall be given to her Majesty's Commissioners of the Customs, that it shall be all exported, and not re-landed in Great Britain, and all other Duties, but the half Subsidy, shall be discharged when it is delivered out of the said Warehouse to be thus exported.

And for preventing all Clandestine Importing of Pepper, it is Enacted, That if any Pepper be brought in at any Port in Great Britain, besides that of London, or into that Port, and due Entries be not made of its Importation, and the Pepper be not carried into the aforesaid Warehouses, such Pepper shall be adjudged unlawfully imported, and the Persons offending shall not only lose the same, but also one hundred Pounds; one half whereof is to be paid to her Majesty, and the other half to the Seizers, or Informers.

And for preventing any Clandestine carrying out of Pepper, it is Enacted, That the Keepers of the Warehouses shall enter an exact Account of all Pepper brought in or carried out of the said Warehouses, and when and for what Uses it was delivered; and shall, at the end of every six Months, transmit in Writing an exact Account thereof upon Oath to the Commissioners of the Customs, together with an exact Account of how much shall be then remaining in their Warehouses; and if, upon Examination, it shall appear that any of the said Pepper was brought in, or carried out, otherwise than on the Terms and Method aforesaid, the Warehouse-keeper shall forfeit the value of the Pepper, be disabled from any publick Employment for the future, and forfeit one hundred Pound for every Offence.

Provided always, That the Importers of Raisins, Nutmegs, Cinnamon, Cloves, Mace, or Snuff, giving Security at the Custom-House, shall have twelve Months time for the Payment of the Duties, or 10 l. per Cent. Abatement in case of prompt Payment.

It is also Enacted, That in case any such Raisins, Nutmegs, Cinnamon, Cloves, Mace, and Snuff, be landed before due Entry be made, the Duties charged thereupon be paid or secured, or without a Warrant from proper Officers of the Customs, the same shall be forfeited, one half to her Majesty, and the other to such Persons as shall seize, inform, or sue for the same.

Provided always, That in case any of the said Commodities be again Exported within eighteen Months by British Merchants, or nine Months by Aliens, from the Day of their Entry, the Duties shall be forthwith repaid, or the Securities given be vacated.

And it is further Enacted, That those new Duties be levied by such Rules and Methods as other Duties now charged on the same Commodities.

And for preventing the landing of any Goods subject to the Payment of Duties without paying the same, or the Importation of any prohibited Goods, it is further Enacted, That all Persons concerned in landing such uncustomed prohibited Goods, or they to whose Hands the same shall afterwards knowingly come, shall forfeit treble the Value, and all the Cattle and Carriages employed therein.

It is also Enacted, That all Merchants and Dealers in Pepper shall pay 1s. 6d. for every Pound of Pepper in their Custody on the 8th of February 1709, and make a just Entry of their present Stocks at the next Custom-house, before the 5th of April 1710, and permit proper Officers to take Account of the same before the 15th of May 1710, on Penalty, in case of neglect or refusal, of forfeiting their said Stocks.

Provided that in case of prompt Payment of the said Duties an Abatement, after the Rate of 10 l. per Cent. be

be allowed for six Months, and that the Duties be repaid in case of Exportation within eighteen Months.

And it is Enacted, That all the said several Duties on excisable Liquors be under the Management of the Commissioners of Excise, and the Duties on imported Commodities under the Management of the Commissioners of the Customs, and the Sums of Money arising from thence shall be distinctly paid into the Exchequer every Wednesday.

It is also further Enacted, That the Duties arising from the said Commodities shall be charged with the yearly Fund of Eighty one thousand Pounds for thirty two Years; from the 29th of September, 1710; and in case the Monies arising from the said Duties shall not amount to that Sum, or to so much as shall be sufficient to discharge the Annuities appointed by this Act, then the Deficiency shall be supplied out of the Surplus of Duties granted by an Act of this Session of Parliament on Coals and Windows; and in default of such Surplus, by the first Aid to be granted in Parliament.

