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By the KING.

## A PROCLAMATION,

For apprehending George Rutherford, late Lieutenant of His Majesty's Ship Trident.

GEORGE R.

**W**HEREAS a Warrant has been issued under the Hands of Six of Our Privy Council for apprehending Lieutenant George Rutherford, formerly acting Captain of Our Ship Trident, suspected of feloniously, wilfully, and with Malice aforethought, murdering John Smith, Charet Dause, and John Nichols, Mariners, belonging to Our said Ship, in the Month of March One thousand eight hundred and one, at Butcher Island, near Bombay, in the East Indies: And whereas it hath been represented unto Us, that the said George Rutherford did, on the Twelfth Day of the Month of March now last past, effect his Escape from on board Our Flag Ship at Plymouth, and is fled from Justice, We have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation, hereby requiring and commanding all Our loving Subjects whomsoever, to discover and apprehend, and cause the said George Rutherford (who is about Forty Years of Age, is upwards of Five Feet Ten Inches high, of a dark swarthy Complexion, slender Person, but well made, and of a long thin Face, with dark Eyebrows and Black Eyes) to be discovered and apprehended, and to convey him before some of Our Justices of the Peace, or the Chief Magistrate of the County, City, Town, or Place where he shall be apprehended, who are respectively required to secure him, and thereof to give speedy Notice unto Our Privy Council, or One of Our Principal Secretaries of State, to the End that the said George Rutherford may be forthcoming, and be proceeded against according to Law; and whoever shall discover the said George Rutherford, and bring him before such Justice of the Peace or Chief Magistrate, shall receive for Reward the Sum of **THREE HUNDRED POUNDS**; which said Sum of Three Hundred Pounds the Lords Commissioners of Our Treasury are hereby required to pay accordingly.

Given at Our Court at the Queen's Palace, the Fifth Day of April, One thousand eight hundred and six, in the Forty-sixth Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, April 12, 1806.

NOTICE is hereby given, that there will be a Drawing-Room at St. James's, on Thursday next, the 17th Instant.

Admiralty-Office, April 11, 1806.

Copy of a Letter from Captain John Davie, late Commander of His Majesty's Sloop Favourite, to William Marsden, Esq; dated on board the Trio Cartel, Falmouth, April 8, 1806.

SIR,

I HAVE the Honor to inclose a Copy of my Letter to Captain Maxwell, of His Majesty's Ship Arab, giving an Account of the Capture of a French Privateer by His Majesty's late Sloop the Favourite, under my Command.

I am, Sir, &c.

JOHN DAVIE.

His Majesty's Sloop Favourite, off the Tris Pongas, Dec. 28, 1805.

SIR,

I HAVE the Honor to acquaint you, that, in Obedience to your Orders of the 18th Instant, I proceeded in His Majesty's Sloop under my Command to the Islands des Loës, where I was informed that the Privateer you sent me in Pursuit of was at Anchor in the River of Pongas. I immediately shaped a Course for that Place; and, when within a few Leagues of it, Two Sail were discovered; which Mr. Willon (who volunteered to be our Pilot) affirmed were Vessels which had been captured by her. Conceiving it to be my Duty, I instantly made all Sail, and gave chase to them. Owing to the Shallowness of the Water, and Incorrectness of the Charts, we did not reach the Entrance of the River till this Afternoon, when we discovered the Privateer under Sail, and working out. She allowed us to approach within half Gun-shot, when she attempted to get away. I immediately commenced a Fire from the Bow Guns, which soon induced her to shorten Sail, and, to my Surprise, haul athwart, and rake us. I did not choose to alter the Ship's Course, because it would have prevented my getting so near as I intended; but, when within our own Length, I luffed up, and gave her our Broadside. The Captain had the Temerity to continue engaging us for Twenty Minutes, which cost him and Ten others their Lives, and Twenty-five Men badly wounded; whilst I am happy to say, that Lieutenant Odumi, of the Royal African Corps, (a Passenger,) is the only Person hurt on board of us, and he is slightly