

taken, whether commanding in Chief, or serving under Command: Eighthly, That the First Captain to the Admiral and Commander in Chief of Our Fleet, and also the First Captain to Our Flag Officer, appointed, or hereafter to be appointed, to command a Fleet or Squadron of Twenty Ships of the Line of Battle, and also the First Captain to Our Flag Officer appointed, or hereafter to be appointed, to command a Fleet or Squadron of Fifteen Ships of the Line of Battle (provided such last mentioned Fleet or Squadron shall be composed of His Majesty's own Ships,) shall be deemed and taken to be a Flag Officer, and shall be entitled to a Part or Share of Prizes as the junior Flag Officer of such Fleet or Squadron. And We do hereby further Order, That in 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 Chirurgion or Chirurgion's Mate (where there is no Chirurgion) Midshipmen, and Clerk and Steward, shall be *One Eighth*; that the Share of the Boatswain's, Gunner's and Carpenter's Mates, Yeoman of the Sheets, Sailmaker, Quarter Master and Quarter Master's Mate, shall be *One Eighth*; and the Share of the Seamen, 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-fifth Day of January, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, and in the Thirty-seventh Year of Our Reign.

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AT the Court at St. James's, the 25th of January, 1797,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Two Acts, One passed in the Thirty-sixth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to prohibit, for a limited

"Time, the making of Starch, Hair-Powder, and Blue, from Wheat and other Articles of Food, and for lowering the Duties on the Importation of Starch, and of other Articles made thereof;" the other passed in this present Session of Parliament for continuing the said Act until the 1st Day of February, 1798, it is enacted, that in case His Majesty, at any Time or Times after the passing of the said first mentioned Act, should in his Royal Discretion, judge it most for the Benefit and Advantage of this Kingdom to permit the making of Starch from Wheat, Barley, Rice, Grain, Potatoes, Flour, Meal, or any other Article or Thing used for the Food of Man, that then it shall be lawful to and for His Majesty, by His Royal Proclamation or Proclamations, to be issued by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, or by Majesty's Order in Council to be published in the London Gazette, from Time to Time, to permit and suffer all and every Person and Persons, Natives and Foreigners (but not any particular Persons) at any Time or Times after the passing of the said Act, to make Starch from Wheat, Barley, Rice, Potatoes, Flour, Meal, or any other Article or Thing used for the Food of Man: And whereas it has appeared to His Majesty that it would be for the Benefit and Advantage of this Kingdom to permit the making of Starch from any of the Articles before mentioned; His Majesty is thereupon pleased, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, according to the said Acts, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that, from and after the Date hereof it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons as aforesaid to make Starch from any of the Articles before mentioned, any Thing in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding: And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary Directions herein accordingly.

W. Farwaker.

AT the Court at St. James's, the 25th of January, 1797,

P R E S E N T.

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Time limited by His Majesty's Order in Council of the Twentieth of July last, prohibiting the transporting into any Parts out of this Kingdom any Pig-Iron, Bar-Iron, Hemp, Pitch, Tar, Rosin, Turpentine, Anchors, Cables, Cordage, Masts, Yards, Bowspits, Oars, Oakum, Oker, Sheet-Copper, or other Naval Stores, will expire upon this Day: And whereas it is judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, and the Safety of this Kingdom, that the said Prohibition should be continued for some Time longer; His Majesty doth therefore, with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby order, require, prohibit and command, that no Person or Persons whatsoever do at any Time, for the Space of Six Months, to commence from the Date hereof, presume to transport into any Parts out of this Kingdom, any Pig-Iron, Bar-Iron, Hemp, Pitch, Tar, Rosin, Turpentine, Anchors, Cables, Cordage, Masts, Yards, Bowspits, Oars, Oakum, Oker, Sheet-Copper, or other Naval Stores, or ship or lade any of the Articles above mentioned on board any Ship or Vessel, in order to transporting the same into any Parts beyond the Seas, without Leave or Permission being first

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