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AT the Court at St. James's, the 1st Day of January, 1781,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS, by His Majesty's Order in Council of the 18th Day of August last, an Embargo was laid upon all Ships and Vessels laden or to be laden in the Ports of Great Britain, with Black Cattle and Hogs, Beef, Pork, Butter, and Cheese, or any Sort of Provisions, except Fish, Corn or Grain of any Kind, or Pulse; and by the said Order His Majesty was pleased to declare, that the said Embargo should not extend to any Ships or Vessels carrying Provisions to any of the Ports in Europe, except the Ports belonging to France or Spain, under certain Conditions and Restrictions contained in the said Order: And whereas in the present Critical Conjunction of Affairs, it is requisite, that the said Embargo should extend to the Ports belonging to the States General of the United Provinces, as well as to those belonging to France and Spain, and should also, in respect of the Ports belonging to France, Spain, and the States General of the United Provinces, comprehend all Kinds of Provisions, without any Exception: It is therefore hereby ordered by His Majesty in Council, that the said Embargo be forthwith extended to, and laid upon, all Ships and Vessels laden or to be laden in the Ports of Great Britain with Black Cattle and Hogs, Beef, Pork, Butter, and Cheese, or any Sort of Provisions, to be carried to any Ports belonging to France or Spain, or the States General of the United Provinces, and that the said Embargo do continue and remain upon such Ships and Vessels until further Order. 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 for carrying this Order into Execution, as far as to them shall respectively appertain.

W. Fawkenor.

By the KING,

A P R O C L A M A T I O N,

For granting the Distribution of Prizes during the present Hostilities.

G E O R G E R.

**W**HEREAS by Our Order in Council, dated the Twentieth of this Instant December, We have ordered that General Reprizals be granted against the Ships, Goods, and Subjects of the States General of the United Provinces, so that as well Our Fleet and Ships, as also all other Ships and Vessels that shall be commissioned by Letters of Marque, or

General Reprizals, or otherwise, by Our Commissioners for executing Our Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, shall and may lawfully seize all Ships, Vessels, and Goods, belonging to the States General of the United Provinces, or their Subjects, or others inhabiting within any of the Territories of the States General of the United Provinces, and bring the same to Judgment in any of Our Courts of Admiralty within Our Dominions: We, being desirous to give due Encouragement to all Our faithful Subjects who shall lawfully seize the same, and having declared in Council, by Our Order of the Twentieth of this Instant December, Our Intentions concerning the Distribution of all Manner of Captures, Seizures, Prizes, and Reprizals, of all Ships and Goods, during the present Hostilities, do now make known to all Our loving Subjects, and all others whom it may concern, by this Our Proclamation, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, that Our Will and Pleasure is, That the Neat Produce of all Prizes taken, the Right whereof is inherent in Us, and Our Crown, be given to the Takers, but subject to the Payment of all such or the like Customs and Duties as the same are now, or would have been liable to, if the same were or might have been imported as Merchandize; and that the same be so given in the Proportion and Manner herein-after set forth; that is to say, That all Prizes taken by Ships and Vessels having Commissions of Letters of Marque and Reprizals, may be sold and disposed of by the Merchants, Owners, Fitters, and others, to whom such Letters of Marque and Reprizals are granted, for their own Use and Benefit, after final Adjudication, and not before: And We do hereby further order and direct, that the Neat Produce of all Prizes which are or shall be taken by any of Our Ships or Vessels of War, shall be for the entire Benefit and Encouragement of Our Flag Officers, Captains, Commanders, and other Commissioned Officers in Our Pay, and of the Seamen, Marines, and Soldiers, on Board Our said Ships and Vessels at the Time of the Capture; and that such Prizes may be lawfully sold and disposed of by them and their Agents, after the same shall have been to Us finally adjudged lawful Prize, and not otherwise. The Distribution shall be made as follows; the Whole of the Neat Produce being first divided into Eight equal Parts:

The Captain or Captains of any of Our said Ships and Vessels of War, who shall be actually on Board at the taking of any Prize, shall have Three Eighth Parts; but in case any such Prize shall be taken by any of Our Ships or Vessels of War, under the Command of a Flag or Flags, the Flag Officer or Officers, being actually on Board, or directing and assisting in the Capture, shall have One of the said Three Eighth Parts; the

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the said One Eighth Part to be paid to such Flag or Flag Officers in such Proportions, and subject to such Regulations, as are herein-after mentioned :

The Captains of Marines and Land Forces, Sea Lieutenants, and Master on Board, shall have One Eighth Part, to be equally divided amongst them :

