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ANNO REGNI
GEORGI III.
REGIS

Magnæ Britanniae, Franciæ, & Hiberniæ,

VICESIMO SECUNDO.

At the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster*, the Thirty-first Day of *October*, *Anno Domini* 1780, in the Twenty-first Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of God, of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

And from thence continued, by several Prorogations, to the Twenty-seventh Day of *November*, 1781; being the Second Session of the Fifteenth Parliament of *Great Britain*.



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Printers to the King's most Excellent Majesty. 1782.



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An Act for allowing the Importation of Goods of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture, of the Islands of *Saint Christopher, Nevis, and Montserrat*, into any Ports of His Majesty's Dominions in *Europe or America*, upon Payment of the *British* Plantation Duties.



WHEREAS, in the Course of the present Hostilities, the Islands of Saint Christopher, Nevis, and Montserrat, have been taken by the Arms of his most Christian Majesty: And whereas, by the Twelfth Article of the Capitulation of Saint Christopher's and Nevis, as also by the Twelfth Article of the Capitulation of Montserrat, it is covenanted, That the Vessels which the Inhabitants of the said Islands expect from the Ports of England, or from any of the Possessions of His Britannick Majesty, shall be received in the said Colonies, during the Space of Six Months, and that they may load them to return under neutral Colours, even for the Ports of Great Britain, with the particular Permission of the Governor: And whereas, by an additional Article of the Capitulation of Saint

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Christopher's and Nevis, as also by the Fourteenth Article of the Capitulation of Montserrat, it is moreover covenanted generally, That the Inhabitants of the said Islands may, with the Permission of the Governor, export their Merchandize, in neutral Vessels, to all the Ports of Europe and America: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it 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 it shall and may be lawful to import, in any British or neutral Vessels, from the said Islands of Saint Christopher's, Nevis, and Montserrat, any Goods of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture, of the said Islands, into any Ports of His Majesty's Dominions in Europe or America; and that the said Goods shall be admitted to an Entry, on Payment of the same Duties to which they would have been subject, if imported from any of the British West India Islands, on Board British Ships navigated according to Law; any Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Goods the Produce or Manufacture of St. Christopher's, Nevis, and Montserrat, may be imported in neutral Vessels, on Payment of Plantation Duties;

provided the Importer make Oath to the Truth thereof.

II. Provided always, That the Importer or Importers of any Goods from the said Islands of Saint Christopher's, Nevis, and Montserrat, shall make Oath before the Collector or Comptroller of His Majesty's Customs, that, to the best of his or their Knowledge or Belief, the Goods so imported are really and bona fide of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture, of the said Islands; and in Default of such Oath, the Goods imported from the said Islands shall be subject to the Payment of the same Duties, as they would have been liable to if imported from any Foreign West India Island; any Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

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