

dr d Pounds Sterling, which Bail shall be to the Effect and in the Form following :

**WHICH** Day, Time, and Place Personally appeared and who submitting themselves to the Jurisdiction of the High Court of Admiralty of England, obliged themselves, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, in the Sum of Pounds of lawful Money of Great-Britain, to this Effect ; That is to say, That Whereas

is duly authorized by Letters of Marque and Reprizals, with the Ship called the of the Burthen Tons, whereof he the said goeth Master, by Force of Arms to attack, surprize, seize, and take all Ships and Vessels, Goods, Wares and Merchandizes, Chattels and Effects, belonging to the States-General of the United Provinces, or their Subjects, or others inhabiting within any of the Territories of the aforesaid States-General, excepting only within the Harbours or Roads within Shot of the Cannon of Princes and States in Amity with His Majesty. And whereas he the said

hath a Copy of certain Instructions, approved of and passed by His Majesty in Council, as by the Tenor of the said Letters of Marque and Reprizals, and Instructions thereto relating, more at large appeareth. If therefore nothing be done by the said or any of his Officers, Mariners, or Company, contrary to the true Meaning of the said Instructions, and of all other Instructions which may be issued in like Manner hereafter, and whereof due Notice shall be given him, but that the Letters of Marque and Reprizals aforesaid, and the said Instructions, shall in all Particulars be well and duly observed and performed, as far as they shall the said Ship, Master, and Company any way concern ; and if they shall give full Satisfaction for any Damage or Injury which shall be done by them, or by any of them, to any of His Majesty's Subjects, or of Foreign States in Amity with His Majesty ; and also shall duly and truly pay, or cause to be paid, to His Majesty ; or the Customers or Officers appointed to receive the same for His Majesty, the usual Customs due to His Majesty, of and for all Ships and Goods so as aforesaid taken and adjudged for Prize : And moreover if the said shall not take any Ship or Vessel, or any Goods or Merchandizes, belonging to the Enemy, or otherwise liable to Confiscation, through Consent, or clandestinely, or by Collusion, by Virtue, Colour, or Pretence of his said Letters of Marque and Reprizals, that then this Bail shall be void, and of none Effect ; and unless they shall so do, they do all hereby severally consent that Execution shall issue forth against them, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Goods and Chattels, wheresoever the same shall be found, to the Value of the Sum of

Pounds before mentioned : And in Testimony of the Truth thereof they have hereunto subscribed their Names.

By His Majesty's Command,

STORMONT.

GEORGE R.

An ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTION to the Commanders and Officers of all Our (L. S.) Ships, and of all Vessels having Letters of Marque and Reprizals against the French King, the King of Spain, and the States-General of the United Provinces, or their Subjects, or others inhabiting their Territories and Dominions : Also against the Inhabitants of Our Rebellious Colonies in America, and all others going to, or coming from trading in, the said Colonies ; by virtue of Our several Commissions, bearing Date the Fifth Day of August, 1778, the Twentieth Day of June, 1779, the Twentieth Day of December, 1780, and by virtue of

an Act of Parliament passed in the Seventeenth Year of Our Reign. Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Fifteenth Day of February, 1781, and in the Twenty-first Year of Our Reign.

**W**HEREAS, notwithstanding Our former strict Instructions to the several Commanders aforesaid, that nothing be in any ways attempted against the Ships, Vessels, and Goods of any Prince or State in Amity with Us, or of their Subjects, it hath happened that some Irregularities have been committed by some of the aforesaid Commanders : To prevent all such Abuses of Our Commissions for the future, and to remove every just Cause of Complaint, We do hereby strictly charge and enjoin the most exact Attention and Obedience to Our said Instructions in respect to Princes or States in Amity with Us, and their Subjects, warning them and all Persons concerned in said Vessels, that they will be inevitably compelled to make the most complete and ample Restitution and Amends for any Injuries which shall be proved to have been done by them to the Persons or Effects of Neutrals, and will further incur such Punishment as may be by Law inflicted upon the Contraveners of Our Orders in this Behalf, and of Our known Regard to Justice, and to the Interest of all Powers, and their Subjects, who are in Amity with Us and Our Dominions.

By His Majesty's Command,

STORMONT.

AT the Court at St. James's, the 23d of March, 1781,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS it having been represented to His Majesty, That, under the Authority of the Act passed last Session of Parliament, to protect Goods and Merchandize, of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture of the Islands of Grenada and the Grenadines, on Board Neutral Vessels, bound to Neutral Ports, during the present Hostilities ; and, by virtue of the Articles of Capitulation for the Islands of St. Vincent and Dominica, many Ships and Vessels belonging to the States General of the United Provinces have been and may be cleared out with Goods and Merchandize, of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture of the said Islands, designed for some Neutral Port, and may be now proceeding, or shall proceed, upon their respective Voyages ; His Majesty, taking the same into His Royal Consideration, and being actuated at all Times by Motives of humane Regard to the Interests of Individuals, and from a Desire to prevent their suffering by any Surprise, did, on the 29th Day of December last, declare, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, That all Ships and Vessels belonging to the States General of the United Provinces, which shall be employed in carrying Cargoes of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture of either or any of the said Islands of Grenada, the Grenadines, St. Vincent, and Dominica, shall, during the Space of Four Months from the said 29th Day of December, be considered, in all Respects, as Neutral Vessels going to Neutral Ports, within the Meaning and Spirit of the said Act of the last Session of Parliament, and of the said Articles of Capitulation above recited, and shall not be liable to be detained or molested by any of His Majesty's Ships of War, or Merchant Ships having Letters of Marque and General Reprizals, otherwise than they would have been antecedent to the Publication of His Majesty's Royal Manifesto of the 20th of December, and His Majesty's Order for granting General Reprizals against the Ships, Goods, and Subjects of the States General of the United Provinces :— And whereas it has been represented to His Majesty, by sundry Proprietors and Merchants interested in the said Islands, that the said Term of Four Months, allowed by the said Order in Council of the 29th of December last, will not be sufficient for loading the said Ships, and for completing their Voyages, owing to the late Hurricane, and other Accidents occasioned thereby in the said Islands ; and