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AT the Court at the *Queen's Palace*, the 14th of November 1804,¹

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS His Majesty was pleased, by His Order in Council, bearing Date the Twenty-ninth of July One thousand eight hundred, to direct, that all Ships and Vessels not having the Plague or other infectious Disorder or Distemper, which shall, by His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, have been declared to be of the Nature of the Plague, actually on board, coming from or through the Mediterranean, or from the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean with clean Bills of Health; and all Ships and Vessels whatsoever, having on board Cotton-Wool, (except Ships and Vessels coming directly from the East Indies, or from the Continent of America, or the West Indies, loaded in Whole, or in Part, with that Commodity, being the Produce of those Parts,) or any of the Goods, Wares, or Merchandizes enumerated in the First Class, stated in the said Order, being the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture of Turkey, or of any Place in Africa, within the Streights of Gibraltar, or in the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, should, together with their Cargoes, and all Persons on board thereof, perform such Quarantine, for such Time, in such Manner, and at such Places as were therein after directed: And whereas His Majesty was further pleased, by the said Order in Council, to direct, That all such Ships and Vessels, (not having the Plague or other infectious Disease or Distemper which should have been declared as aforesaid, to be of the Nature of the Plague actually on board,) coming from or through the Mediterranean, or from the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, as should not be furnished with clean Bills of Health, should perform Quarantine in Standgate Creek, and no where else; and in case any Ship or Vessel coming from any of the Places before described not being furnished with a clean Bill of Health, should come into any of the

Out-Ports of this Kingdom, or to any of the Islands of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, or Man, the principal Officers of the Customs at such Ports, or in such Islands, or the Governor or Chief Magistrate thereof should cause such Ship or Vessel to depart from thence immediately, and proceed to Standgate Creek to perform Quarantine:

And whereas His Majesty has received Information, that an infectious Distemper has manifested itself at Malaga and other Ports of Spain, and in the Town and Garrison of Gibraltar, and has extended itself to the City of Cadiz, in the Kingdom of Spain:

And whereas by an Act passed in the Thirtieth and Fortieth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for erecting a Lazaret on Chetney Hill, in the County of Kent, and for reducing into One Act the Laws relating to Quarantine, and for making further Provisions therein;" it is amongst other Things enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, by His Royal Proclamation from Time to Time, to declare any infectious Distemper, the Communication whereof may be highly dangerous to the Health of His Majesty's Subjects, to be of the Nature of the Plague; His Majesty, in pursuance of the said Powers, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, doth deem it expedient to declare, and doth hereby declare, That the said infectious Distemper is of the Nature of the Plague, and doth adjudge it probable that such infectious Distemper may be brought to Great Britain and the Islands of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, or Man from the Ports and Places hereinafter mentioned; and His Majesty, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, judges it necessary to order, and it is hereby ordered, That the Quarantine laid by His Majesty's Order in Council of the Twenty-ninth of July One thousand eight hundred, upon all Ships and Vessels coming from or through the Mediterranean, or from the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, be strictly enforced and extended as hereinafter directed,