

such Bond not to be cancelled or delivered up until Proof shall be made to the Satisfaction of the said Commissioners, by the Production, within a Time to be fixed by the said Commissioners, and specified in the Bond, of a Certificate or Certificates, in such Form and Manner as shall be directed by the said Commissioners, shewing that the said Articles have been all duly landed at the Places for which they were so entered Outwards :

And His Majesty is hereby further pleased to order, with the Advice aforesaid, That it shall be lawful for and during the said Term beforementioned, to import into any Port or Place of Great Britain any Beans called Kidney or French Beans, Tares, Lentiles, Calavancies, and all other Sorts of Pulse ; and also Bulls, Cows, Oxen, Calves, Sheep, Lambs, and Swine ; Beef, Pork, Mutton, Veal, and Lamb, whether salted or otherwise ; Bacon, Hams, Tongues, Butter, Cheese, Potatoes, Sago, Sago-Powder, Tapioca, Vermicelli, Millet-Seed, Poultry, Fowls, Eggs, Game, and Sour Crout, in any British Ship or Vessel, or in any other Ship or Vessel belonging to Persons of any Kingdom or State in Amity with His Majesty, and navigated in any Manner whatever, without Payment of any Duty whatsoever ; provided that a due Entry shall be made of all such Articles as aforesaid, that shall be so imported, with the proper Officers of the Customs at the Port where the same shall be imported, under the Penalties and Forfeitures in the said Acts mentioned. — And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary Directions herein according to y.

*Steph. Cottrell.*

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 21st of December 1803,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS in virtue of the Powers vested in His Majesty, by an Act passed in the Forty-first Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled " An Act to empower His Majesty to regulate the Trade and Commerce to and from the Isle of Malta, until the signing a Definitive Treaty of Peace, and from thence until Six Weeks after the next Meeting of Parliament, and to declare the Isle of Malta to be Part of Europe : " His Majesty was pleased by His Order in Council, bearing Date the Thirtieth of July One thousand eight hundred and one, to order and declare, That the Port of La Valette, in the said Island of Malta, should be taken to be, and the same was thereby made a free Port, for the Importation into, and Exportation from the same of all Sorts of Goods and Merchandizes in trading Ships or Vessels belonging to Subjects of States in Amity with His Majesty, of whatever Burthen, or in whatever Manner such Ships or Vessels should be navigated, and should continue to be such free Port until the signing a Definitive Treaty of Peace, and from thence until Six Weeks after the next Meeting of Parliament, unless His Majesty should, in the mean Time otherwise order ; subject nevertheless to such Regulations for the Security of the Possession of the Island of Malta and its Dependencies, and the Protection of the Health of the Garrison, and In-

habitants thereof, as might be then in force, or should from Time to Time be deemed necessary or expedient in that Behalf ; and that the same Drawbacks and Bounties, and upon the same Terms and Conditions which then were, or thereafter might be allowed by Law, upon the Exportation of any Goods and Merchandizes to the Island of Minorca or to Gibraltar, should, and might be allowed upon the Exportation of the like Goods and Merchandizes to the Port of La Valette, in the said Island of Malta ; which said Order, by an Order made, by His Majesty in Council, of the Eighth of June One Thousand eight hundred and three, under the Authority of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, was further continued until the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and four : And whereas, by an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled " An Act to continue several Laws relating to the suspending the Operation of Two Acts of the Fifteenth and Seventeenth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty for restraining the Negotiation of Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange, under a limited Sum, in England ; and to the prohibiting the Exportation from, and permitting the Importation to, Great Britain, of Corn, and for allowing the Importation of other Articles of Provision, without Payment of Duty, until the Twenty fifth Day of March One thousand eight hundred and five ; and to the regulating the Trade and Commerce to and from the Isle of Malta, until Six Months after the Ratification of a Definitive Treaty of Peace," it is, amongst other Things, enacted, That the said above-recited Act, made in the Forty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, which, by an Act made in the last Session of Parliament, was continued until the First Day of January One thousand Eight hundred and four, shall be, and the same is thereby further continued until Six Months after the Ratification of a Definitive Treaty of Peace, His Majesty is thereupon pleased, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, That the Orders made by His Majesty in Council on the Thirtieth of July One thousand eight hundred and one, and on the Eighth of June One thousand eight hundred and three, for regulating the Trade and Commerce to and from the Island of Malta, shall be continued and be in force until Six Months after the Ratification of a Definitive Treaty of Peace, unless His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, shall think fit otherwise to order and direct : And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, and the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, are to give the necessary Directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

*Steph. Cottrell.*

Admiralty-Office, December 27, 1803.

Copy of a Letter from the Right Honorable Lord Keith, Admiral of the Blue, &c. to Sir Evan Nepean, Bart. dated off Ramsgate, 24th December 1803.

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I ENCLOSE, for their Lordships' Information, a Copy of a Letter which I have received from Lieutenant Young, commanding His Majesty's