

and make Prize of all such Ships and Vessels, and their Cargoes, as are therein mentioned, for a limited Time: And whereas it has been represented, that, by the Orders in Council now subsisting, Ships Outward bound are only permitted to take on Board particular Quantities of Arms and Ammunition for their Defence; and that such Quantities are not sufficient for the Use and Defence of the Ships and Vessels which may have Commissions granted them by Virtue of the said Act: His Majesty, taking the same into Consideration, is hereby pleased, with the Advice of His Privy Council, to order, as it is hereby ordered, that all Ships and Vessels as shall be commissioned by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, in Pursuance of the before mentioned Act, be permitted to take on Board, and carry out for their Use and Defence, a sufficient Quantity of Gunpowder, Ball, and Ammunition, not exceeding Fifty Rounds for each Carriage and Swivel Gun that each Ship or Vessel may have on Board.— And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, are to give the necessary Directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

W. Blair.

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 30th Day of *April*, 1777.

P R E S E N T,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS His Majesty was graciously pleased, by His Royal Proclamation bearing Date the 25th Day of October last, to promise and declare, That the Bounties of Five Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Two Pounds Ten Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, fit for His Majesty's Service, should be paid in the Manner thereby directed, to every such Able and Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who should, on or before the Thirty-first of December then following, enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of His Majesty's Ships, or the Chief Officers on Board such Tenders as should be employed for raising Men for the Service of the Royal Navy: And whereas His Majesty was likewise pleased, by His Royal Proclamation bearing Date the Eighth Day of November last, to promise and declare, That a Reward of Two Pounds for every Able, and Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, should be paid, in the Manner thereby directed, to any Person who should discover any Seaman or Seamen who might secrete themselves, that so such Seaman or Seamen should be taken for His Majesty's said Service by any of His Majesty's Sea-Officers employed for raising Men, on or before the said Thirty-first Day of December: And whereas the Time limited by the said Proclamations for Payment of the said Bounties and Rewards, hath been prolonged and extended to this Thirtieth Day of April; and it being judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, that the said Bounties and Rewards should be continued to be paid for some Time longer: His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, doth therefore order, and it is hereby accordingly ordered, That the Time limited for Payment of the said Bounties and Rewards be prolonged and extended from this Thirtieth Day of April to the Thirtieth Day of June next inclusive.

Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

St. pb. Cottrell.

St. James's, May 2.

The King was this Day pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood on Patrick Craufurd, Esq; Conservator of the Privileges of Scotland at Campvere and other Places in Zealand, or elsewhere, in the United Provinces, and Resident there for the same; and he had the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand on the Occasion.

St. James's, May 3.

The King has been pleased to appoint the Right Reverend Father in God Robert Lord Bishop of London to be Dean of His Majesty's Chapels Royal.

St. James's, May 3.

The King has been pleased to order a Congé d'Elire to the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ in the University of Oxford, empowering them to elect a Bishop of that See, the same being void by the Translation of the Right Reverend Father in God Robert, late Bishop thereof, to the See of London; and also a Letter recommending to the said Dean and Chapter the Reverend John Butler, Doctor of Laws, to be by them elected Bishop of that See.

The King has been pleased to present the Reverend John Horsfall to the Vicarage of Gedney in the County and Diocese of Lincoln, void by the Death of the Reverend Dr. Pyle, the last Incumbent.

The King has been pleased to confirm the Election of Richard Geast, Esq; to be Steward of the City of Litchfield, on the Resignation of Gryffyd Price, Esq;

The King has been pleased to confirm the Election of John Leaper, Gent. to be Town Clerk of the Borough of Derby, in the Room of William Merrill Lockett, Gent. deceased.

The King has been pleased to order Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the Kingdom of Ireland, containing a Grant unto Roger Palmer, of Cattle Lachen in the County of Mayo. Esq; and to his Heirs Male, the Dignity of a Baronet of the said Kingdom.

Admiralty-Office, April 30, 1777.

PURsuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, this is to give Notice to the Concerned, that Information has been sent to this Office, that, on the 22d Instant the Ship Expedition, of which Francis Cook was Master, bound from Bristol and Falmouth to Venice, was driven on Shore in a hard Gale of Wind near Giandower in the Port of Penzance in Cornwall, where she was stranded.

Pb. Stephens.

Royal Cheshire Militia.

PURsuant to the Act of the Second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, relating to the Raising and Training the Militia within that Part of Great Britain called England, I do hereby direct all the Militia Men to assemble at the City of Chester, on Monday the 19th Day of May next, and there to remain to be trained and exercised for Twenty-eight Days, as the Law directs.

CHOLMONDELEY, Lieutenant.