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AT the Court at the *Queen's House*,
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P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty
in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for more effectually restraining Intercourse with the Crews of certain of His Majesty's Ships, now in a State of Mutiny and Rebellion, and for the more effectual Suppression of such Mutiny and Rebellion;" it is enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, or any Three or more of them, being thereto authorized by Order of His Majesty in Council, to declare the Crew of any of His Majesty's Ships, who have been guilty of Acts of Mutiny and Rebellion, and who still persist therein; and also the Crew of any other of His Ma-

jefty's Ships, who shall be guilty of any of the like Offences, to be in a State of Mutiny and Rebellion; and by such Declaration to warn all His Majesty's faithful Subjects to abstain from all Communication or Intercourse with the Crews of the said Ships: And it is further enacted; that it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them; in such Manner as His Majesty shall authorize and require, to accept the Submission of the Crew of any Ship which shall have been so declared to be in a State of Mutiny and Rebellion, or of any Person or Persons, Part of such Crew; or of any Person or Persons on Board of any of such Ships, or to declare any such Person or Persons to have returned to their Duty, and thereupon to declare the Person or Persons, whose Submission shall be so accepted, or who shall be so declared to have returned to their Duty, to be exempted and relieved from all or any of the Penalties and Forfeiture

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feitures in the said Act contained, in such Manner, and under such Terms and Restrictions, as His Majesty shall think fit:— And whereas the said Lords Commissioners have represented to His Majesty, That it appears to them that the Crews of the of the Ships herein after mentioned; that is to say, the Sandwich, Montagu, Director, Inflexible, Monmouth, Belliqueux, Standard, Lion, Nassau, Repulse, Grampus, Proserpine, Brilliant, Iris, Champion, Comet, Tyfiphone, Pylades, Swan and Inspector, have been guilty of Acts of Mutiny and Rebellion, particularly by taking the Command of the said Ships from His Majesty's Officers, by combining to obstruct the Trade and Navigation of the Port of London, and by other Acts of the most heinous Nature, and that some of such Crews had actually fired on divers of His Majesty's Ships, and that all the said Crews still persisted in such their Mutiny and Rebellion.

His Majesty, in pursuance of the Powers vested in Him by the above recited Act, is hereby pleased, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, to authorize, and by this His Order in Council doth authorize the said Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, or any Three or more of them, to declare the Crews of the said Ships to be in a State of Mutiny and Rebellion, and to warn all His Majesty's faithful Subjects to abstain from all Communication or Intercourse with the Crews of the said Ships, in the Manner directed by the said Act.

And His Majesty is hereby further pleased, with the Advice aforesaid, to authorize and require the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, to accept the Submission of the Crew of any of the said Ships, or of

any Person or Persons, Part of such Crew, or of any Person or Persons on Board of any of the said Ships; or to declare any such Person or Persons to have returned to their Duty; and thereupon to declare the Persons or Person, whose Submission shall be so accepted, or who shall be declared to have returned to their Duty, to be exempted and relieved from all or any of the Penalties and Forfeitures in the said Act contained, in such Manner and under such Terms and Restrictions as His Majesty shall think fit.

W. Fawcener.

*By the Commissioners for executing
the Office of Lord High Admiral
(L. S.) of Great Britain and Ireland,
&c.*

By virtue of an Order of His Majesty in Council, bearing Date the 6th Day of June instant, and in Pursuance of the Provisions of an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, entitled "An Act for more effectually restraining Intercourse with the Crews of certain of His Majesty's Ships now in a State of Mutiny and Rebellion, and for the more effectual Suppression of such Mutiny and Rebellion," We do hereby declare, that the Crews of His Majesty's Ships herein after mentioned; that is to say, the Sandwich, Montagu, Director, Inflexible, Monmouth, Belliqueux, Standard, Lion, Nassau, Repulse, Grampus, Proserpine, Brilliant, Isis, Champion, Comet, Tyfiphone, Pylades, Swan and Inspector, having been guilty of Acts of Mutiny and Rebellion, and persisting therein, are, and are to be deemed and taken to be, in a State of Mutiny and Rebellion: And, in further Pursuance of the Provisions of the said Act, we do hereby

hereby warn all His Majesty's faithful Subjects to abstain from all Communication and Intercourse with the Crews of the said Ships: And we do hereby notify, that by virtue of the said Act, any Person who shall wilfully and advisedly have any Communication or Intercourse, whether personally or by Letter, Message, or otherwise, with the Crew of any of the said Ships, or with any Person or Persons being Part of such Crew, or with any Person who shall, after this Day, remain on Board any of the said Ships, will, on Conviction thereof, be adjudged guilty of Felony, and suffer Death: And also, that any Person who shall wilfully and advisedly in any Manner supply and comfort or assist such Crew, or any Part thereof, or any Person remaining on Board any of the said Ships, after this Day, will, on Conviction thereof, be adjudged guilty of Felony, and suffer Death: And also, that from and after this Day, all Wages and other Allowances payable to the Crews of the said Ships will cease and determine, and be no longer payable; and that they will, respectively, from thenceforth, forfeit and lose all Wages, and other Allowances, and all Shares of Prizes then due to them respectively, and all Benefits and Advantages to which they might otherwise be entitled from Greenwich Hospital, or the Chest at Chatham, and all other Benefits and Advantages whatsoever to which they might otherwise be entitled, in consequence of their having served as Seamen or Marines on Board His Majesty's Ships; and that all Persons voluntarily remaining on Board any of the said Ships, after having had Knowledge of this Declaration, will, on Conviction thereof, be adjudged guilty of Piracy and Felony, and will suffer Death.

And whereas the Penalties of the said Act do not extend to such Communication or Intercourse with the said Crews as may be carried on by our Order or Authority, or by the Order and Authority of such Person or Persons as may be authorized by us to grant Permission, and give Directions in that Behalf, we do hereby notify that we have authorized Charles Buckner, Esq; Vice-Admiral of the White, and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the River Medway, and at the Buoy of the Nore, to hold Communication or Intercourse with the said Crews, and to grant Permission, and give Directions in that Behalf. And we do further notify and declare that we are authorized by His Majesty, in pursuance of the said Act, to accept the Submission of the Crew of any of the said Ships, or of any Person or Persons on Board of any such Ships, and to declare any such Person or Persons to have returned to their Duty, and thereupon to declare the Person or Persons whose Submission shall be so accepted, or who shall be so declared to have returned to their Duty, to be exempted and relieved from all or any of the Penalties and Forfeitures in the said Act.

Given under our Hands, and the Seal of the Office of Admiralty, this 7th Day of June, 1797.

SPENCER.
ARDEN.
CHA. S. PYBUS.
H. SEYMOUR.
PH. STEPHENS.
J. GAMBIER.
W. YOUNG.

By Command of their Lordships,

Evan Nepean.

