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*An Abstract of the Act made in the Eighth Year of Her Majesty's Reign, Entituled, An Act for laying certain Duties upon Candles, and certain Rates upon Monies to be given with Clerks and Apprentices, towards raising Her Majesty's Supply for the Year 1710.*

**B**y this Act a Duty is charged of four Pence per Pound on all Candles made of Wax, or any mixture therewith, and a Half-penny per Pound on all other Candles imported, or made in Great Britain, during five Years, commencing the first of May 1710. to be paid by the Importers or Makers; and all Candles imported that shall be landed without Warrant or Payment of the Duties are to be forfeited.

The Duties upon Candles imported are to be levied and managed by the respective Commissioners and Officers of the Customs in England and Scotland, and the Duties on Candles made in Great Britain by the respective Commissioners and Officers of the Excise, and to be paid in o the Exchequer in England.

All Makers of Candles are before the said first of May to give Notice in Writing at the next Excise Office of the Places where they make or keep their Candles, or melt, or keep their Wax, Tallow, or other Materials, to be made into Candles, and of their Utensils for that purpose; and from thenceforth no Maker of Candles is to erect, change or alter his Place of making or keeping Candles, or his Materials to make into Candles, or his Utensils for that purpose, without giving the like Notice in Writing, under Penalty of 50 l.

All Makers of Candles within the Weekly Bills of Mortality are once in every Month, and those in the other parts of Great Britain once in every six Weeks, to make true Entries at the next Excise-Office of all Candles made by them. The Entries to contain the weight, number and size of the Candles, and what quantities made in each course in the several Weeks, under Penalty of 20 l. which Entries are to be verified by an Oath, or if a Quaker by Affirmation of the Maker, or his chief Workman, or Servant, to be administered by an Officer for that purpose, in the Weekly Bills of Mortality, and by the Collectors and Supervisors of the respective Districts in all other Parts.

And the said Duties within the Bills of Mortality are within one Month, and in all other parts within six Weeks after Entry to be paid off, under Penalty of double Duty, and not to sell any Candles until paid off, under Penalty of double the value of the Candles.

The Officers are to have entry by Day, and in the Night in the presence of a Constable, to take an account by Weight, Tale, or otherwise, of the Candles made, and to make return thereof in Writing, which shall be a Charge on the Maker; and the Officers are to leave Copies of such Returns with the Makers, if demanded, under Penalty of 40 s.

The Officers for the said Duties are to take an Oath for the faithful Execution of their Trusts, to be administered by the Commissioners of Excise, or Justices of the Peace, who are to give Certificate thereof.

The Makers of Candles are to keep just Scales and Weights at their places of making, and permit and assist the Officers to make use thereof for ascertaining the Duties, under Penalty of 10 l.

The Officers may take an Account by gauging, weighing, or otherwise, of all Wax, Tallow, or other Materials for making of Candles, and make a Charge upon missing thereof, or any part thereof, and not receiving Satisfaction what is become of it, not exceeding 108 Pounds of Candles for 112 Pounds of Materials missing, and so proportionably.

Any Maker of Candles that obstructs an Officer in the Execution of the Powers given by this Act, forfeits 20 l.

No Maker of Candles, under Penalty of 20 l. shall remove, carry, or send away any Candles of which the Officer has not first taken an Account, without giving twenty four Hours Notice to the Officer within the Weekly Bills, and two Days Notice in all other Parts, of his Intention so to do.

All Candles not survey'd to be kept separate from those that are, for twenty four Hours within the Bills of Mortality, and two Days in all other Parts, under Penalty of 5 l.

A Maker of Candles, for Candles or Materials concealed, forfeits 20 l. and the Candles or Materials concealed, and all concealed Utensils are to be forfeited.

No Persons are to use any Lamps in their Dwelling-Houses, wherein any Oil or Fat shall be burnt, other than Oil made of Fish within Great Britain, on Penalty of 40 s.

No Candles shall be put to Sale but in Shops or Warehouses used for that purpose, or in Publick Fairs or Markets, under Penalty of 5 l.

Candles, Materials and Utensils are made liable to Debts and Duties in Arrear.

Persons that make Candles for their own private Use only may Compound for 12 d. per Head per Annum, and not be Survey'd, but must not sell, or increase their Families without Notice, and paying for the Persons added.

All Candles in the Possession of Persons that Sell, or deal in Candles, or any in Trust for them, on the first of May, are subjected to the same Duties, and are to be entered at the next Excise Office on pain of forfeiting 50 l. and of the Candles not entered; and on Payment of the Duty for such Stock within six Days after the first of May, allowance shall be made after the rate of 10 per Cent. and if not paid within six Days, Security must be given to pay in six Months after the first of May, and such as neglect to pay or secure, forfeit double Duty.

