

*Westminster, December 17, 1798.*

**T**HIS Day the Lords being met, a Message was sent to the Honorable House of Commons by Sir Francis Molyneux, Gentleman 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 Honorable 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 continuing and granting to His Majesty certain Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.

An Act for continuing and granting to His Majesty a Duty on Penfions, Offices, and Personal Estates, in England, Wales, and the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and certain Duties on Sugar, Malt, Tobacco, and Snuff, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.

An Act for settling and securing a certain Annuity on Horatio Nelson Lord Nelson, and the two next Persons to whom the Title of Baron Nelson of the Nile, and of Burnham Thorpe, in the County of Norfolk, shall descend, in Consideration of the eminent Service performed by the said Horatio Nelson Lord Nelson, to His Majesty and the Public.

An Act further to continue, until the Expiration of Six Weeks after the Commencement of the next Session of Parliament, an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh Years of His present Majesty, Chapter Seventy, videlicet, on the Sixth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, for the better Prevention and Punishment of Attempts to seduce Persons, serving in His Majesty's Forces by Sea or Land, from their Duty and Allegiance to His Majesty, or to incite them to Mutiny or Disobedience.

#### NOTICE to MARINERS.

*Copenhagen, August 30, 1798.*

**I**N order to render those Mariners who frequent the Port of Bergen more confident of their Situation when on that Coast, particularly when sailing to and from the said Port by Skuddenees, a new Lantern-Light has been erected on the Point of that Naze, which will begin to burn on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January, 1799, and continue on the same Regulations as the Rest of the Lights, viz. during the Summer, from Easter till Michaelmas, when it will be lit One Hour after the Setting of the Sun; and during the Winter, from Michaelmas till Easter, it then being lit Half an Hour after the Setting of the Sun, and continuing to burn till Day-light. It is further made known, that this Lantern will be hoisted on a Mast or Pole, close to which a Shed is built and painted White; therefore the same must be seen very plainly in those Directions in which it presents itself to View. The Lantern will be about Three Hundred Feet above the Surface of the

Water. It is already known that there has long been a Coal-Light on the Isles of Hvidding, and a Lantern-Light close to Hoyvarden, the latter serving when one has entered Carmsound, to assist in choosing a good Berth to anchor in. Whenever one may wish to bear away for the Bay and enter Carmsound, one ought, with due Attention, be able to distinguish the Light of Skuddenees and Hvidding Isles. This last, which is suspended between Two Poles, gives a Blaze-Light, but that on the Skuddenees, as has been observed, is a Lantern, and gives a clear and steady Light; and besides, this Light cannot be seen when one comes from the Westward, unless one is so much to the Southward that the Cliff of Gixtongen does not interrupt the View of it, or that you have it due N. E. by E.: And in this Point of the Compass, the Navigation is clear from Hvidding Isles; one may therefore, if one got Sight first of one Light, and were in Doubt a short Time which of them it was, steer a little East, for were it Skuddenees Light that appeared, one would shortly after see the Blaze of Hvidding Isles, unless it were a Fog, hazy Weather, or Snow Storm. If, however, by steering more to the Eastward, another Light does soon appear, it must naturally be that on Hvidding Isles, and one may then by Soundings set one's Course accordingly and take a View of the other, since, if from the Situation of Skuddenees Light being hidden from the high Land, a Light appears more to the Eastward, than due N. E. by E. be assured it must be Hvidding Isles. Knowing this, one may with Safety keep under Skuddenees, as one may now by the new Light know to a Certainty where the Bite is, and accordingly run in under the Land, and so into Carmsound. When one comes near the Smorf-takken, one may expect to see all the Three Lights; and again, if the Light of Skuddenees is hidden by the high Land, then the Two others, particularly that close to Hoyvarden, will prove sufficient to direct one to a good Anchorage in this Harbour. But if one is unacquainted, and will not venture to run into Carmsound without Pilot, or other Obstacles presenting themselves, then the Lights on the Isle of Hvidding and Skuddenees will prove a remarkable Assistance to those who find themselves obliged to cruise here during the Night; but in that Case it is absolutely necessary to be particularly attentive that the Current (which is frequently very strong here) does not drive the Vessel on either Side.

*Exchequer-Bill-Office, Dec. 13, 1798.*

**T**HE Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have given Directions for paying off Exchequer-Bills bearing the following Dates, viz. all Bills dated the 27<sup>th</sup> September, the 11<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> of November, 1797, issued pursuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the 37<sup>th</sup> Year of His present Majesty's Reign, for raising a certain Sum of Money, by Loans or Exchequer-Bills, for the Service of the Year 1797; and that the Principal and Interest on such Bills shall be paid at the Exchequer-Bill-Office, in Saint Margaret's-Street, between the two Palace-Yards, Westminster, on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 1799; and Attendance will be given on Monday next the 17<sup>th</sup> of this instant December, and every succeeding Day