

AT the Court at St. James's, the 26th of December, 1783.

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS by virtue of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for preventing certain Instruments from being required from Ships belonging to the United States of America, and to give to His Majesty, for a limited Time, certain Powers for the better carrying on Trade and Commerce between the Subjects of His Majesty's Dominions and the Inhabitants of the said United States," several Orders have been issued by His Majesty at this Board, for regulating and carrying on the Trade and Commerce between the Subjects of His Majesty's Dominions, and the Inhabitants of the United States of America, which Orders did expire on the 20th Day of this instant December: And whereas by an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, to continue, for a limited Time, the said above recited Act, it is enacted, that the said Act, and all the Matters and Things therein contained, shall continue and be in Force until the 20th Day of April, 1784: His Majesty doth thereupon, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby order and declare, that any unmanufactured Goods or Merchandizes, the Importation of which into this Kingdom is not prohibited by Law, (except Oil) and any Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, Indico, Masts, Yards and Bowsprits, being the Growth or Production of any of the United States of America, may (until further Order) be imported directly from thence into any of the Ports of this Kingdom, either in British or American Ships, by British Subjects, or by any of the People inhabiting in, and belonging to, the said United States, or any of them, and may be entered and landed in any Port in this Kingdom, upon Payment of the same Duties as the like Sort of Goods or Merchandize are or may be subject and liable to, if imported by British Subjects, in British Ships, from any British Island or Plantation in America, and no other, notwithstanding such Goods or Merchandize, or the Ships in which the same may be brought, may not be accompanied with the Certificates or other Documents heretofore required by Law:—

And it is hereby further ordered, that there shall be the same Drawbacks, Exemptions and Bounties on Merchandizes and Goods exported from Great Britain, into the Territories of the said United States of America, or any of them, as are or may be allowed by Law, upon the Exportation of the like Goods or Merchandize to any of the Islands, Plantations, or Colonies, belonging to the Crown of Great Britain in America.

And His Majesty is hereby further pleased to order, that any Tobacco, being the Growth or Production of any of the Territories of the said United States of America, may (until further Order) be imported directly from thence, in Manner abovementioned, and may be landed in this Kingdom; and upon the Importer paying down, in ready Money, the Duty commonly called the Old Subsidy (except as hereinafter excepted) such Tobacco may be warehoused under His Majesty's Locks, upon the Importer's own Bond for Payment of all the farther Duties due for such Tobacco, within the Time limited by Law, according to the net Weight and Quantity of such Tobacco, at the Time it shall be so landed, with the same Allowances for the Pay-

ment of such farther Duties, and under the like Restrictions and Regulations in all other Respects, nor altered by this Order, as such Tobacco is and may be warehoused by virtue of any Act or Acts of Parliament in Force; but it is His Majesty's Pleasure nevertheless, that upon the Importation of any such Tobacco into the Ports of London, Bristol, Liverpool, Cowes, Whitehaven, Greenock, and Port Glasgow, or either of them, in the Manner herein before expressed, the Importer shall be at Liberty, until further Order, to enter into Bond for the Payment, as well of the Duty, commonly called the Old Subsidy, as of all the farther Duties due for such Tobacco, but without any Allowance for prompt Payment of the said Duty, commonly called the Old Subsidy, or any other of the Duties which were formerly payable in ready Money; and that if any Tobacco which has been or shall be so imported, during the Continuance of this Order, from the Territories of the said United States, into the said Ports of London, Bristol, Liverpool, Cowes, Whitehaven, Greenock, and Port Glasgow, shall be afterwards taken, within the Time limited, out of the Warehouses wherein the same shall be secured under His Majesty's Locks, in Manner herein before directed, at either of the above Ports, to be exported directly from thence, the Bonds which have been or shall be entered into for Payment of the said Duties, shall be discharged in the Manner directed by the several Acts of Parliament in Force.

And in order to facilitate the carrying on Trade and Commerce between the People and Territories belonging to the Crown of Great Britain in the West Indies, including in that Description the Bahama Islands, and the Bermuda or Somers Islands, and the People and Territories belonging to the said United States of America, His Majesty is hereby further pleased to order, that Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, Hemp and Flax, Masts, Yards and Bowsprits, Staves, Heading Boards, Timber, Shingles, and all other Species of Lumber; Horses, Neat Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Poultry, and all other Species of Live Stock and Live Provisions; Peas, Beans, Potatoes, Wheat, Flour, Bread, Biscuit, Rice, Oats, Barley, and all other Species of Grain, being the Growth or Production of any of the said United States of America, may (until further Order) be imported by British Subjects, in British Built Ships owned by His Majesty's Subjects, and navigated according to Law, from any Port of the said United States of America, to any of His Majesty's West India Islands, the Bahama Islands, and the Bermuda or Somers Islands; and that Rum, Sugar, Melasses, Coffee, Cocoa-Nuts, Ginger and Pimento, may (until further Order) be exported by British Subjects, in British Built Ships, owned by His Majesty's Subjects, and navigated according to Law, from any of the said Islands, to any Port or Place within the said United States, upon Payment of the same Duties on Exportation, and subject to the like Rules, Regulations, Securities and Restrictions, as the same Articles by Law are or may be subject and liable to, if exported to any British Colony or Plantation in America; and the Bonds and Securities heretofore required to be taken for such Ships carrying such Goods, shall and may be cancelled and discharged, upon the like Certificates as are required by the above recited Act to discharge any Bonds given in Great Britain for the due landing any other Goods in the said United States of America.

And His Majesty is hereby further pleased to order, with the Advice aforesaid, that the said several Regulations herein comprized, shall, in all Respects, be