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AT the Court at the *Queen's Palace*, the 27th of July 1808,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled "An Act to permit Goods secured in Warehouses in the Part of London to be removed to the Out Ports for Exportation to any Part of Europe; for empowering His Majesty to direct that Licences, which His Majesty is authorized to grant under His Sign Manual, may be granted by one of the Principal Secretaries of State; and for enabling His Majesty to permit the Exportation of Goods in Vessels of less Burthen than are now allowed by Law during the present Hostilities, and until One Month after the Signature of the preliminary Articles of Peace;" it is enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty by Order in Council, or by His Royal Proclamation, to direct that all or any such Licences as, by virtue of any Act of Parliament or otherwise, His Majesty may lawfully grant under His Sign Manual, shall and may be granted by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in pursuance of an Order of Council specially authorizing the Grant of such Licences, a Duplicate of which Order shall in all Cases be annexed to such Licences; His Majesty having taken the same into His Royal Consideration, is pleased, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, to order and direct, and it is hereby ordered and directed, that all Licences which by virtue of any Acts of Parliament or otherwise His Majesty may lawfully grant under His Sign Manual touching, concerning, or in any Manner relating to Trade, Commerce, or Navigation, shall and may hereafter, and until further Order, be granted by either of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in pursuance of any Order in Council specially authorizing the Grant of such Licences; and that all Licences so granted, and having a Duplicate of such Order in Council annexed thereto, shall be as valid, and have as full Force and Effect, as if such Licences had been granted under His Majesty's Sign Manual; provided that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or taken to invalidate, or in any Manner to affect any Licences which His Majesty shall think

proper to grant under His Royal Sign Manual; but every such Licence so granted shall be of the same Force and Effect as if this Order had not been made.

Steph. Cottrell.

Admiralty-Office, August 2, 1808.

Copy of a Letter from Vice Admiral Sir James Saumarez, Bart. and K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Baltic, to the Hon. W. W. Pole, dated on board the *Victory*, off *Moon Island*, July 15, 1808.

S I R,

HEREWITH inclose, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the Copy of a Letter transmitted to me by Rear-Admiral Sir Samuel Hood, from Captain Bathurst, of His Majesty's Ship *Salfette*, stating his having chased a Sloop of War, under Russian Colours, into *Revel*, and having captured His Russian Majesty's Cutter *Apith*.

I have directed the Cutter to be surveyed and valued, being represented to be in every Respect fit for His Majesty's Service; and as Vessels of this Class are particularly required upon this Station, I propose to appoint an Officer to command her, and to man her with the Men lately exchanged from *Copenhagen*. I am, Sir, &c.

(Signed) J. SAUMAREZ.

His Majesty's Ship Salfette, off Norgen Island, June 24, 1808.

S I R,

I BEG Leave to inform you, that having Yesterday, in His Majesty's Ship *Salfette*, chased a Sloop of War under Russian Colours to *Revel*, where a Frigate and a Brig were laying, and taken a Galliot partly laden with Spirits, that was at Anchor in the Roads, in coming out with the latter saw a Cutter off the North End of *Norgen Island*, coming down with Signals up, who soon after hauled her Wind for the Land; made all Sail in chase, and closed with her at half past Eight P. M. but on opposite Tacks, and the Wind dying away at the Time she crossed us with her Sweeps out, and returned our Fire, by which, I am sorry I have to say, one, a Marine, was killed; the Wind continuing very light, and the Cutter pulling away with her Sweeps, prevented our closing again with her for some Time,