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AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 31st of December, 1783,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

THIS Day the Right Honourable Henneage Earl of Aylesford, the Right Honourable Thomas Lord Walsingham, and the Right Honourable William Wyndham Grenville, were, by His Majesty's Command: sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took their respective Places at the Board accordingly.

His Majesty having been graciously pleased to deliver the Custody of the Seals of the Duchy and County Palatine of Lancaster to the Right Honourable Thomas Earl of Clarendon, the Oath of Chancellor of the said Duchy was this Day, by His Majesty's Command, administered to his Lordship.

St. James's, January 2.

Yesterday the Earl of Chesterfield had the Honour to kiss the King's Hand on being appointed His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the King of Spain.

And this Day Arthur Stanhope, Esq; had the Honour to kiss the King's Hand on being appointed His Majesty's Secretary of Embassy to the King of Spain.

The King has been pleased to appoint the Earl of Aylesford to be Captain of the Yeomen of His Majesty's Guard.

Lord De Ferrars to be Captain of His Majesty's Band of Gentlemen Pensioners.

And the Earl of Galloway to be one of the Gentlemen of His Majesty's Bedchamber.

By the KING,

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

Requiring Passes, formerly granted to Ships and Vessels trading in the Way of the Cruizers belonging to the Governments on the Coast of Barbary, to be returned in to the Office of the Admiralty of Great Britain, and other Passes of different Forms to be issued.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS by Our Royal Proclamation, bearing Date the Twenty-eighth Day of August, in the Sixteenth Year of Our Reign, We did charge and command all Our loving Subjects who then were, or should be, possessed of any Passes for Ships and Vessels belonging to Our Subjects trading to Portugal, the Canaries, Guinea, the Indies, into the Mediterranean, or elsewhere, in the Way of the Cruizers belonging to the Governments on the Coast of Barbary, (except such Passes as had been granted to Ships gone or going

to the East Indies, or other remote Voyages, where they could not be timely furnished with New Passes) that they should, before the Thirty-first Day of August, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven, return the same, and furnish themselves with Passes of a new Form, under the Hands and Seals of the Commissioners for executing the Office of High Admiral of Great Britain and Ireland, in lieu thereof, for their several Ships and Vessels, in such Manner as by the said recited Proclamation was directed: And whereas it hath been humbly represented unto Us, that there is the greatest Reason to believe, that many of Our Passes may, either by Accident, or undue Means, have fallen into the Hands of Foreigners, who, by Colour of such Passes, may carry on their Trade; We, taking the Premises into Our Royal Consideration, and judging it necessary to put a speedy Stop to all such indirect Practices, which do not only tend to the Prejudice of Our Trading Subjects, but may occasion a Misunderstanding between Us and the Governments on the Coast of Barbary, for preventing thereof, have thought fit, by the Advice of Our Privy Council, to publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby declare, That all such Passes of the present Form, now in being, shall not continue in Force longer than till the Thirty-first Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and eighty-four, (except such Passes as have been granted to Ships gone or going to the East Indies, or other remote Voyages, where they cannot be timely furnished with New Passes; and that in such Case, the Passes of the present Form do continue in Force for Two Years, from and after the said Thirty first Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and eighty-four). And We do hereby strictly charge and command all Our loving Subjects, who are or shall be possessed of any such Passes, that they do, before the Thirty-first Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and eighty-four, return the same (except such as are before excepted) into the Office of the Admiralty of Great Britain, or to the respective Collectors of Our Customs at the Out-Ports of Great Britain and Ireland, or to the Governors of some of Our Foreign Plantations or Dominions, in order to their being cancelled; and that they do furnish themselves with Passes of a new Form, under the Hands and Seals of Our Commissioners for executing the Office of High Admiral of Great Britain and Ireland, in lieu thereof, for their several Ships and Vessels, according to the Treaty subsisting between Us and the said Governments on the Coast of Barbary, and the Regulations made by Our Royal Predecessor King George the First, by Order in His Privy Council on the fourteenth Day of June, in the Year One thousand seven hundred and twenty-two, so far as the same remain unaltered by

[Price Seven-Pence.]