The Lieutenants and Quarter-Masters of Marines, and Lieutenants, Ensigns, and Quarter-Masters of Land Forces, Secretaries of Admirals or of Commodores, with Captains under them, Boat-swains, Gunners, Purser, Carpenter, Master's Mates, Chirurgeon, Pilot, and Chaplain on Board, shall have One Eighth Part, to be equally divided amongst them :

The Midshipmen, Captain's Clerk, Master Sail-maker, Carpenter's Mates, Boatswain's Mates, Gunner's Mates, Master at Arms, Corporals, Yeomen of the Sheets, Cockswain, Quarter-Masters, Quarter-Masters Mates, Chirurgeon's Mates, Yeomen of the Powder-Room, Serjeants of Marines, and Land Forces on Board, shall have One Eighth Part, to be equally divided amongst them :

The Trumpeters, Quarter Gunners, Carpenter's Crew, Stewards, Cook, Armourer, Steward's Mate, Cook's Mate, Gunsmith, Cooper, Swabber, Ordinary Trumpeter, Barber, Able Seamen, Ordinary Seamen, and Marines, and other Soldiers, and all other Persons doing Duty and assisting on Board, shall have Two Eighth Parts, to be equally divided amongst them.

Provided, That if any Officer being on Board any of Our Ships of War, at the Time of taking any Prize, shall have more Commissions or Offices than One, such Officer shall be intitled only to the Share or Shares of the Prizes which, according to the above-mentioned Distribution, shall belong to his Superior Commission or Office. And We do hereby strictly enjoin all Commanders of Our Ships and Vessels of War taking any Prize, as soon as may be, to transmit, or cause to be transmitted, to the Commissioners of Our Navy, a true List of the Names of all the Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers, and others, who were actually on Board Our Ships and Vessels of War under their Command at the Time of the Capture ; which List shall contain the Quality of the Service of each Person on Board, and be subscribed by the Captain or Commanding Officer, and Three or more of the Chief Officers on Board. And We do hereby require and direct the Commissioners of Our Navy, or any Three or more of them, to examine, or cause to be examined, such Lists by the Muster Books of such Ships and Vessels of War, and Lists annexed thereto, to see that such Lists do agree with the said Muster Books and annexed Lists, as to the Names, Qualities or Ratings, of the Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers, and others belonging to such Ships and Vessels of War, and upon Request forthwith to grant a Certificate of the Truth of any List transmitted to them, to the Agents nominated and appointed by the Captors, to take care and dispose of such Prize ; and also upon Application to them (the said Commissioners) they shall give or cause to be given, to the said Agents, all such Lists from the Muster Books of any such Ships of War, and annexed Lists, as the said Agents shall find requisite for their Direction in paying the Produce of such Prizes, and otherwise shall be aiding and assisting

to the said Agents in all such Matters as shall be necessary. We do hereby further will and direct, that the following Regulations shall be observed concerning the One Eighth Part herein-before mentioned to be granted to the Flag, or Flag Officers, who shall actually be on Board at the taking of any Prize, or shall be directing or assisting therein : First, That a Flag Officer, Commander in Chief, when there is but One Flag Officer upon Service, shall have to his own Use the said One Eighth Part of the Prizes taken by Ships and Vessels under his Command : Secondly, That a Flag Officer, sent to command at Jamaica, or elsewhere, shall have no Right to any Share of Prizes taken by Ships or Vessels employed there, before he arrives at the Place to which he is sent, and actually takes upon him the Command : Thirdly, That when an inferior Flag Officer is sent out to reinforce a superior Flag Officer at Jamaica, or elsewhere, the superior Flag Officer shall have no Right to any Share of Prizes taken by the inferior Flag Officer, before the inferior Flag Officer shall arrive within the Limits of the Command of the superior Flag Officer, and actually receive some Order from him : Fourthly, That a Chief Flag Officer returning home from Jamaica, or elsewhere, shall have no Share of the Prizes taken by the Ships or Vessels left behind to act under another Command : Fifthly, That if a Flag Officer is sent to command in the Out-ports of this Kingdom, he shall have no share of the Prizes taken by Ships or Vessels which have sailed from that Port by Order from the Admiralty : Sixthly, That when more Flag Officers than One serve together, the Eighth Part of the Prizes taken by any Ships or Vessels of the Fleet or Squadron, shall be divided in the following Proportions, viz. If there be but Two Flag Officers, the Chief shall have Two Third Parts of the said One Eighth Part, and the other shall have the remaining Third Part ; but if the Number of Flag Officers be more than Two the Chief shall have only One Half, and the other Half shall be equally divided amongst the other Flag Officers : Seventhly, That Commodores with Captains under them shall be esteemed as Flag Officers with respect to the Eighth Part of Prizes taken, whether commanding in Chief or serving under Command. And We do hereby further Order, That in the Case of Cutters, Schooners, and other armed Vessels commanded by Lieutenants, the Share of such Lieutenants shall be Three Eighth Parts of the Prize, unless such Lieutenants shall be under the Command of a Flag Officer or Officers ; in which Case the Flag Officer or Officers shall have One of the said Three Eighths, to be divided among such Flag Officer or Officers in the Manner herein-before directed in the Case of Captains serving under Flag Officers : Secondly, We direct that the Share of the Master or other Person acting as Second in Command, and the Pilot, (if there happens to be One on Board,) shall be One Eighth Part, to be divided into Three equal Parts ; of which Two Thirds shall go to the Master or other Person acting as Second in Command, and the remaining One Third to the Pilot ; but if there is no Pilot, then such Eighth Part to go wholly to the Master or Person acting as Second in Command : That the Share of the Chirurgeon, or Chirurgeon's Mate (where there is no Chirurgeon), Midshipmen, and Clerk and Steward, shall be One Eighth ; That the Share of the Boatswain's, Gunner's, and Carpenter's Mates, Yeomen of the Sheets, Sail-maker, Quarter Master, and Quarter Master's Mate, shall be One Eighth ; and the Share of the Seamen, Marines,