And it is Enacted, That it may be lawful for all Persons, Natives or Foreigners, to pay into the Exchequer any Sums of Money not exceeding Nine hundred thousand Pounds, for the absolute Purchase of certain Annuities for the Term of Thirty two Years, from the 29th of September 1710, at the rate of 91. per Cent. which Purchase Money is to be paid on or before the 1st of May, the 1st of July, the 1st of September, and the 1st of November, in the Year 1710, by quarterly Payments, and the Annuities shall be payable at the four most usual Feasts or Days of Payment in the Year; the first Payment to be due at the Feast of the Birth of Christ, 1710.

And it is hereby Enacted, That the Contributors Names, and the Sums by them paid, shall be entered in a Book in the Exchequer, to which they may have resort without Fee.

And it is further Enacted, That the said Annuities shall be paid out of the Monies arising by the said Duties, and other Provisions made by this Act, free from all Charges whatsoever.

It is also Enacted, That the Contributors shall receive Tallies, importing the Receipt of so much Purchase Money as shall be paid; and upon Payment of all the Purchase Money for any Annuity, they shall receive an Order, signed by the Treasurer and Under-Treasurer of the Exchequer, for paying the said Annuities for the Term of Thirty two Years, and Interest, after the rate of 91. per Cent. shall be allowed for the prompt Payment of any purchase Money before the 20th of September 1710.

And it is further Enacted, That any Purchaser may Assign such Annuities, or any part thereof, by Will or Writing, which Assignment is not revocable, if Entry be made in the Books to be kept in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt within three Months after such Assignment.

Provided always, That no Person may purchase any Annuity, unless one fourth Part of the Money at least be paid on or before the 1st of May 1710; and that the Purchasers, not paying their full consideration Money at the aforesaid appointed Days, shall forfeit what they may have advanced.

And it is hereby further Enacted, That within 21 Days after the 1st of May 1710, the Lord Treasurer shall take an Account of all the Sums of Money which shall be paid into the Exchequer for Annuities before the 1st of May, will amount to, and how much of the said yearly Fund of Eighty one thousand Pounds, will remain undisposed of, Publication whereof shall be made in the London Gazette, and by affixing the same upon the Royal Exchange in London; and if it appears that there is any Remainder, it shall be disposed of by way of Lottery.

*Bristol, March 20.* Yesterday came in the Brice Galley of this Port, in eleven Days from Gibraltar, but loaded in Zant. Her Majesty's Ships the Hastings and Speedwell are still in Kingroad, with the several Outward-bound Merchantmen.

*Deale, March 21.* Her Majesty's Ships the Panther, Rochester, and Litchfield sailed Yesterday in the Afternoon to the Westward; and the Saphir this Morning toward the River; but the rest of the Ships are still here. And yesterday in the Afternoon came down the Phoenix bound for the East-Indies; the Marlborough and Unity for New-England; the Daniel for Antegoas; the Jeremiah and Anne for Barbadoes; the Berkshire for Newfoundland; and the Dolphin for New-England.

Notice is hereby given by the Agent to the Captors, That the Officers and Company of her Majesty's Ship the Swift, may, on Saturday the 8th of April next, at Mr. Mathers House on Tower-hill, London, receive (according to her Majesty's most gracious Proclamation of the 20th of May, 1708) their several Shares of the Prizes St. Peter, Jolly Bark, Dulleser, and Trompense, lately Condemn'd as Prizes; and the Shares of each as shall not then be received, may, during the space of three Years, be every Thursday Morning received at the Place aforesaid.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies do hereby give Notice, That the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut up from Friday the 24th Instant, to Tuesday the 25th of April next. And that a General Court of the said Company is appointed to be holden at the East-India House, Leadenhall street, London, on Wednesday the 29th Instant at 11 in the Forenoon, to consider of the Shares. At which time will be also holden a Quarterly Court.

