

“ WHEREAS by an Act of the fifty-eighth year of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled “ An Act for more effectually discovering the Longitude at Sea, and encouraging attempts to find a Northern Passage between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, and to approach the Northern Pole;” and by another Act of the present session of Parliament, to amend the said Act, it is provided, that for the encouragement of persons who may attempt the said Passage, or approach to the Northern Pole, but not wholly accomplish the same; we, the Commissioners for discovering the Longitude at Sea, may by our Memorial propose to your Majesty in Council, to direct and establish proportionate rewards to be paid to such person as aforesaid, who shall first have accomplished certain proportions of the said Passage or Approach :

And whereas it appears that the progress of discovery has already advanced on the Northern Coast of North America, and within the Arctic Circle, as far as 113 degrees of West Longitude, or thereabouts, from Greenwich; but has not arrived Northward, according to any well authenticated accounts, so far as 81 degrees of North Latitude :

We, your Memorialists, beg leave most humbly to represent these particulars for your Majesty's consideration, and to submit, with all humility, whether your Majesty may not be graciously pleased to establish the following scale of rewards, to be allotted according to the intentions of the said Acts :

1.—To the first ship belonging to any of your Majesty's subjects, or to your Majesty, that shall reach the Longitude of 130° West from Greenwich, by sailing within the Arctic Circle - - - £5,000

To the first ship as aforesaid, that shall reach the Longitude of 150° West from Greenwich, by sailing within the Arctic Circle, a further sum of - - - £5,000

To the first ship as aforesaid, that shall reach the Pacific Ocean by a North West Passage, the further sum of - - - £10,000

2.—To the first ship as aforesaid, that shall reach to 83° of North Latitude - - - £1,000

To 85°, a further sum of - - - £1,000

To 87°, a further sum of - - - £1,000

To 88°, a further sum of - - - £1,000

To 89°, or beyond, a further sum of - - - £1,000

And if your Majesty should graciously approve these proposals, we further, with all humility, submit whether your Majesty would not be pleased, by your Order in Council, to revoke, cancel, and annul His late Majesty's Order in Council, of the nineteenth March

one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, establishing the scale of rewards therein contained, for the accomplishment of certain proportions of the said Passage or Approach.”

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve thereof; and His Majesty doth hereby establish the scale of rewards proposed in the said Memorial.

And His Majesty is further pleased, by and with the advice aforesaid, to revoke, cancel, and annul the Order in Council of the nineteenth of March one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, establishing the scale of rewards therein contained, and the same is hereby revoked, cancelled, and annulled accordingly. *Jas. Buller.*

AT the Court at Carlton-House, the 9th of June 1821,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fifty-sixth year of His late Majesty's reign, cap. 38, intituled “ An Act to empower His Majesty to suspend the ballot or enrolment for the local militia,” it is enacted, that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by any Order in Council, to direct that no ballot or enrolment for the local militia shall take place; but that such ballot and enrolment shall remain and continue suspended for the period specified in any such Order of Council, and from time to time, by any like Order or Orders in Council, to continue such suspension so long as His Majesty shall deem the same expedient, any thing in any Act or Acts of Parliament to the contrary notwithstanding; and whereas by an Order in Council, made the seventh of June last, it was ordered by His Majesty in Council, that no ballot or enrolment for the local militia should take place for the space of one year from the twenty-seventh of June last, but that the ballot and enrolment for the local militia should remain and continue suspended for the space of one year from the said twenty-seventh of June last: and whereas it is deemed expedient to continue such suspension of the ballot and enrolment for the local militia for the space of one year from and after the twenty-seventh day of this instant June; it is, therefore, ordered by His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, that no ballot or enrolment for the local militia do take place for the space of one year from and after the twenty-seventh day of this instant June, but that the ballot and enrolment for the local militia do remain and continue suspended for the space of one year from and after the said twenty-seventh day of this instant June. *Jas. Buller.*

Commission signed by the Governor, Captain-General, and Vice-Admiral of the Isle of Wight.

Graham Eden Hamond, Esq. C.B. to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 27th October 1821.