15 July 1814.



·[AS AMENDED ON THIRD RE-COMMITMENT]

To amend the several Acts for the Encouragement of Learning, by securing the Copies and Copyright of printed Books, to the Authors of such Books, or their Assigns.

Note-The Figures-in the Margin denote the number of the Folios in the written Copy.

N. B .- The Clause marked (A.) was added by the Committee; and those marked (N° 1 and N° 2) were added on the Re-Commitment.

DEREAS by an Act, made in the Eighth year of the Reign of her late Majesty Queen Anne, intituled, "An Act for the Encouragement of Learning, by vesting the Copies of printed Books in the Authors or Purchasers of such " Copies, during the times therein mentioned," it was, among other things 'Company, for provided and enacted, "That Nine Copies of each Book or Books, upon the best Paper, that from and after the Tenth day of April one thousand seven hundred and ten should be printed and published as in the said Act mentioned, or reprinted and published with Additions, should, by the Printer and Printers thereof, be delivered to the Warehousekeeper of the Company of Stationers for the time being, at the Hall of the said Company, before such Publication made, for the use of the Royal Library, the Libraries of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, the Libraries of the Four Universities in Scotland, the Library of Sion College in London, and the Library of the Faculty of Advocates at Edinburgh; which said Warehousekeeper is by the said Act required to deliver such Copies for the use of the said Libraries; and that if any Proprietor, Bookseller or Printer, or the said Warehousekeeper, should not observe the directions of the said Act therein, that then he or they so making default in not delivering the said printed Copies, should forfeit, besides the value of the said printed Copies, the Sum of Five Pounds for every Copy .not so delivered:" AND A -321.

Preamble recites 8 Anne, Requiring the delivery to the Stationers the use of certain Public Libraries in England and Scotland, of Nine Copies of Books, printed and published as therein mentioned.

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Geo. III. (U.K.) c. 107. § 6.

requiring the delivery of Two Copies for the use of Public Libraries in Dublin, of Books entered at Stationers Hall.

AND whereas by an Act made in the Forty-first year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for the further Encouragement of Learning in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, by securing the Copies and Copyright of printed Books to the Authors of such Books, or their Assigns, for the time herein mentioned," it is, amongst other things, provided and enacted, "That, in addition to the Nine Copies required by Law to be delivered to the Warehousekeeper of the said Company of Stationers, of each and every Book and Books which shall be entered in the Register Books of the said Company, Two other Copies shall in like manner be delivered, for the use of the Library of the College of The Holy Trinity, and The Library of the Society of the King's Inns, in Dublin, by the Printer and Printers of all and every such Book and Books as should thereafter be printed and published, and the Title to the Copyright whereof should be entered in the said Register Book of the said Company:"

AND whereas it is expedient that Copies of Books hereafter printed or published, should be delivered to the Libraries hereinafter mentioned, with the Modifications that shall be provided by this Act;

## May it therefore please Your MAJESTY,

Provisions of recited Acts, as to delivering Copies to Public Libraries, Repealed.

That it may be Enacted; And be it Chatted 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 so much of the said several recited Acts of the Eighth year of Queen Anne, and of the Forty-first year of His present Majesty, as requires that any Copy or Copies of any Book or Books which shall be printed or published, or reprinted and published with Additions, shall be delivered by the Printer or Printers thereof to the Warehousekeeper of the said Company of Stationers, for the use of any of the Libraries in the said Act mentioned, and as requires the delivery of the said Copies by the said Warehousekeeper for the use of the said Libraries, and as imposes any Penalty on such Printer, or Warehousekeeper, for not delivering the said Copies, shall be and the same is hereby Repealed.

Eleven
printed Copies
shall be delivered on demand within
Twelve
Months
after Publication, for the
use of the
following
Libraries; viz.
The British
Museum, &c.

And be it further Enacted, That Eleven printed Copies of the whole of every Book and of every Volume thereof, upon the Paper upon which the largest number or impression of such Book shall be printed for Sale, together with all Maps and Prints belonging thereto, which, from and after the passing of this Act, shall be printed and published, on Demand thereof being made in writing to and left at the place of Abode of the Publisher or Publishers thereof, at any time within Twelve Months next after the Publication thereof, under the hand of the Warehousekeeper of the Company of Stationers, or the Librarian or other Person thereto authorized by the Persons or Body Politic and Corporate, Proprietors or Managers of the Libraries following; videlicet, The British Museum, Sion College, The Bodleian Library at Oxford, The Public Library