Marines, and other Persons on Board, assisting in the Capture, shall be Two Eighth Parts. But it is Our Intention nevertheless, that the above Distribution shall only extend to such Captures as shall be made by any Cutter, Schooner, or armed Vessel, without any of His Majesty's Ships or Vessels of War being present or within Sight of, and adding to the Encouragement of the Captors, and Terror of the Enemy: But in case any of His Majesty's Ships or Vessels of War shall be present, or in Sight, that then the Officers, Pilots, Petty Officers, and Men on Board such Cutters and Schooners, or armed Vessels, shall share in the same Proportion as is allowed to Persons of the like Rank and Denomination, on Board His Majesty's Ships and Vessels of War.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Twenty-seventh Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and eighty, in the Twenty-first Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

*The Queen's Palace, December 29.*

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Earl of Ailesbury to be Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Household.

*St. James's, December 29.*

The following Noblemen and Gentlemen have been appointed of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales's Household:

Groom of the Stole—Lord Southampton.

Gentlemen of the Bed-chamber—Earl of Courtown, Lord John Clinton, Lord Viscount Parker.

Treasurer and Secretary—Lieutenant-Colonel Hotham.

Master of the Robes and Privy Purse—Henry Lyte, Esq;

Grooms of the Bed-chamber—Honourable Mr. Legge, Honourable Stephen Digby, John Johnson, Esq;

First Equerry and Commissioner of the Stables—Lieutenant-Colonel Lake.

Equerries—Lieutenant-Colonel Hulse, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Dyer, Bart. Lieutenant-Colonel Stevens.

Whitehall, January 2, 1781.

*Copy of a Letter from Major-General Dalling, Governor of the Island of Jamaica, to Lord George Germain, One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, received by His Majesty's Sloop Alert, Captain Vasson.*

*Jamaica, October 20, 1780.*

LORD,

I am to be under the disagreeable Necessity of troubling your Lordship with one of the Letters that has been presented to this

Ministry, and which has been the subject of a Hurricane than ever was felt in this Country, with repeated Shocks of an Earthquake, which has almost totally demolished every Building in the Parishes of Westmoreland, Hanover, Part of St. James's, and some Part of Elizabeth's, and killed Numbers of the White Inhabitants as well as of the Negroes. The wretched Inhabitants are in a truly wretched Situation, not a House standing to shelter them from the Inclemency of the Weather, nor Cloaths to cover them, every Thing being lost in the general Wreck, and, what is still more dreadful, Famine staring them full in the Face.

To obviate in some Degree the Consequence of this most dreadful Calamity, I have called a Meeting of the Kingston Merchants, who have generously sent down to the unhappy Sufferers £10,000 Value in different Kinds of Provisions, Cloathing, &c. which will be a temporary Relief, until their Distresses can be more effectually relieved, either from Home, or from America, whither I am sending some Vessels in Quest of Rice, or such other Provisions as can be procured. In the Parish of Westmoreland, the Damage, by the Report of the Committee appointed to take into Consideration the Amount of their Losses, amounts to £950,000 of the Currency: In that of Hanover, One Fourth of the absolute Property is lost for ever: In that of St. James's, the Ravage, though very great, yet has not been so fatal as in the other Two. In short, my Lord, the Devastation is immense. The inclosed Paper may give your Lordship some faint Idea of the Distresses of the poor Inhabitants, who now look up to their most gracious Sovereign, in their truly calamitous Situation, for some Alleviation of their very great Sufferings.

