

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, &c

WHEREAS by His late Majesty's Royal Proclamation, bearing date the 1st day of January 1801, and by divers Statutes now in force, His Majesty's subjects are prohibited from hoisting, carrying, or wearing in any of their ships or vessels, His Majesty's Jack, commonly called the Union Jack, or any pendants, or any such colours as are usually worn by His Majesty's ships, without particular warrant for their so doing from His Majesty, or His High Admiral of Great Britain, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of High Admiral for the time being :

And whereas it has been represented to us that the Union Jack hoisted at the top-mast head (or fore-top-mast head of vessels having more than one mast), is a general and well understood signal for a pilot, which it would be inexpedient at present to alter :

We do therefore, by virtue of the power and authority vested in us, hereby warrant and authorize all His Majesty's subjects to hoist the Union Jack at the top-mast-head of their ships or vessels where there is but one mast, or at the fore-top-mast-head where there are more than one mast, as a signal for a pilot ; but strictly prohibiting the wearing or hoisting the said Jack for any other purpose whatsoever, or longer than is necessary for the procuring a pilot :

And whereas the proper flags, which by the said Proclamation the ships and vessels of His Majesty's subjects are authorized to wear, are not sufficient to enable them to make signals without the addition of some other colors ;

We do further warrant and authorize all His Majesty's subjects to hoist on board their ships and vessels, by way of signal only, any colors (except pendants and the Union Jack), provided such colors shall not be hoisted in the place where similar colours are usually worn in His Majesty's ships and vessels :

And whereas it has been represented to us that certain signals have been heretofore established and agreed upon, and are now in use amongst His Majesty's subjects, wherein pendants and the Union Jack are employed, and that it would be inexpedient to prohibit the use of the said signals, until reasonable time for substituting some other description of colors in lieu of pendants and the Union Jack be allowed ;

We do further warrant and authorize all His Majesty's subjects to hoist and use, for signals only, pendants and the Union Jack, until the 1st of January 1824 and no longer ; upon and after which day no pendant is under any pretence whatsoever to be hoisted in the ships or vessels of any of His Majesty's subjects, nor the Union Jack, except only, as before provided, as the signal for a pilot.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Office of Admiralty, the 15th day of November 1822,

MELVILLE.

WM. JOHNSTONE HOPE.

By command of their Lordships,
J. W. CROKER.

Admiralty-Office, October 30, 1822-

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Session of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, for the trial of offences committed on the High Seas within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England, will be held at the Justice-Hall, in the Old Bailey, London, on Monday the 2d day of December next, at eight o'clock in the morning.

J. W. Croker.

CONTRACT FOR HANDSCREWS.

Navy-Office; November 15, 1822.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give notice, that on Wednesday the 4th of December next, at one o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying His Majesty's Yards at Deptford, Woolwich, Chatham, and Sheerness, with

Handscraws.

A form of the tender may be seen at this Office.

No tender will be received after one o'clock on the day of treaty, nor any noticed, unless the party, or an agent for him, attends.

Every tender must be accompanied by a letter, addressed to the Navy Board, and signed by two responsible persons, engaging to become bound with the person tendering, in the sum of £500, for the due performance of the contract. G. Smith.

Navy-Office, November 19, 1822.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give notice, that on Wednesday the 4th of next month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Commissioner the Honourable Sir George Grey, Bart. will put up to sale, in His Majesty's Yard at Portsmouth, several lots of

Old Stores,

Consisting of Canvas, Hammocks, Junk and Rope, &c. in Paper-Stuff, Oakum, Lamp Tops, Rims, and Burners, Compasses, Files, Lignum Vitæ Shivers, Flyings, Rakings, &c. and several lots of Slops and Marine Clothing.

all lying in the said Yard.

Persons wishing to view the lots, must apply to the Commissioner of the Yard for a note of admission for that purpose.

Catalogues and conditions of sale may be had here, and at the Yard. J. W. Morton.

CONTRACT FOR THE SQUARING AND CARRIAGE OF THE OAK TIMBER ABOUT TO BE FELLED IN DEAN FOREST.

Navy-Office, November 21, 1822.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give notice, that on Thursday the 5th of December next, at one o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for

Squaring the Oak Timber which is to be felled in January or February next, in Dean Forest.