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At the COURT of the KING'S, the 14th of January, 1801.

PRESENT,

The KING'S Most Excellent MAJESTY in Council.

Whereas his Majesty has received advice, that a large number of vessels belonging to his Majesty's subjects have been and are detained in the ports of Russia, and that the British sailors navigating the same have been and now are detained, as prisoners, in different parts of Russia; and also, that, during the continuance of these proceedings, a confederacy, of a hostile nature, against the just rights and interest of his Majesty, and his dominions, has been entered into with the Court of St Petersburg by the Courts of Denmark and Sweden respectively, his Majesty, with the advice of his Privy Council, is thereupon pleased to order, as it is hereby ordered, that no ships or vessels belonging to any of his Majesty's subjects be permitted to enter or clear-out for any of the ports of Russia, Denmark, and Sweden, until further orders; and his Majesty is further pleased to order, that a general embargo or stop be made now of all Russian, Danish, and Swedish ships and vessels whatsoever, within, or which hereafter shall come into any ports, harbours, or roads, within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, together with all persons and effects on board the said ships and vessels; but that the utmost care be taken for the preservation of all and every part of the cargoes on board any of the said ships and vessels, so that no damage or embezzlement whatever be sustained.

And the Right Hon. the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, are to give the necessary directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

W. FAWKENER.

At the Court at the Queen's House, the 16th of January 1801.

PRESENT,

The KING'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas his Majesty has received advice that a large number of vessels belonging to his Majesty's subjects, have been, and are detained in the ports of Russia, and that the property of his Majesty's subjects in Russia has, by virtue of several orders and decrees of the Russian Government, particular-

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ly one bearing date the 29th of November last, O. S. (corresponding with the 10th of December, N. S.) been seized, and directed to be applied in violation of the principles of justice, and of the rights of the several persons interested therein; his Majesty, with the advice of his Privy Council, is thereupon pleased to order, as it is hereby ordered, That no bills drawn since the said 29th of November last, O. S. (corresponding with the 10th of December N. S.) by or on behalf of any persons, being subjects of, or residing in the dominions of the Emperor of Russia, shall be accepted, or paid, without licence from one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State first had in that behalf, until further signification of his Majesty's pleasure, or until provision shall be made in respect thereof by act of Parliament; whereof all persons concerned are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

W. FAWKENER.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, JAN. 16. 1801.

Extract of a Letter from Admiral the Earl of St Vincent, K. B. &c. &c. &c. to Evan Nepean, Esq. dated on board his Majesty's ship Ville de Paris, in Torbay, the 12th January 1801.

I enclose two letters from Captain Sir Richard Strachan, Bart. detailing particulars of the meritorious exertions of himself, and the officers under his command, in intercepting the enemy's supplies.

SIR,

His Majesty's hired cutter Nile,
 Dec. 11. 1800.

I have the honour to inform you, that the vessels you signalled us to chase, on the 6th inst. never came through the passage, but rowed up along shore again, and went under Fort Lomara; I watched for them 'all night, but in the morning seeing them no more, I left the Lurcher off the Morbihan, and proceeded to execute your farther orders; on that day I saw a convoy couring round Groufic, of fifteen or sixteen sail, but was in no hurry to chase, rather permitting them to get nearer to St Gilda, and in the evening stood out, and made the necessary signals to Mr Forbes; it fully answered my expectations, as he being to windward turned them all, and they made for the Villain, just where I was; about eight we took a small boat just as the battery of St Jacques was hauling us, which I immediately manned and sent her with our own boat along shore, and by four A.M. found ourselves in

possession of five more; this is all they could attempt, as the whole coasts were then alarmed, and the battery of Notre Dame, at the entrance of the river Peners, kept up so brisk a fire as to send three shot through the last vessel; but the spirit of our people was such, that they were determined to have her out, and luckily only one man was slightly scratched with a splinter; on joining the Lurcher in the morning I found she had got three more, making nine, the particulars of which are expressed in the adjoining list; the four largest are decked, and very capable of going to England, but the others cannot; since the 7th Mr Forbes has been continually on the look-out, but not a single vessel, I believe, has stirred since.

I have the honour to be, &c.

GEORGE ARGLES.

Capt. Sir Richard Strachan, Bart.

A list of vessels captured by the Nile hired cutter, under the orders of Captain Sir Richard Strachan, Bart.

Maria Joseph, Pierre Midago, master, of five men and 43 tons, from Bourdeaux bound to Brest, laden with wine and brandy.

Notre Dame de Consolation, Clouarie, master, of 5 men and 35 tons, from Bourdeaux bound to Brest, laden with wine and brandy.

Saint Pierre, Pierre Hoock, master, of 7 men and 39 tons, from Bourdeaux bound to Brest, laden with wine and brandy.

L'Heloin, Matthew Rio, master, of 4 men and 13 tons, from Nantes bound to Auray, laden with Nantes wine.

Le Francois, Jean de Brest, master, of three men and four tons, from Nantes bound to Auray, laden with iron, tar, pottery, &c.

L'Aimable Francois, Gede Bouligan, master, of 55 tons, from Bourdeaux bound to Brest, laden with Bourdeaux wine.

By his Majesty's Cutter Lurcher.

Maria Joseph, Martin Beroit, master, of two men and eight tons, from Nantes bound to Yannes, laden with Nantes wine.

L'Eponne, Yme Le Frank, of three men and 13 tons, from Nantes bound to Yannes, laden with ditto: driven on shore on Houat, cargo lost.

Le Bon Secour, Yme Nicolane, of two men and eight tons, from Nantes bound to Yannes, laden with ditto: sunk at anchor, cargo saved.