

articles shall in no case exceed the value of fifty pounds sterling for any given plantation or settlement, whether by one or more shipments, within the same season: and the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, and the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, are to give the necessary directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

Jas. Buller.

AT the Court at *Carlton-House*, the 14th of *January 1814*,

PRESENT,

His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT in Council.

WHEREAS, in consequence of the successes which have attended His Majesty's arms, divers ports and places in France have been, and may be, placed in the military occupation, or under the protection, of His Majesty; and it is expedient that the same be open to the trade of all Nations, not being at war with His Majesty or any of the Allied Powers; His Royal Highness the Prince Regent is pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that all such ports and places as aforesaid, after the same shall have been declared by the Commander of His Majesty's forces in those parts to be so far under the protection of His Majesty, as that British subjects may safely trade thereat, shall be forthwith released from the restrictions of blockade heretofore imposed thereon as parts of France; and that it shall be lawful for His Majesty's subjects, and other persons as aforesaid, to trade thereat, subject to such regulations as shall be imposed thereon by His Majesty, or by the Commander of His Majesty's forces in those parts.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty, and the Judges of the Courts of Vice-Admiralty, are to take the necessary measures herein as to them may respectively appertain.

Jas. Buller.

Admiralty-Office, February 5, 1814.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Shephard, of His Majesty's Ship *Fylla*, addressed to Rear-Admiral Hargood, Commander in Chief at Guernsey, and transmitted by the latter to John Wilson Croker, Esq.

His Majesty's Ship Fylla, at Sea,
January 30, 1814.

SIR,
I HAVE the honour to acquaint you, that this morning at ten, the island of Guernsey bearing S. E. eight leagues, I saw a sail in the S. S. W. and after a chase of four hours captured the French lugger privateer *L'Inconnu*, of St. Maloes, of one hundred and eighty tons, pierced for twenty

guns, mounting fifteen, commanded by Gilles Jean Geoffroy; with a complement of one hundred and twenty four men; and having one hundred and nine on board; attempting resistance; she had her 2d captain and four men killed, and four wounded; Lieutenant W. H. Pierson, first of this ship, and William Read, corporal of marines, are slightly wounded; the lugger is quite new, a very fine vessel, sails well, and is the largest of that class out of St. Maloes, sailed from the Isle Bason on the 27th instant.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) WM. SHEPHEARD, Captain.
Rear-Admiral Hargood, &c. &c. &c.

Whitehall, February 1, 1814.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, having, in consideration of the distinguished zeal, courage, and intrepidity of Philip Bowes Vere Broke, Esq. Post Captain in the Royal Navy, and Commander of His Majesty's ship the Shannon (particularly displayed by him in his recent brilliant engagement with the United States frigate *Chesapeake*, of superior force, off Boston, on the 1st day of June last, when, after a most severe, arduous, and decisive conflict, the enemy were compelled in the short space of fifteen minutes to surrender to His Majesty's ship), been pleased to advance the said Philip Bowes Vere Broke to the dignity of a Baronet of the United Kingdom, by letters patent under the great seal, bearing date the 2d day of November last; and His Royal Highness being desirous of conferring upon the said Sir Philip Bowes Vere Broke such a further mark of His Majesty's royal favour, as may, in an especial manner, evince the sense which he entertains of his able conduct and signal intrepidity, in personally boarding the enemy's ship at the head of his men (on which occasion he was severely wounded), hath given and granted to him His Majesty's royal licence and authority, that he and his descendants may, as a memorial of his highly distinguished conduct and gallantry, bear the crest of honourable augmentation following; that is to say, *issuant from a naval crown, a dexter arm embowed, encircled by a wreath of laurel, the hand grasping a trident erect*, together with the motto "*Sævumque tridentem servamus*;" provided the same be first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the Heralds' Office:

And also to order, that the said royal concession and especial mark of His Majesty's favour, be registered in His College of Arms.

Whitehall, February 2, 1814.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent hath been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to give and grant unto Sir James Leith, Knight of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-General of His Majesty's Forces, His Majesty's royal licence and permission, that he may accept and wear the insignia of an Honorary Knight Commander of the Royal