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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; so far as it relates to the Duties on Candles.

By 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 into 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 the 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 surveyed 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 Oyl or Fat shall be burnt, other than Oyl 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 surveyed, 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 three 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 Provision 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 Stuff, and not through Tallow melted or refined, made by Persons to be used only in their own Houses, not liable to Duty, so as none be sold, delivered out, or made for Sale.

Turin, April 16. N. S. By our last Advices from the Frontiers we are informed, that four of the Enemy's Battalions are marched from Savoy to reinforce their Army on the Rhine; and it was reported that ten Battalions more were to be sent into Flanders. The same Letters advise, that the Duke of Berwick was expected at Genoa before the 20th Instant, to make the necessary Dispositions for the Campaign. Her Britannick Majesty's ships the Dartmouth, Gosport and Ludlow-castle arrived at Genoa last Week from Port-Mahon, where they left Sir John Norris with his Squadron. The two first sailed immediately for Leghorn, but the Ludlow-castle stays to careen at Genoa. The Duke of Anjou's Ministers at Genoa continue their Preparations for the Execution of some

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Project, which is generally believed may be an Expedition on Sardinia, and have put on Board the Duke of Tuffin's Gallies great Quantities of all sorts of Arms. They have likewise hired Transports at Genoa for twelve hundred Men, which are ready to sail, and would probably have put to sea the last Week; but it is supposed the Arrival of the Confederate Fleet hath prevented their Designs, and broken all their Measures. Last Saturday this Court went into Mourning for Prince Maurice, who died lately at Barcelona. Prince Emanuel de Solis, his eldest Brother, set out this Morning from hence for Vienna, in order to take upon him the Command of a Regiment of Cadets, which his Imperial Majesty hath lately given him. An Imperial Commissary is come hither from Milan to view the Magazines of Corn, which the Undertakers have Orders to make here for the Use of the Army, upon the first Arrival in Piedmont. All the Horses for remounting his Royal Highness's Cavalry arrived at this Place the last Week from Germany, and most of the Recruits for the foreign Regiments of Foot, which are in his Royal Highness's Service, have joined their respective Companies; so that all the Troops are complete, and ready to take the Field. His Royal Highness hath wrote to General Visconti at Milan, to desire a Detachment of two thousand Imperial Foot to reinforce our advanced Post in the Mountains, since they begin to be scarce from snow. These Troops are expected here the latter End of this Month.

Warsaw April 17. N. S. Yesterday the General Council being met at the usual hour, the Differences then remaining, with regard to the Grand Treasurer's being intrusted with the whole Taxes that are to be raised for the publick Service, were finally determined. The Treasurer is to have the whole Revenue under his Direction, only with this Restriction; that he shall give in his Account to the Senate, and be obliged to proceed with Diligence against Deficients. After this the Diet proceeded to pass the Acts they had already formed, which is done with no other Solemnity, than by reading them over in the publick Assembly. The first Act was for confirming the Diet of Lublin, and declaring that all the Taxes imposed by them should be held of equal Force with those granted at the General Council. Then they proceeded to read the several Acts by them made for settling the necessary Funds for the Subsistence of the Army, and the Service of the Republick. The first was for laying a Duty of one Timpl, or nine Pence Sterling, on every Sheet or small Stamp Paper; and on every Sheet of the larger sort that passes the King's Hands, and is generally used in Grants, Gifts, and Commissions, two Rix-Dollars, or nine Shillings Sterling. The next they read was an Act for laying a Duty on Corn, Cattle, Leather, Wax, and such like Commodities that shall be imported into, or exported out of this Kingdom, for which the Merchant shall pay after the Rate of ten per Cent. They likewise passed another Act, whereby every twenty one Houses were obliged to provide one Foot Soldier, and to advance one hundred and forty Polish Guilders for his Arms and Cloaths, and one hundred Polish Guilders for his Yearly Pay. On this Project the several Palatines have undertaken to levy and pay all the Infantry of their Army. The Cavalry is to be raised and paid out of the publick Treasury. The whole is to consist of sixty thousand Men, for y^e thousand of whom are to be raised in Poland, and twenty thousand in Lithuania: Which Army they promise shall be in a condition to take the Field before the End of next June. The Council likewise passed an Act for the Payment of the Arrears due to the Standing Militia of the Kingdom; an Act for renewing the Alliance between this Republick and the Czar of Muscovy; and an Act for regulating the Imposition of the Taxes, that a due Regard be had, in assessing and levying the same, to the Losses which some of the Palatinates have suffered in the late unhappy Wars; and because some Provinces have therein sustained greater Damages than others, the Taxes are to be imposed in proportion to their Sufferings. The Diet having sate till nine at Night, and having gone through all the Acts, Count Dönhoff, Marshal of the Confederacy, made a Speech to his Majesty in the Name of the Assembly, and was answered in the King's Name by the Chancellor from the Throne. After mutual Congratulations on the happy conclusion of this Diet, the Council attended the King at St. John's Church, where they assisted at singing a Te Deum. This Morning his Majesty set out for Bellani, which is situated upon the

River, at a League's distance from this City, where his Majesty designs to stay 'till the Days of Festival are ended.