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at Cambridge, The University Library, and The Library of the Faculty of Advocates at Edinburgh, The University Libraries at Giusgow and Saint Andrews and Aberdeen in Scotland, Trinity College Library and The King's Inns Library at Dublin, shall be delivered by the Publisher or Publishers thereof, within One Month after demand made thereof in writing as aforesaid, to the Warehousekeeper of the said Company of Stationers for the time being; which Copies the said Warehousekeeper shall and he is hereby required to receive at the Hall of the said Company, for the use of the Library for which such Demand shall be made, within such Twelve Months as aforesaid; and the said Warehousekeeper is hereby required, within One Month after any such Book or Volume shall be so delivered to him as aforesaid, to deliver the same, for the use of such Library: And if any Publisher, or the Warehousekeeper of the said Company of Stationers, shall not observe the directions of this Act therein, that then he and they so making default in not delivering or receiving the said Eleven printed Copies as aforesaid, shall forfeit, besides the Value of the said printed Copies, the sum of Five Pounds for each Copy not so delivered or received, together with the full Costs of Suit; the same to be recovered by the Person or Persons, or Body Politic or Corporate, Proprietors or Managers of the Library for the use whereof such Copy or Copies ought to have been delivered or received; for which Penalties and Value such Person or Persons, Body Politic of Corporate, is or are now hereby authorized to sue by Action of Debt or other proper Action in any Court of Record in the United Kingdom.

Provided always, and be it further Enacted, That no such printed Copy or Copies shall be demanded by or delivered to or for the use of subsequent any of the Libraries hereinbefore mentioned, of the second Edition, or of any subsequent Edition of any Book or Books so demanded and delivered as aforesaid, unless the same shall contain Additions or Alterations: And in case any Edition after the First, of any Book so demanded and delivered as aforesaid, shall contain any Addition or Alteration, no printed Copy or Copies thereof shall be demanded or delivered as aforesaid, if a printed Copy of such Additions or Alterations only, printed in an uniform manner with the former Edition of such Book, be delivered to each of the Libraries aforesaid, for whose use a Copy of the former Edition shall have been demanded and delivered as aforesaid: Provided also, That the Copy of every Book that shall be demanded by The British Museum, shall be delivered of the best paper on which such work shall be printed.

No Copies of a Second or Edition, without Addition or Alteration, to be demanded; Additions to be printed, and delivered separate.

AND whereas by the said recited Acts of the Eighth year of Queen 8 Anne, c. 19, Anne, and the Forty-first year of His present Majesty's Reign, it is 41 G. III. enacted, "That the Author of any Book or Books, and the Assignee or Assigns of such Author respectively, should have the sole liberty of printing and reprinting such Book or Books for the term of Fourteen Years, and Years, to commence from the day of first publishing the same, and no longer; and it was provided, that after the expiration of the said term of 10 Fourteen Years, the right of printing or disposing of Copies should return to the Authors thereof, if they were then living, for another Term of Fourteen 3:21.

9 1-11. C. 107. § 1. Instead of Copyright for Fourteen contingently for Fourteen more, as under former Acts;

Fourteen Years:" AND WHEREAS it will afford further Encouragement to

Literature, if the duration of such Copyright were extended in manner

bereinafter mentioned; BE it further Enacted, That from and after

the passing of this Act, the Author of any Book or Books composed and

not printed and published, or which shall hereafter be composed, and be

printed and published, and his Assignee or Assigns, shall have the sole

liberty of printing and reprinting such Book or Books for the full term

of Twenty-eight Years, to commence from the day of first publishing

the same, and no longer: And that if any Bookseller or Printer, or

other Person whatsoever, in any part of the United Kingdom of

which the offence shall be committed, recover such Damages as the Jury

which Action no Wager of Law, Essoign, Privilege or Protection, nor

more then one Imparlance, shall be allowed; and all and every such

Offender and Offenders shall also forfeit such Book or Books, and all and

every Sheet being part of such Book or Books, and shall deliver the

same to the Author or Authors, or other Proprietor or Proprietors of the

Copyright of such Rook of Books, upon order of any Court of Record in

which any Action or Suit in Law or Equity shall be commenced or proso-

ented by such Author or Anthors, or other Proprietor or Proprietors, to

he made on Motion or Petition to the said Court; and the said Author

or Authors, or other Proprietor or Proprietors shall forthwith damask

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Authors and their Assigns mail have. Twenty-ci-ht Years Copyright, absolute, in their Works.

41 G. III. C. 147. §.1. Bookfelters, &c. in any part of the United Kingdom, or British Dominions, who thail print, reprint, or · import, &c. any fuch Book, without confent of the Proprietor, shall be liable to an Action for Damages, and thall alfo forfeit the Books to the Proprietor, and Three Pence per Sheer; half to the King, and half to the resformer.

