

this Board, that it will tend greatly to the Advantage of Trade for a general Order in Council to be issued to permit and allow Salt Petre and Gunpowder to be carried Coastwise, in small Quantities, under certain Restrictions to be prescribed by the said Order; His Majesty, taking the same into Consideration, is hereby pleased, with the Advice of His Privy Council, to order that Salt Petre and Gunpowder be permitted to be carried Coastwise to and from any of the Ports of this Kingdom, notwithstanding any Thing contained in His Majesty's Order in Council of the 7th of this instant December; provided that no greater Quantity of Salt Petre and Gunpowder be shipped, or laden or carried Coastwise, at any One Time, in any One Ship or Vessel, than One Ton of Salt Petre and Fifty Barrels of Gunpowder, except such as shall be shipped, laden and carried Coastwise by Direction of the Master-General, Lieutenant-General, and Principal Officers of the Ordnance, for His Majesty's Service; and also except such as shall be shipped, laden and carried Coastwise, under Leave or Permission in that Behalf from His Majesty, or His Privy Council; and provided also that sufficient Security be first given to the proper Officers of His Majesty's Customs, in Treble the Value of the Salt Petre and Gunpowder intended to be sent Coastwise, to carry the same to the Places proposed, and none other; and that a Certificate or Certificates be produced, within Two Months from the Date of the Bond, from the proper Officers of the Customs at the Ports for which the respective Quantities of Salt Petre and Gunpowder shall be shipped, of the same having been duly landed at such Ports; in Failure of which the Bonds to be immediately put in Suit; which Certificate or Certificates the Commissioners of the Customs are hereby required to transmit to the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, in order to be laid before this Board: And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary Directions herein accordingly.

*Steph. Cottrell.*

*Whitehall, December 12.*

HIS Majesty has been pleased to order and direct the Lords Lieutenants of the several Counties undermentioned to embody such Part of the Militia Forces of the said Counties as has been trained and exercised in the present Year, viz.

- Berks.*
- Bucks.*
- Cornwall.*
- Devon.*
- Dorset.*
- Herts.*
- Surrey.*
- Southampton.*
- Suffex.*

*St. James's, December 14*

*Ceremonial of the Knighthood and Investiture of Major-General Sir William Medows, Knight of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath; to which Honor His Majesty was graciously pleased to nominate him on the 15th of August last.*

THE Knights and Officers of the Order attending in the Privy Chamber, in their Mantles, Collars, &c. proceeded from thence, after the Levee, into the Sovereign's Presence, making the usual Reverences, in the following Order:

- Gentleman Usher of the Order, in his Mantle, Chain and Badge, bearing the Scarlet Rod.
- Deputy Bath King of Arms, in the Mantle, Chain and Badge of Bath, bearing the Ribbon and Badge of the Order on a Crimson Velvet Cushion.
- Knights Companions.
- Right Hon. Sir George Yonge, Bart.
- Sir William Fawcett.
- Right Hon. Sir William Howe.
- Sir George Howard.
- Sir Robert Murray Keith.
- Sir Ralph Payne.
- Lord Howard.
- Lord Amherst.

His Royal Highness the Duke of York and Albany, First and Principal Companion.

Then, by the Sovereign's Command, Sir William Medows was introduced into the Presence between the Right Honorable Sir George Yonge and Sir William Fawcett, the Two Junior Knights present, preceded by the Gentleman Usher of the Order, with Reverences as before.

The Sword of State was delivered to the Sovereign by Lord Amherst, the Second Knight in Seniority; and General Medows kneeling was knighted thereof: Then His Royal Highness the Duke of York, Senior Knight, presented the Ribbon and Badge to the Sovereign, and His Majesty put them over the new Knight's Right Shoulder, who, being thus invested, had the Honor to kiss His Majesty's Hand, and the Procession returned to the Privy Chamber in the Order as abovementioned.

The Ceremony was performed in His Majesty's Closet, several Great Officers of the Court being present.

*Whitehall, December 18.*

The following Address of the Moderator and Ministers of the Presbytery of Strathbogie having been transmitted by the Reverend Mr. Milne, to the Right Hon. Henry Dundas, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, has been by him presented to the King: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's dutiful Subjects, the Moderator and Ministers of the Presbytery of Strathbogie, met in Presbytery, beg Leave, on the present Occasion, to approach your Majesty, to express our Loyalty and our sacred Regard to those Principles which seated your Illustrious House on the Throne of Britain.

Attached as we are to our happy Constitution, we behold with Abhorrence every Attempt which is made to infuse Jealousy and Discontent into the Minds of your Majesty's Subjects, and, under the specious Name of Liberty, to introduce Anarchy and Confusion.

As Ministers of the Gospel of Peace, it shall be our Business, as it is our Duty, to cherish in those under our Care a Spirit of Piety, to inculcate a Love of