

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 the 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 hereinbefore 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 Boat-swain's, Gunner's, and Carpenter's Mates, Yeomen 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 aiding 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 Saint James's the Twelfth Day of February One thousand eight hundred, and in the Fortieth Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

AT the Court at St. James's, the 12th of February 1800,

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 Third Day of July last, prohibiting the exporting into any Parts out of this Kingdom any Sheet Copper, or Copper in Bolts, Bars, Sheets, Rings, and Nails, or Copper in such a State as may be easily converted into or made useful as a Naval Store, has expired: and whereas it is expedient for His Ma-

esty'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 of this His Majesty's Order in Council, presume to export out of this Kingdom to any Parts beyond the Seas, any Sheet Copper, or Copper in Bolts, Bars, Sheets, Rings, and Nails, or Copper in such a State as may be easily converted into or made useful as a Naval Store; or ship or lade any of the Articles abovementioned on board any Ship or Vessel, in order to exporting the same beyond the Seas, without Leave or Permission being first had and obtained from His Majesty or his Privy Council, upon Pain of incurring the Forfeitures inflicted by an Act passed in the Thirty-third Year of His Majesty's Reign, Chap. 2.; and also by an Act passed in the Thirty-fourth Year of His Majesty's Reign, Chap. 34, any Thing contained in His Majesty's Order in Council of the Eleventh Day of December last to the contrary notwithstanding: and the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, and the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, are to give the necessary Directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

W. Fawkenor.

Downing-Street, February 19, 1800.

The King has been pleased to cause it to be signified by the Right Honorable Lord Grenville, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to the Ministers of Neutral Powers residing at this Court, that the Port of Genoa is to be considered as blockaded by His Majesty's Naval Forces; and that all Vessels attempting to enter into the said Port will be dealt with according to the Principles of the Law of Nations, and to the Stipulations of such Treaties subsisting between His Majesty and Foreign Powers, as contain any Provisions applicable to the Cases of Towns, Ports, or Places in a State of Blockade.

Westminster, February 20, 1800.

THIS 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 until the Expiration of Six Weeks after the Commencement of the next Session of Parliament an Act made in the Thirty-