The Monarch Transport, having the Spanish Prisoners from St. John's on Board, sailed from Savanna la Mar on her Way to Kingston on the 1st of October, but not having been heard of since, 'tis much feared that she also has experienced the dreadful Effects of the late Hurricane, and that every Soul on board perished.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

JOHN DALLING.

*Copy of a Letter from the Inhabitants of Savanna la Mar to Governor Dalling, dated October 8, 1780.*

S I R,

THE remaining distressed Inhabitants of the Place where Savanna la Mar once stood, beg Leave to acquaint your Excellency of a most dreadful Calamity which befel that unfortunate Town on Tuesday the 3d Instant. The Weather had appeared very indifferent for some Days before, but that Morning the Wind became more violent than usual, with a most terrible Swell of the Sea, which, by Afternoon, encreased to such a Degree, that it has not left the Wreck of Six Houses on both the Bay and Savanna, and not less than 300 People of all Colours were drowned or buried in the Ruins; such terrible Havock was never seen in the Memory of the oldest Person here, nor can Words, or Writing, do Justice to the dismal Scene.

and also from

have not some speedy Relief of Bread-kind, the few that have survived that unfortunate Day will most probably fall Victims to the more miserable Fate of perishing with Hunger. In this Distress we must look to the Town of Kingston for Relief: Their Humanity, it is to be hoped, will not suffer us to perish for Want, or take any Advantage of our Misery and Wretchedness, which God knows is almost as great as it can be, seeing the Calamity has been so general, that no one can help his Neighbour; neither have many of us Shelter for our Heads from the Inclemency of the Weather, or Cloaths to cover us; even Fire, dreadful as it is, is nothing to what we have so lately experienced.

We have likewise addressed the Admiral on this Occasion, which we inclose open to your Excellency, and have no Doubt you will back it with all your Influence.

As a Specimen of the Destruction of the Inhabitants, we mention that of Dr. King's House, in which were 10 Whites and about 40 Negroes, and not a single Person out of the Whole has escaped drowning. The Sea flowed up Half a Mile beyond its usual Bounds, even to the Height of Ten Feet.

We are, &c.

Jas. Wallace  
Geo. Richardson  
B. W. Blake  
Samuel Bell  
Tho. Tomlinson  
John Tomlinson  
W. Antrobus  
Dav. Finlayson  
Jas. Steele  
J. Munro  
Arch. Duthie  
G. Noble  
Rob. Baker  
Tho. Thistlewood  
James Robertson

Geo. Woodbine  
J. Merrick Williams  
Geo. Murray  
H. Duncan  
W. D. Williams  
R. Chambers  
J. Chambers  
Geo. Inglis  
John Munro  
Rob. Pinckney  
John Dickson  
Eliz. Welter  
Marg. Wallace  
B. Barnjam

*Admiralty-Office, Jan. 2, 1781.*

**L**IEUTENANT Messervy, of His Majesty's Sloop Alert, arrived at this Office last Night with Dispatches from Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Parker, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Jamaica, to Mr. Stephens, dated the 6th of November, 1780, of which the following is an Extract:

**H**IS Majesty's Brig the Alert having again been obliged to put back with the Governor's Dispatches and mine, and Applications having been made to me from the Governor and Council, and the Leeward Parishes of this Island, that have suffered most by the late Hurricane on the 2d Ult. for a King's Vessel to be sent Express to England with the Account of the Calamity; I have altered the Destination of the Alert, and she is to sail To-morrow Express for England.

It is with

overboard: Sir Hyde Parker dispatched his First Lieutenant, Mr. Archer, in one of the Ship's Boats to Montego Bay for Assistance, and by the 11th all that remained of the Ship's Crew to the Number of Two Hundred and Forty, were embarked on Board of His Majesty's Sloop Porcupine, and Three Shallops, and arrived safe in Montego Bay the 15th Instant. His Majesty's Sloops the Barbadoes and Victor, and His Majesty's Ship the Scarborough, were in the Hurricane. The Two former, it is apprehended, are foundered, but the latter, I am in Hopes, is safe; she was under Orders to proceed to St. Juan's on the Spanish Main, and as the Hurricane run in Veins she may have escaped, as well as the Pallas, Diamond, Pellican, and Lowestoffe, who were also at Sea at the Time, and are all arrived safe, without any Damage whatever.

The Pomona arrived the 24th with the Bow-sprit and Fore-mast sprung, and Mizzen-mast gone: And on the 26th Rear-Admiral Rowley arrived in the Grafton with the following Ships, from Convoying the Trade Part of their Way to Europe, viz. Hector, Bristol, Trident and Ruby, all of them disabled, and mostly dismasted.