Those that conceal or convey away Stock forfeit 20 l. and the Candles so concealed, &c. and those that do not discover Stock in their Hands, forfeit 5 s. for every Pound weight.

The Laws of Excise to be in force for levying these Duties unless where other Provisions is made by this Act.

The Duties of Candles exported are to be repaid. The Fines and Penalties are to be recovered as by the Laws of Excise, and go one Moiety to the Queen, and the other to the Informer.

Candles cracked or spoiled are to be defaced by the Officer, and the Duty thereof allowed.

Persons that sell Candles by Contracts already made, may add the Duty to the Price contracted for.

Small Rush Lights once dipped or drawn through Grease or Kitchen-Staff, and not through Tallow melted or refined, made by Persons to be used only in their Houses, nor liable to Duty, so as none be sold, delivered out, or made for Sale.

That 6 d. per Pound for a Sum of 50 l. or under, and 12 d. per Pound for what exceeds that Sum, be paid to Her Majesty for all Monies which (during five-Years after the 1st of May, 1710.) shall be given or agreed for with any Clerk or Apprentice put out for five Years to learn any Employment: Payable by the Master.

These Duties to be managed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Stamp Duties, and paid to the Receiver-General of that Revenue, who is to keep a distinct Account, and pay them weekly into the Exchequer. The full Sum given or Contracted for so be incerted in words length in some Indenture or Writing, which shall contain the Covenants concerning the Service, and bear Date the Day of Signing, &c. or in Default the Master to forfeit double what he receives or agrees for, one Moiety to Her Majesty, the other with full Costs to any Person suing for the same, any time before the end of one Year after the Expiration of the Apprentices Time.

Two new Stamps to be provided for the Indentures, &c. (besides those before requisite) one to denote the new Duty of 6d. the other that of 12d. in the Pound.

All Indentures, &c. made within the weekly Bills of Mortality to be brought and stamped at the Stamp Office, the Duties being there first paid, within one Month after the Dates.

All such Indentures, &c. made out of those Limits, shall (at the Option of the Parties concerned) be sent within two Months after made, either to the head Stamp Office, or to some of the Stamp Collectors resident (out of those Limits) in England, Wales or Berwick, or to some of the Officers to be appointed for these Duties in Scotland.

The Duties to be paid to such Collector or Officers, upon producing of the Indenture to him; or if produced at the head Office, then to the Receiver-General there.

If the Duty be paid to the Receiver-General, the Indenture, &c. to be thereupon forthwith stamped. If to the Collector, then he to give a Receipt for it (dated the Day of Payment, and expressing the Sum in Words at length) indorsed on the Indenture, &c. which he is thereupon to deliver back to the Bringer.

Every Indenture, &c. being produced so indorsed at the Head Office to be immediately stamped with the proper new Stamp, which is to be done within three Months, if the Indenture, &c. be made within fifty Miles of the Bills of Mortality Limits, and within six Months, if made at a greater distance.

'Till such Indenture, &c. wherein the full Sum received or agreed for is not inserted, or which are not stamped, and the Duties duly paid within the said respective limited Times, to be void; and the Clerk or Apprentice incapable of Exercising the intended Employment, or to be free of any Corporation or Company.

These Duties not to extend to Apprentices put out at a Parish Charge, or by public Charity.

To Countersfeit the new Stamp, or any Receipt for the Duty, or to use any Counterfeit Stamp, Felony without Benefit of Clergy.

Commissioners and Officers to take the Oath for their due Demeanor (prescribed in the Act) which two Commissioners or any Justice of the Peace may administer.

No Indenture, &c. to be given in Evidence for any Party thereto, unless he first make Oath that the Sum therein inserted was all that was given or contracted for with the Apprentice.

Commissioners and Officers to observe the Orders of the Lord-Treasurer, &c. and to take no Fees.

Officer for any retard or neglect of his Duty, to answer Damages with treble Cost to the Party aggrieved.

Where any thing (not being lawful Money) shall be in any wife transferred, secured, agreed for, or given with an Apprentice, &c. the Duties shall be paid for the value of such Thing, under the like Penalties and Incapacities as if it had been Money.

