

otherwise, by His Majesty's Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, shall and may lawfully seize all Ships, Vessels and Goods belonging to the King of Spain, or his Subjects, or others inhabiting within the Territories of the King of Spain, and bring the same to Judgment in any of the Courts of Admiralty within His Majesty's Dominions; and to that End His Majesty's Advocate-General, with the Advocate of the Admiralty, are forthwith to prepare the Draught of a Commission, and present the same to His Majesty at this Board, authorizing the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, or any Person or Persons by them empowered and appointed, to issue forth and grant Letters of Marque and Reprisals, to any of His Majesty's Subjects, or others whom the said Commissioners shall deem fitly qualified in that Behalf, for the apprehending, seizing and taking the Ships, Vessels and Goods belonging to Spain, and the Vassals and Subjects of the King of Spain, or any inhabiting within his Countries, Territories or Dominions; and that such Powers and Clauses be inserted in the said Commission as have been usual, and are according to former Precedents. And His Majesty's said Advocate-General, with the Advocate of the Admiralty, are also forthwith to prepare the Draught of a Commission, and present the same to His Majesty at this Board, authorizing the said Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, to will and require the High Court of Admiralty of Great Britain, and the Lieutenant and Judge of the said Court, his Surrogate or Surrogates, as also the several Courts of Admiralty within His Majesty's Dominions, to take Cognizance of, and judicially proceed upon, all and all Manner of Captures, Seizures, Prizes and Reprisals of all Ships and Goods that are or shall be taken, and to hear and determine the same; and, according to the Course of Admiralty and the Laws of Nations, to adjudge and condemn all such Ships, Vessels and Goods as shall belong to Spain, or the Vassals and Subjects of the King of Spain, or to any others inhabiting within any of His Countries, Territories and Dominions; and that such Powers and Clauses be inserted in the said Commission as have been usual and are according to former Precedents; and they are likewise to prepare and lay before His Majesty, at this Board, a Draught of such Instructions as may be proper to be sent to the Courts of Admiralty in His Majesty's Foreign Governments and Plantations

for their Guidance herein; as also another Draught of Instructions for such Ships as shall be commissioned for the Purposes aforementioned.

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MACARTNEY.
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Westminster, November 11, 1796.

THIS Day the Lords being met, a Message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by Mr. Quarme, the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords, authorized by virtue of His Majesty's Commission for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to*

An Act for providing an Augmentation to the Militia, to be trained and exercised in the Manner therein directed; and for enabling His Majesty to cause the same to be embodied, in Case of Necessity, for the Defence of these Kingdoms.

An Act for raising a certain Number of Men in the several Counties in England, for the Service of His Majesty's Army and Navy.

An Act for raising a certain Number of Men in the several Counties, Stewartries, Royal Burghs and Towns in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, for the Service of His Majesty's Army and Navy.

An Act for enabling His Majesty to raise a provisional Force of Cavalry, to be embodied, in Case of Necessity, for the Defence of these Kingdoms.

An Act to continue for a limited Time, and amend an Act, made in the last Session of Parliament, intitled, An Act to prohibit the Exportation of Corn, Meal, Flour and Potatoes, and to permit the Importation of Corn and other Articles of Provision, for a limited Time, in any Ships whatever, without Payment of Duty; and for permitting Wheat and Wheat Flour and Meal, imported in order to obtain the Bounties granted by an Act of the last Session of Parliament, but which have not been found fit for making Bread, to be used in the Manufacture of Starch, Hair-Powder and Blue, or in the Distillation of Low Wines and Spirits.

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