Great Britain and Incland, in the Isles of Man, Jersey or Guernsey, or in any other part of the British Dominions, shall, from and after 14 the passing of this Act, within the Terms and Times granted and limited by this Act as aforesaid, print, reprint or import, or shall cause to be printed, reprinted or imported, any such Book or Books, without the consent of the Author or Authors, or other Proprietor or Proprietors of the Copyright of and in such Book and Books, first had and obtained in writing; or, knowing the same to be so printed, reprinted or imported, without such consent of such Author or Authors, or other Proprietor or Proprietors, shall sell, publish or expose to Sale, or cause to be sold, published or exposed to Sale, or shall have in his or their possession for Sale, any such Book or Books, without such consent first had and obtained as aforesaid, then such Offender or Offenders shall be liable to a Special Action on 12 the Case, at the Suit of the Author or Authors, or other Proprietor or Proprietors of the Copyright of such Book or Books so unlawfully printed, reprinted or imported, or published or exposed to Sale, or being in the possession of such Offender or Offenders for Sale as aforesaid, contrary to the true intent and mesning of this Act: And every such Author or Authors, or other Proprietor or Proprietors, shall and may by and in such special Action upon the Case, to be so brought against such Offender or Offenders, in any Court of Record in that part of the said United Kingdom, or of the British Dominions, in

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this Act: the one Moiety thereof to the King's most Excellent Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety thereof to any Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, in any such Court of Record, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, in which no Wager of Law, Essoign, Privilege or Protection, nor more than one Imparlance, shall be allowed: Provided always, That in Scotland such Offender or Offenders shall be liable to an Action of Damages in the Court of Session in Scotland, which shall and may be brought and prosecuted in the same manner in which any other Action of Damages to the like amount may be brought and prosecuted there; and in any such Action where Damages shall be awarded, Double Costs of Suit or Expenses of Process shall be allowed.

AND in order to ascertain what Books shall be from time to time published, BE it Enacted, That the Publisher or Publishers of any and every Book demandable under this Act, which shall be published at any time after the passing of this Act, shall, within One calendar Month after the day on which any such Book or Books respectively shall be first sold, published, advertised or offered for sale, within the Bills of cation. Mortality, or within Three calendar Months if the said Book shall be sold published or advertised in any other part of The United Kingdom, enter the Title to the Copy of every such Book, and the Name or Names and Place of Abode of the Publisher or Publishers thereof, in the Register Book of the Company of Stationers in London, in such manner as hath been usual with respect to Books, the Title whereof bath heretofore been entered in such Register Book, and deliver one Copy, on the best Paper as aforesaid, for the use of The British Museum; which Register Book shall at all times be kept at the Hall of the said Company; for every of which several Entries the Sum of Two Shillings shall be paid, and no more: Which said Register Book may at all seasonable and convenient times be resorted to and inspected by any Person; for which inspection the Sum of One Shilling shall be paid to the Warehousekeeper of the said Company of Stationers; and such Warehousekeeper shall, when and as often as thereto required, give a Certificate under his hand of every or any such Entry, and for every such Certificate the Sum of One Shilling shall be paid: And in case such Entry of the Title of any such Book or Books shall not be duly made by the Publisher or Publishers of any such Book or Books, within the said calendar Month, or Three Months, as the case may be, then the Publisher or Publishers of such Book or Books shall forfeit the Sum of Five Pounds, together with Eleven times the Price at which such Book shall be sold or advertised, to be recovered, together with full Cost of Suit, by the Person or Persons, Body Politic or Corporate, authorized to sue, and who shall first sue for the same, in any Court of Record in The United Kingdom, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, in which no Wager of Law, Essoign, Privilege or Protection, nor more than one Imparlance, shall be allowed: Provided always, That in the case of Mazzines, Reviews, or other periodical Publications, it shall be sufficient to make such Entry in the Register Book of the said Company within One month next after the publication of the First Number or Volume of such Magazine, Review, or other periodical 321. Publication:

(CLAUSE A.) The Title of all Books shall be entered at Stationers" Hall, within One Month after PubliPublication: Provided always, That no failure in making any such Entry shall in any manner affect any Copyright, but shall only subject the Person making default to the Penalty aforesaid under this Act.

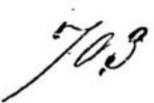
CLAUSE
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Warehousekeeper of
Stationers'
Hall to transmit to Librarians Lists of
Books entered; and call
on Publisher
for the Copies
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And be it further Enacted, That the said Warehousekeeper of the Company of Stationers shall from time to time and at all times, without any greater interval than Three months, transmit to the Librarian or other person authorized on behalf of the Libraries before mentioned, correct Lists of all Books entered in the Books of the said Company, and not contained in former Lists; and that on being required so to do by the said Librarians or other authorized person, or either of them, he shall call on the Publisher or Publishers of such Books, for as many of the said Copies as may have been demanded of them.

CLAUSE (No. 2.) Limitation of Actions.

Provided nevertheless, That all Actions, Suits, Bills, Indictments or Informations, for any offence that shall be committed against this Act, shall be brought sued and commenced within twelve months next after such offence committed, or else the same shall be void and of no effect.

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