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SATURDAY, MAY 12, 1821.

AT the Court at *Carlton-House*, the 5th of May 1821,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HIS Majesty, having been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-General the Honourable Sir Edward Paget, G. C. B. to be Governor and Commander in Chief in the island of Ceylon, he this day took the oaths as Governor of the said island.

AT the Court at *Carlton-House*, the 5th of May 1821,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to enable His Majesty to direct the distribution of any reward awarded by the Commissioners of the Customs or Excise to the Officers of the Army, Navy, or Marines, for apprehending smugglers, in such manner as His Majesty shall be pleased to appoint," it was enacted that in all cases wherein the Commissioners of Customs or Excise of England, Scotland, and Ireland respectively, shall award any sum not exceeding twenty pounds as aforesaid, to any officer, officers, non-commissioned officers, petty officers, seamen, or privates of His Majesty's army, navy, or marines, or acting under the orders of the Lord High Admiral, or of the Commissioners for executing the office of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for any

person so arrested, convicted, or committed to prison as aforesaid, the same shall be divided and distributed in such proportions, and according to such rules, regulations, and orders, as His Majesty shall, by His Order or Orders in Council, or by His Royal Proclamation in that behalf, be pleased to direct and appoint :

And whereas, in pursuance of the said powers, His late Majesty was pleased, by His Order in Council of the seventeenth of September one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, to direct and appoint that the bounty money awarded for the arrest of any person or persons arrested, convicted and committed to prison, according to the provision of the laws above recited, by any officer or officers, non-commissioned officers, petty officers, seamen, or privates of His Majesty's army, navy, or marines, or acting under the orders of the Lord High Admiral, or of the Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, shall be divided and distributed amongst such officers, non-commissioned officers, petty officers, seamen, or privates of His Majesty's army, navy, or marines, or acting under the orders of the Lord High Admiral, or of the Commissioners for executing the office of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland as aforesaid, according to the rules and regulations directed and provided by His late Majesty's Order in Council of the fourteenth of October one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, for the distribution of the shares of any such seizures as are, or shall, by virtue of any Acts relating to the trade and revenues of His Majesty's dominions, be payable to and amongst the