It is Her Majesty's Pleasure to discontinue Teaching for this Season, and that all Persons do forbear Application for that Purpose. CH. BERNARD.

Navy-Office. The passing of the Accounts of the late Treasurer of the Navy being carried on at this Office with all the Expedition that may be, it is recommended to such Persons as have had any Bills assigned upon him by the Navy Board, and have not yet received their Money for the said Bills, forthwith to call for the same. And all Persons who are any Imprest standing out against them, and so Bills or Accounts in this Office, to clear the said Imprests, are advised to bring in their Bills or Accounts with all Speed to discharge them, that so the said Imprests may not be brought to Account, and returned into the Exchequer, as otherwise they will be. All who have not taken up their Imprests, are exhorted to carry their respective Bills to the late Treasurer's Officers, and to take up their Imprests.

A Letter having been sent from an unknown Hand, signed J. R. dated the 20th of April 1710, and directed to Sir, Barchett, Secretary to the Right Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty, near Whitehall; their Lordships do hereby desire the Person who wrote the said Letter to attend them at their Office as soon as may be, to give a more particular Account of the Matter mentioned in his said Letter, and he shall have all fitting Encouragement and Protection.

By Order of the High Court of Admiralty. This is to give Notice, that the Ship Susanna and Mary, John Gallowsay late Master, burthen about 50 Tuns, English built, lying at the Port of Ramsgate, together with her Tackle and Furniture, seized and condemned as Pertuisite of Admiralty, will be sold by the Candle at Lloyd's Coffee-house in Lombard-street, London, on the 27th of May next, at 3 in the Afternoon. Inventories may be seen at the Place of Sale 3 days before the Sale.

Notice is hereby given, That a General Court of the United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East-Indies, is appointed to be holden at the East-India House in Leadenhall street, London, on the 5th of May next, from 9 in the Morning, 'till 6 in the Afternoon, to chuse a Director, in the room of a Gentleman who declines to take up his Office. At which time and place will be also chosin a Trustee for the General Society.

Advertisements.

ON the Thursday in Whitson-week will be a Plate of 10 Lm for on Burreugh-hill by Daventry in Northamptonshire, by any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, carrying 11 Stone Weight, 3 Heats the winning Horse to be sold for 30 l. and entered at the Wheatsheaf in Daventry that Day Sevennight before they run, and kept 'till the Day of Running in the said Town. And on Friday in Whitson-Week will be run for a Plate of above 20 Guineas value, by any Horse, &c. that never ran before for either Plate or Priz carrying 12 Stone weight, the best in 3 Heats, and the winning Horse to be sold for 30 l. and entered that Day Sevennight before they run at the Wheatsheaf in Daventry. Every Contributor to pay 5 Guineas Entrance, and they that are not Contributors to pay 5 s. If any Horse runs not being qualified according to their Articles, shall forfeit the Plate if won, and 10 l. in Money.

WHEREAS Jane the Wife of John Tamblinson, of the Parish of St. Olives Southwark, is Elop'd from her Husband, This is to give Notice, that her said Husband will not pay any Debts she shall contract after the Publication hereof.

WHEREAS Elizabeth, the Wife of Thomas Bacon, of the Parish of Redriffe, in the County of Surrey, Woodmonger, hath Elop'd from her Husband, and contracted several Debts, and procured him to be Arrested thereupon: All Persons therefore are hereby forbid to trust the said Elizabeth upon any Account whatsoever, for the said Thomas Bacon will not pay any Debts the said Elizabeth shall contract after the Publication hereof.

WHEREAS Mary the Wife of James Bonner, of the Parish of St. Sepulchres, in the County of Middlesex, doth not cohabit with her Husband: These are to give Notice, that he the said James Bonner will not pay any Debts she shall contract after the Publication hereof.

WHEREAS the acting Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Knapp, late of London, Chapman, have certified to the Rt. Hon. the Lord High-Chancellor of Great Britain, that he hath in all things conform'd himself according to the Directions of the late Acts of Parliament made against Bankrupts: This is to give Notice, that his Certificate will be confirm'd as the said Acts direct, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 18th of May next.

WHEREAS the acting Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Thomas Fryer of Colchester, in the County of Essex, Grocer, have certified to the Right Honourable Lord High-Chancellor of Great Britain, that he hath in all things conform'd himself according to the Directions of the late Acts of Parliament made against Bankrupts: This is to give Notice, that his Certificate will be confirm'd as the said Acts direct, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 18th of May next.