The Ulysses arrived the same Day without Main or Mizzen-mast, having thrown all her Upper Deck Guns overboard.

Captain Stewart has informed me that he is going to England with the Berwick dismasted. I hope that the Thunderer and Sterling Castle are also on their Passage Home, for I have not as yet received any Intelligence of those Ships.

By the different Accounts which I have received, I find that the late Storms have visited the Windward Islands, as well as the Seas. The 28th past His Majesty's Ship the Egmont arrived here from St. Lucia totally dismasted, and her Frame much shaken. On the 29th the Endymion arrived at this Port from a Cruise to the Windward of Martinico, with only the Foremast standing. She brought in with her Two French Ships, named the Marquis de Brancas, and the L'Eole, which she took on her Way hither. The former was laden with Provisions, and the latter had One Hundred and Fifty Soldiers on Board, Part of the Regiment of Touraine, commanded by a Captain De Marcy. These Two Ships were on the 11th of October forced, with many others, out from St. Pierre's Road, Martinico, by the Violence of the Storm.

*Admiralty-Office, January 2, 1781.*

*Extract of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Evans, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Downes, to Mr. Stephens, dated the 31st of December, 1780.*

**P**LEASE to acquaint their Lordships, that about Two Hours after I sent you an Yesterday, by Express, of a Dutch being at the Back of the Good

Dublin Castle, December 23, 1780.

By the Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of IRELAND;

A PROCLAMATION.

BUCKINGHAM,

**W**HEREAS the Parliament of this Kingdom stands prorogued to Tuesday the Nineteenth Day of this Instant December; We do publish and declare that the said Parliament be, and accordingly the said Parliament is hereby further prorogued to Tuesday the Twenty-seventh Day of February next, 1781: Whereof the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons in this present Parliament, are to take Notice accordingly. Given at His Majesty's Castle of Dublin the 16th Day of Dec. 1780.

By His Excellency's Command,

S. HAMILTON.

GOD save the KING.

Dublin-Castle, December 23, 1780.

**T**HE Earl of Carlisle, who embarked at Holyhead at One o'Clock Yesterday, arrived safe in this Port about Five o'Clock this Evening. His Lordship was received at Landing by the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs and Commons, of the City of Dublin. The Foot Forces in Garrison lined the Streets through which his Lordship, attended by a Squadron of Dragoons, proceeded to the Castle, and the Council having been summoned to meet at Nine o'Clock, his Lordship was introduced in Form to Lord Buckingham, who received him sitting under the Canopy of State in the Presence Chamber, from whence a Procession was made to the Council Chamber, where his Lordship's Commission was read, and the Oaths administered to him; after which his Lordship having received the Sword from Lord Buckingham, the Great Guns in His Majesty's Park the Phoenix were fired, and answered by the Regiments on Duty, which were drawn up in College Green. His Excellency then repaired to the Presence Chamber, where he received the Compliments of the Nobility, and other Persons of Distinction, upon his safe Arrival to take upon him the Government of this Kingdom.

Dublin, December 25, 1780.

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant hath been pleased to appoint William Eden, Esq; to be His Principal Secretary; and on Saturday he was sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

Stockholm, December 8. The King of Great Britain having been graciously pleased to nominate Thomas Wroughton, Esq; His Envoy Extraordinary at this Court, to be a Knight Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath; and His Majesty being desirous that he should be knighted, and invested with the Ensigns of that Order in the most distinguished Manner, Mr. Wroughton demanded an Audience of his Swedish Majesty, in which he presented a Letter from the King his Master, desiring he would be pleased to represent His Britannick Majesty on this Occasion; to which the King of Sweden very readily consented, expressing, in the strongest Terms, his Sentiments of Friendship towards the King of Great-Britain; and having been pleased to appoint Tuesday last the 5th Instant, at Seven o'Clock in the Evening, the Ceremony was performed as follows:

Mr. Wroughton repaired to the Palace at the Hour appointed, and was received at the first Door

