CAP. XV.

An Act further to prevent Illicit and Clandestine Trade in this Province.

Passed the 7th of March, 1826.

THEREAS in order to check and prevent the practice of Smuggling in many parts of this Province, it is expedient to authorize the Supreme Court to grant and issue -writs of assistance, to the Treasurer of this Province, and his Deputies in the same manner as to officers of His Majesty's Customs. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Gover-

nor, Council and Assembly, That from supreme court and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the said Supreme Court to grant and issue writs of assistance to the said Treasurer of this Province and his respective Deputies, in the same manner as is now in use under any Act or Acts of Parliament, with regard to the officers of His Majesty's Customs, and such Treasurer or any of his Deputies, to whom such writ or writs of assistance shall or may be granted or issued, as aforesaid, shall and may have and exercise, by virtue thereof, such and as the officers of the like powers and authorities, in all respects as any officer or officers of His Majesty's Customs, can or may have and exercise, by virtue of any writ of assistance to him, or them granted and issued in manner aforesaid, by virtue of any Act or Acts of Parliament in force, for that purpose, within

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