

ties and Forfeitures, in all Respects, as Rum, Spirits, Sugars, Paneles, Molasses and Syrrups, of the Growth, Produce or Manufacture of any foreign Colony or Plantation, would respectively be liable to by Law.

Provided always, That if any Rum or Spitts, Sugars and Paneles, Molasses or Syrrups, shall be imported into Great-Britain from any British Colony or Plantation in America, without being included in such Certificate as is herein before directed, and it shall be made to appear, to the Satisfaction of the Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs at London or Edinburgh respectively, that the Goods are really and truly the Produce of such British Plantation or Colony, and that no Fraud was intended, it shall and may in such Case be lawful for the said respective Commissioners to permit the said Goods to be entered, upon Payment of the like Duties as such Goods would be liable to if this Law had not been made.

And whereas by an Act of Parliament made in the 12th Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, intituled, *An Act for encouraging and increasing Shipping and Navigation*, and several subsequent Acts of Parliament which are now in Force, it is, amongst other Things, directed, that for every Ship or Vessel that shall load any Commodities in those Acts particularly enumerated, at any British Plantation, being the Growth, Product or Manufacture thereof, Bonds shall be given with one Surety, to the Value of 1000 l. if the Ship be of less Burthen than 100 Tons, and of the Sum of 2000 l. if the Ship be of greater Burthen, that the same Commodities shall be brought by such Ship or Vessel to some other British Plantation, or to some Port in Great-Britain; notwithstanding which, there is great Reason to apprehend such Goods are frequently carried to foreign Parts, and landed there: And whereas great Quantities of foreign Molasses and Syrrups are clandestinely run on Shore in the British Colonies, to the Prejudice of the Revenue, and the great Detriment of the Trade of this Kingdom, and its American Plantations: To remedy which Practices for the Future, be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the 29th Day of September, 1764, Bond and Security, in the like Penalty, shall also be given to the Collector or other principal Officer of the Customs at any Port or Place in any of the

British American Colonies or Plantations, with one Surety, besides the Master of every Ship or Vessel that shall lade or take on board any Goods not particularly enumerated in the said Acts, being the Product or Manufacture of any of the said Colonies or Plantations, with Condition, that, in Case any Molasses or Syrrups, being the Produce of any of the Plantations not under the Dominion of his Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, shall be laden on board such Ship or Vessel, the same shall (the Dangers of the Seas and Enemies excepted) be brought, without Fraud or willful Diminution, by the said Ship or Vessel, to some of his Majesty's Colonies or Plantations in America, or to some Port in Great-Britain; and that the Master, or other Person having the Charge of such Ship or Vessel, shall, immediately upon his Arrival at every Port or Place in Great-Britain, or in the British American Colonies and Plantations, make a just and true Report of all the Goods laden on board any such Ship or Vessel, under their true and proper Denominations; and if any such Nonenumerated Goods shall be laden on board any such Ship or Vessel before such Bond shall be given, the Goods so laden, together with the Ship or Vessel and her Furniture, shall be forfeited, and shall and may be seized by any Officer of the Customs, and prosecuted in the Manner herein after directed.

And it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every Master or Person having the Charge of any Ship or Vessel, shall, before he departs from any British Colony or Plantation where he receives his Lading, take a Certificate under the Hands and Seals of the Collector or other principal Officer of the Customs there, (which Certificate such Officers are hereby required to grant without Fee or Reward) that Bond hath been given, pursuant to the Directions of this or any other Act of Parliament, as the Case shall require; and the Master or Person having the Charge of such Ship or Vessel, shall keep such Certificate in his Custody till the Voyage is completed, and shall then deliver the same to the Collector or other chief Officer of the Customs at the Port or Place where he shall discharge his Lading, either in Great Britain or any British American Colony or Plantation, on Forfeiture of One Hundred Pounds for each and every Offence.

And it is hereby further enacted, That if any