of the Royal Apartments by the Grand Master of the Ceremonies, who conducted him into the Great Gallery. After waiting some Time, the Folding-Doors of the Private Apartment were thrown open, and the Great Chamberlains of their Swedish Majesties, attended by several other Officers of the Court, invited him, in the King's Name, to enter. His Majesty was standing opposite to the Doors, with the Senator Count Ulric Scheffer nearest to him, and farther back the other Great Officers of the Crown. The Queen, the Duke of Sudermania, (the Dutchess was indisposed) the Duke of Ostrogothia, and the Princess Albertina, were on the King's Right Hand, and the Room filled with Gentlemen and Ladies of the first Rank. Mr. Wroughton approached his Majesty with Three Bows, and, turning to the Queen, made a respectful Bow to her Majesty. Then the King said to him, That at the Request, and in the Name of his Sovereign, he was going to invest him with the Ensigns of the Order of the Bath, (on naming the King, his Majesty took off his Hat) and ordering him to kneel down on a Velvet Cushion prepared for that Purpose; and the Sword of State being presented to his Majesty by Count Ulric Scheffer, (who officiated for his Brother, as Chancellor of the Swedish Orders) his Majesty laid it first on Mr. Wroughton's Left Shoulder, then on his Right, and on his Left again, saying, in an audible Voice, *Soyez Bon et Loyal Chevalier au Nom de Dieu.* The Ribbon and Star of the Order were then presented to his Majesty on a Crimson Velvet Cushion, by the Great Chamberlain, as Treasurer of the Swedish Orders. The King put the Ribbon over Sir Thomas Wroughton's Right Shoulder, and the Star on his Left Breast; and, being thus invested, Sir Thomas rose, and addressed a short Compliment to his Majesty, expressing his respectful Sense of the Honour he had been graciously pleased to confer on him, particularly thanking his Majesty for the Public Proof he had given of his Regard, Attention and Friendship for the King his Master, by the Splendour with which the Ceremony was conducted; to which his Majesty replied in Terms expressive of the most affectionate Friendship towards His Britannick Majesty. Sir Thomas then withdrew from the Royal Presence, the same Ceremonies being observed as at his Entrance.

General Post-Office, Dec. 9, 1780.

**T**HERE being great Reason to suspect that the Mail containing the following Bags of Letters was Yesterday Morning stolen out of the Mail Cart between Epping and London, in its Way to this Office, viz.

Norwich	Lynn	Rougham
Thetford	Stoke	Wells
Cambridge	Swaffham	Fakenham
Bury	Saffron Walden	Holt
Newmarket	Bishopstortford	Dereham
Attleborough	Windham	Ely
Downham	Epping	Ongar
Harlow	Sawbridgeworth	

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or shall cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person or Persons who stole the said Mail, will be entitled to a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS; or if any Person, whether an Accomplice in the Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery whereby any one or more of the Persons concerned therein may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party or Parties, be entitled to the same Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, and will also receive His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Postmaster General,  
Anth. Todd, Sec.

East India House, December 30, 1780.

**T**HE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies having on the 22d Instant consented by Ballot to restore Richard Becker, Esq; formerly a Member of the Council at Bengal, to the Company's Service, in which more than Three Parts in Four concurred, agreeable to the Act of Parliament of the 13th Year of His present Majesty, for establishing certain Regulations for the said Company:

Notice is hereby given, that at the General Court of the said Company appointed to be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Wednesday the 17th of January next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, the Resolution of the said Court of Directors, relative to Mr. Becker, will be offered to the Consideration of the General Court.

St. James's, December 16, 1780.

**W**HEREAS it has been humbly represented to the King, that in the Night of Wednesday the 6th, or in the Morning of Thursday the 7th Instant, a Fire broke out in the Accompting-house of Mr. Joseph George Pedley, Corn-factor, in Little King-street in the City of Bristol; and that there is great Reason to suspect the same was wilfully and maliciously set on Fire by some Person or Persons unknown:

His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in setting Fire to the said Accompting-house, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any of them, (except the Person who actually set Fire thereto) who shall discover his, her, or their Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

#### STORMONT.

And, as a further Encouragement, a Reward of One Hundred Guineas is hereby promised to any Accomplice (except as before excepted) or other Person making such Discovery as aforesaid, within the Space of Two Months from the Date hereof, or who shall, within that Time, give Information to Mr. Hughes, Mr. Burges, or Mr. Kirby, Attornies at Law, in Bristol, of any Facts that may tend to the Discovery and Bringing to Justice of the said Offender or Offenders; such Reward to be paid by the said Attornies, upon the Conviction of any one or more of the said Offenders.

Jn<sup>o</sup> Blagden, of Gray's-inn, Agent for Mess. Hughes, Burges and Kirby.

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**T**O be peremptorily sold, pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, and a subsequent Order, (made in a Cause, Broadmead against Wood) by Public Survey or Outcry, on Saturday the 20th of January instant, at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Castle Tavern, in Taunton, in the County of Somerset, before Mr. Manley, a Person appointed by John Hett, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, for that Purpose, The Fee Simple and Inheritance of a capital Messuage and Tenement, with the Appurtenances, called Shircombe, in the Parish of Kingfishampton in the said County, containing by Estimation 160 Acres, or thereabouts, together with an unlimited Right of Common for all Manner of Cattle on a large and extensive Common adjoining, called Brondon, formerly the Estate of Herman Ball, Gentleman, deceased, and late in the Possession of Philip Hodge, but now in the Possession of John Lifcombe. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's Chambers, in Symond's-inn, Chancery-lane, London; or of the said Mr. Manley, at Cradock in the County of Devon.