**Advertisements.**

ON the 30th Instant will be exposed to Sale at Lloyd's Coffee house in Lombard street, at 3 in the Afternoon, by Direction of the Agent to the Captors, the Cargo of the Mary Anne, taken by her Majesty's Ship the Medway, Capt. William Cook-Comanders, viz. 48 Tuns and 4 Barrels of White Sugar, 174 Tuns and 20 Barrels of Musc. and Sugar, 7 Barrels of Sweet Meats, and 19 Bags of Cotton Wool: all lying at Plymouth. Of which Allotments will be timely dispersed and affixed on the 29th of April next. To be Sold by Sam. Proctor, Broker.

ON the 5th of April next will be exposed to Sale by the Captor at the HCOG Tavern on Fish Street Hill near the Monument a 3 in the Afternoon, the Lease of the said House, having about 3 Years to come; also the Wines and Household Goods. The Allotments of which will be timely dispersed, by Proctor and Stable Broker.

TO be Sold a brick House, four Rooms the first Floor, and three the next, with Garrets, Coach house, Stable, Barn and well house, a good Court, and wall d'n, and a large Garden behind, in the Dwelling house of Mr. Thomas Grier, in Hampton Town near Hampton Court, Esquire of Mr. Samuel Nelbam, at the Angel and Crown in Cloth Fair, London.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt was on the 1st of January 1705 awarded against James Ayrey, late of London, Merchant; (Notice whereof has been several times given in the Gazette;) there are to give Notice, that the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate intend to meet on the 12th and 21st of April next, at 4 in the Afternoon, at the Sun Tavern behind the Royal Exchange, to dispose of the Remainder of the said Bankrupt's Estate; and that all such Creditors of the said James Ayrey as have not yet sought Relief under the said Commission, if they wish there to be, will be excluded from all benefit of the said Bankrupt's Estate, unless they do so on or before the 1st of the said Month of April next.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt was awarded against William Hedges, late of London, Merchant, on the 1st of January 1705, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is required to appear himself to the Commissioners on the 27th, 28th, and 29th of April next, at 3 in the Afternoon, at the first Chamber in Guildhall, London, at the first of which Meetings his Creditors are to compare to prove their Debts, pay Contribution money, and to give the Assignment already made, or chuse Assignees.

WHEREAS Nathaniel Sheppard, late of London, Merchant, intended to meet on the 5th of April next, at 3 in the Afternoon, at the first Chamber in Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate, in which such of the Creditors who have not proved their Debts, and paid their Contribution money, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the benefit of the said Dividend, which will be forthwith made.

WHEREAS Francis Little of London, Vintner, Bankrupt, intended to meet himself pursuant to Notice, and been twice examined, and he gave Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 7th of April next, at 3 in the Afternoon, at the Chamber of Charles Berry Esq; Numb. 5, in Brick Court in the Middle Temple Lane, two pair of Stairs, on the Right hand, to finish his Examination; and where the Creditors are to compare to prove their Debts, pay Contribution money, and attend to a Dividend from the Allowance of his Certificate.

WHEREAS Joseph Cox of Colchester in the County of Northampton, Dyer, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; these are to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 7th of April next, at 3 in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to finish his Examination; and where his Creditors are to compare to pay their Contribution money, prove their Debts, and attend to a Dividend from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Soughton's great Cordial Elixir, Now famous throughout Europe for the Stomach and Blood, as is described in the Bill with its preparation only by him, Apothecary, at the Unicorn in Southwark, for 19 Years. It makes the best Purl in Beer or Ale, Purl Royal in Sack, and the bitter Draught in a Minute, being the best and most pleasant Bitter in the World; now drunk by most Gentlemen in Wine instead of any other, Wormwood being too hot and drying, thickens the Blood, dulls the Brain, and weakens the Sight. Sold at the Author's House, and at many Bookellers and Coffee-houses in and about the City of London; also at some one such place in most Cities and great Towns in Europe, at 1s. a Bottle. Where it is not sold, any Person who sends first may have it to sell again, with good Allowance, many now selling 50 or 60 Dozens a Year, for no more. Ready Money is expected of all. The Seal on each Bottle has Richard Stoughton cut round it, or else 'tis a Counterfeit.

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