

intending a fraud, they may be admitted to entry, paying the usual duties.

Bond and security shall be given, pursuant to the Act 12 Car 2. in case of lading any enumerated goods, that any foreign melasses and syrups, on board, shall be brought to some of the British plantations in America, or to Great Britain; of which report shall be made at the port of arrival. Non-enumerated goods laden on board without bond given, shall be forfeited with the vessel.

The master, before sailing from the port of lading, shall take a certificate of his having given bond; which, upon completing his voyage, he shall deliver up at the port of discharge, on penalty of 100 l.

British vessels, with any British American goods, or foreign melasses or syrups, discovered near the British American coasts, not producing a certificate as required by law; or not producing one at the port of arrival, shall be forfeited.

The bond for non enumerated goods, shall be in force for one year after the voyage; when, if no fraud appear, it shall be given up.

Coffee, and other enumerated goods of the British American plantations, shall be imported under like securities and penalties, as those in acts 12 and 25 Car. II.

Bond and security shall be given before lading any iron or lumber of the British American plantations, conditioned to land the same, if for Europe, in Great-Britain; and to produce a certificate thereof within 18 months; and if for any of the British American plantations, within 6 months; and if for any other place in America, Africa, or Asia, within 12 months. Where the goods perish, or are taken, the bond shall be discharged.

No goods shall be shipped in one British colony to be carried to another, without a sufferance, and taking out a proper cocket; which shall be produced at the port of discharge; on forfeiture of the goods. The goods shall also be forfeited if they do not agree with the cocket. A vessel discovered near the coast, shall be stopt; and the goods, for which no cocket is produced, shall be seized.

No vessel shall be cleared out for any of the British colonies in America, unless the whole cargo be shipped in this kingdom; and where any European vessel is discovered near such coasts, the goods for which no such cocket is produced, shall be seized; salt, Madeira wines, &c. horses, provisions, or linens from

Ireland, excepted. The penalty on counterfeiting, &c. any affidavit, or certificate, shall be 500 l.

Foreign vessels found at anchor, or hovering on the coasts of any of the British American dominions, and not departing, unless distressed, within 48 hours after notice, shall be forfeited, with the goods, except French fishing vessels off Newfoundland.

British vessels found standing into, or coming out from the isles of St. Pierre and Miquelon, or hovering, &c. on the coasts, or with goods on board from thence, &c. shall be forfeited, together with the goods; and the master, &c. shall forfeit also treble value.

Concealed goods found on board, after report made by the master, and not comprised in his report, shall be forfeited; and the master, being privy to the fraud, shall forfeit treble the value.

If customed goods be either laden on board, or landed, before the duties are paid; or prohibited goods be imported into, or exported out of, any of the British colonies in America, the persons concerned therein, shall forfeit treble the value; together with the boats, carriages, and cattle employed. An officer receiving any bribe, &c. conniving at a false entry; making a collusive seizure; or being guilty of other fraud in his office; shall forfeit 500 l. and be disabled from serving the King in any office. And persons giving, or promising any bribe, &c. to such officer, in order to betray his trust, shall forfeit 50 l.

Penalties and forfeitures in America, may be recovered in the Courts of Record there, or Court of Vice-Admiralty; and the net produce shall be paid, one third to the King, one third to the Governor, and one third to the Prosecutor. But seizures made at sea by the King's ships, are to go, one moiety to the King, and the other to the Prosecutor; subject nevertheless to such distribution, as his Majesty, by order of Council, or Proclamation, shall make.

Where the seizure shall not answer the expence of condemnation and sale, or a verdict be given for the claimant, the charges, with approbation of the commissioners, may be defrayed out of the customs in America.

No claims shall be admitted, till security to answer costs be given, to the amount of 60 l. and in default, ship and goods shall be condemned.

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