**T**HE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Robert Bogle and William Scott, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupts Estate and Effects, on Wednesday the 10th of January instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, at Newman's Coffee-house, Cornhill, in order to assent to or dissent from their accepting a small Composition now offered for a considerable Debt due to the said Bankrupts Estate on Bond; and for empowering the Assignees to give a Discharge for the Debt.

**T**HE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against John Brown the Younger, of Sandford in the County of Devon, Serge-maker, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Saturday the 13th of January instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at the Ship Inn, in Crediton, Devon, to assent to or dissent from their commencing, prosecuting or defending, one or more Suit of Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to the compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter in Dispute relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

Notice to the Creditors of Mess. Wilton, Thomson, and White, in Company, Merchants in Greenock; of Mess. Wilton and Thomson in Company, Merchants in Greenock; and of William Wilton, Merchant in Glasgow.

**T**HESE are intimating to all Concerned, That, upon the Applications of the said two Companies, and of the said William Wilton as an Individual, the Court of Session, on the 18th Day of November last, sequestrated the whole Personal Estate of the said Company of Mess. Wilton, Thomson, and White, and of the said Mess. Wilton and Thomson, and of the said William Wilton, situated within the Jurisdiction of the Court; and thereafter, upon the Application of a considerable Number of the Creditors of the said two Companies, and of the said William Wilton, respectively, the Court, on the 29th Day of said November, appointed William Walker, Merchant in Glasgow, to be Factor upon the whole of these three Personal Estates; all in Terms of the Act of Parliament of the Twelfth Year of His present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for rendering the Payment of the Creditors of Insolvent Debtors in Scotland more equal and expeditious."

The said William Walker, therefore, in Terms of the said Act, and of an Order of Court, hereby requires the whole Creditors of the said two Companies, and of the said William Wilton, respectively, by themselves, or their Attornies or Agents properly authorised, to meet within the House of Patrick Heron, Vintner in Glasgow, on Wednesday the 24th Day of January instant, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, in order to their continuing him Factor on the said sequestrated Estates, or either of them, or chusing another Factor or Factors, or a Trustee or Trustees, in his Place.

*William Walker.*

**A**NY Persons who are possessed of Bonds or other Securities entered into by Matthew Gregory, Esq; late of the Island of Jamaica, deceased, either jointly with William Lewis, Esq; deceased formerly of the Parish of Westmorland in Jamaica, or on his Account, are desired to send in the Particulars of such Securities to Lee and Allen, Bedford-square.

**A**LL Persons indebted to the Estate of Thomas Salter, late of the Little Old Bailey, London, Coffin-maker and Undertaker, deceased, are hereby required to pay their respective Debts to Mr. Benjamin Sealy, of Austin Friars, or they will be sued for the same without further Notice. And the Creditors (if any) who have not delivered in an Account of their respective Demands on the said Estate are desired to send in the same as above, by the 23d Day of January instant, when the Debts due from the said Deceased will be liquidated and paid, or a Dividend made thereon.

**T**HE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against John Fletcher, of New Broad-street, London, Insurer, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of his Estate and Effects, on Tuesday next, precisely at Twelve o'Clock, at the George and Vulture Tavern, Cornhill, to assent to or dissent from their commencing, prosecuting, or defending any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity for Recovery of any Part of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and also to determine what annual or other Recompence or Satisfaction shall be made to the Gentlemen, who, at the Request of a considerable Body of the Creditors, have undertaken the principal Management and Conduct of the said Bankrupt's Affairs.

**T**HE Creditors of William Hickman, late of Newgate-street, London, Laccman, who have already proved their Debts under his Estate, and received a first Dividend of 3s. in the Pound, may receive a Final Dividend of Nine-pence Halfpenny in the Pound, by applying to Mr. Henry Winstanley, No. 147, in Cheap-side, any Monday, from Nine o'Clock till Two. And the Creditors who have not proved their Debts, or signed the Deed of Trust, may, by Application to Mr. Wood, Attorney, No. 58, Fore-street, receive the Benefit of those Dividends, on conforming with the other Creditors.

**T**HE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against William Milligan, of Kirkby Kendal in the County of Westmorland, Linen-draper, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of his Estate and Effects, on Thursday the 25th of January instant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the House of Mr. John Atkinson, called the Coffee-house, situate in Kirkby Kendal aforesaid, in order to assent to or

dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

**T**HE Creditors of Mr. Robert James, late of Abberley in the County of Worcester, since his Bankruptcy, and prior to his late Insolvency, are desired to meet the Assignee of his Estate and Effects, on Monday the 8th of January instant, at Four in the Afternoon, at the Hop-pole Inn in the City of Worcester, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignee's commencing, prosecuting, or defending any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Insolvent's Estate and Effects; or to his compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and also respecting a certain Deed of Trust intended to be made of the said Insolvent's Estate and Effects; and on other special Affairs.