*Hague, April 11. N. S.* Messieurs Buys and Vander-Daen set out from this Place on the 5th Instant for Garmroydenburg, in order to confer with the French Ministers, and returned yesterday in the Afternoon. The Marschal d'Uxelles and Monsieur de Polignac are to continue at the Place of Conference 'till the return of another Courier whom they have dispatched to Paris. Prince Eugene is expected here this Evening, or to morrow-Morning, his Highness having left Berlin on the 4th Instant; and we are advised, that his Negotiations have been to successfull at that Court, that his Prussian Majesty hath consented to the continuance of his Troops in Italy another Campaign. In the mean time the Preparations for opening the Campaign are continued with all Diligence. All the Troops are on their March towards the General Rendezvous, which is appointed to be near Turmay, before the 22th Instant. They write from Paris, that the French King hath nominated the Generals for the ensuing Campaign, and appointed Marschal Villars to Command the Army in Flanders; where the Marshal d'Aragnan is also to serve. According to the Relation given by the Swedes of the late Battle in Schoonen, four thousand Danes were killed on the Spot, three thousand taken Prisoners, and four thousand wounded. Besides one hundred sixty three Officers who were either wounded or made Prisoners of War. The Swedes also took thirty four Pieces of Cannon, several thousand Tents, and one half of their Ammunition and Baggage. Letters from Warsaw, of the 22d of the last Month, say,

that they had Advice of a Sedition of the Janifaries at Bender against the Seraskier Bassa, which lasted three Days, and was appeased after several Skirmishes, wherein above eight hundred Men were killed. His Swedish Majesty retired during these Disorders some Leagues from the Town towards Jassi, and was conducted by the Bassa of Czakow to Bender, where he still continued.

*The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice, That a General Court of the said Company will be holden at their House in Leadenhall Street, London, on Tuesday the 18th of April Instant, for the Election of 24 Directors for the Year ensuing, which will continue from nine in the Morning till six in the Afternoon of the said Day; after which time no Lists will be taken in. That the Lists of the Members of the said Company will be ready to be delivered at the said House on Saturday the 8th of April Instant. That a General Court of the General Society, for Election of 24 Trustees for the Year ensuing, will be holden at the same Place on Monday the 24th of April Instant, from nine in the Forenoon till one in the Afternoon; after which time no Lists will be taken in. That the Transfer Books of the said Company will continue shut 'till the 25th of the said Month of April. And that the Annuity Warrants will be delivered out to the Adventurers on Monday the 1st of May next.*

#### Advertisements.

This is to give Notice, that on the 28th of March last, the Ship's Company of her Majesty's Ship the Dunwich was paid their Prize-Money for the Mercury Privateer; and those that have not received their Proportions may have it at Mr. Samuel Lefebure's House in East-lane, at any time within the Space of three Years ensuing.

A Pleasant Seat at North-stiffenham in the County of Rutland, with extraordinary good Stables, Coach-houses, 2 Dove-cotes, Fish-Ponds, the Orchards and Gardens planted and set with choice Fruit, and near a Access of inclosure adjoining to it, is to be Let. Enquire of Mr. Robert Sner and at his Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, or Mr. George Denbire at Stamford in Lincolnshire.

Several Houses and Ground in Red-lyon-court in White-church-street in the Parish of St. Giles's Cripplegate, in the County of Middlesex whereon there is kept two Markets every Week, the said Houses being a Term for about 41 Years in being, and subject to 60l. per Annum; are to be Sold by Samuel Keck, Esq; one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, to the best Bidder, pursuant to a Decree and Order of the said Court.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against George Hallsted of St. Anns Westminster in the County of Middlesex, Taylor, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 8th and 15th Instant, and on the 4th of May next, at 9 in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; at the first of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-money, and chuse Assignees.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Fabyan, late of Newton-Abbott in the County of Devon, Serge-maker, intend to meet on the 18th Instant, at 10 in the Forenoon, at Lewis Jones's Coffee-house in the City of Exon, where 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 Dividend which the Commissioners intend to make at the said Bankrupt's Effes the Day following at the same Place, at 10 in the Forenoon.

The Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Thomas Savage, late of Witchampton in the County of Dorset, Petty-Shopman, intend to meet on the 14th Instant, at 9 in the Forenoon, at the Greyhound-Inn in Henton in the County of Devon, in order to make a second Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Effes; where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid their Contribution-money, are to come prepared to do the same, or they'll be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

Whereas Thomas Fryer of Colchester in the County of Essex Grocer, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; these are to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 8th of April Instant, at the House of Robert Halls, Gent. Attorney at Law, in Colchester aforesaid, at 10 in the Forenoon, in order to finish his Examination; when and where his Creditors are to come prepared to pay their Contribution-money, prove their Debts, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas Gabriel Butcher the Younger, of the Devizes, in the County of Wilts, Fuller, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined, these are to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 1st of May next, at 10 in the Forenoon, at the Greyhound in the Devizes aforesaid, to finish his Examination, when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay their Contribution-money, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas Notice was given in the Gazette of the 28th of March last, that William Cupper of the Strand, in the County of Middlesex, Linnen-draper, would attend the Commissioners on the 1st of this Instant April, at 9 in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, to finish his Examination; which said Meeting being put off; these are to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 18th Instant, at 10 in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, to finish his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-money, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.