**T**HE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against George Nelson, late of St. Swithin's-lane in the City of London, Merchant, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignee of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Tuesday the 16th Day of January instant, at One o'Clock in the Afternoon, at Mr. Parnter's, No. 13, London-street, Fenchurch-street, to assent to or dissent from the Assignee's commencing, prosecuting, or defending, any Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; and to the compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing to, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

**W**HEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Bullock, late of Sheffield in the County of York, but now a Prisoner in the Custody of the Chief Bailiff of the Liberty of Hallamshire in the said County of York, Anvil-maker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 15th and 16th Days of January instant, and on the 13th Day of February next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon on each of the said Days, at the House of William Stretton, called the Milton's Head, in the Town of Nottingham, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Lowe, Attorney, in Nottingham.

**W**HEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Strangeways, late of West Harding-street, London, Pawnbroker, but now of the Strand in the County of Middlesex, Salesman, Hardwareman, Dealer and Chapman, (a Prisoner in the Custody of the Marshal of the King's Bench Prison) and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 8th Day of January instant at Twelve of the Clock at Noon, on the 16th Day of the same Month, and on the 13th Day of February following at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Thomas, Great Trinity-lane, London.

**W**HEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Quintin Woolnough, of Alderton in the County of Suffolk, Brick-maker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 12th and 13th Days of January instant, and on the 13th Day of February next, at Ten in the Forenoon on each Day, at the Golden Lion,



Lien, in Ipswich, Suffolk, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Richard Wood, Attorney, in Melton, Suffolk.

**T**HE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against William Milligan, of Kirkby Kendal in the County of Westmorland, Linen-draper, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 25th Day of January instant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Mr. Atkinson's, the Coffee-house, in Kirkby Kendal, in order to make a Further Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

**T**HE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Benjamin Toft, of Glamford Briggs in the County of Lincoln, Merchant, intend to meet on the 25th Day of January instant, at Ten in the Forenoon, at the Angel, in Glamford Briggs aforesaid, in order to make a Further Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

**T**HE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against Joseph Thomas and Benjamin Thomas, of the City of Hereford, Coach-makers and Copartners, intend to meet on the 26th Day of January instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, at the Swan and Falcon Inn, in Hereford, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are desired to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

**T**HE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Thomas Jones, of the Borough of Southwark in the County of Surry, Hop-merchant, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 30th Day of January instant, at Ten in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a First and Final Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

**T**HE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against John Parrock, of Oxford-street in the Parish of St. Mary le Bone in the County of Middlesex, Upholder, Carpet-manufacturer, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 27th Day of January instant, at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

**T**HE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against Randle Norris and William Grosvenor, of Falcon-square, Aldersgate-street, in the City of London, Wholesale Hardwarer, Factors, Dealers, Chapman and Copartners, intend to meet on the 30th Day of Janu-

ary instant, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, (and not To-morrow, the 3d Instant, as before advertised) at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the Estate and Effects of the said Bankrupts; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

**T**HE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Thomas Woods, of Stratford upon Avon in the County of Warwick, Linen-draper, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 23d Day of January instant, at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the Estate and Effects of the said Bankrupts; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are desired to come and prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

**W**HEREAS the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Joseph Bell, of Clerkenwell-clofe in the County of Middlesex, Watch-case-maker, Dealer and Chapman, have certified to the Right Honourable Edward Lord Thurlow, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said Joseph Bell hath conformed to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that, by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 23d Day of January instant.

**W**HEREAS the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Thomas Jernegan, of Winchester-street in the City of London, Dealer and Chapman, have certified to the Right Honourable Edward Lord Thurlow, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said Thomas Jernegan hath in all Things conformed himself according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that, by Virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 23d Day of January instant.

**W**HEREAS the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Curtis, of Eaton Bridge in the County of Kent, Shopkeeper, Dealer and Chapman, have certified to the Right Honourable Edward Lord Thurlow, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said John Curtis hath in all Things conformed himself according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice that, by Virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before 23d Day of January instant.

**W**HEREAS the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Woodyer, of Cambridge in the County of Cambridge, Bookseller, Stationer, Dealer and Chapman, have certified to the Right Hon. Edward Lord Thurlow, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said John Woodyer hath in all Things conformed himself according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice that, by Virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 23d Day of January instant.