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AT the Court at the *Queen's Palace*, the 2d of August 1809,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

IT is this Day ordered by His Majesty in Council, That the Parliament which stands prorogued to Thursday the Tenth Day of this Instant August, be further prorogued to Thursday the Twenty-eighth Day of September next.

AT the Court at the *Queen's Palace*, the 2d of August 1809,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

IT is this Day ordered by His Majesty in Council, That the General Embargo laid by His Majesty's Order in Council, dated the Twelfth of last Month, upon all Ships and Vessels in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland (except as therein excepted) be taken off. And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, 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.

Stephen Cottrell.

Admiralty-Office, August 5, 1809.

Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Sir James Saumarez, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Baltic, to the Honourable William Wesley Pole, dated on board the Victory, off Nargen Island, 9th July 1809.

SIR,

ON my Arrival in the Gulf of Finland, having detached Captain Martin of His Majesty's Ship *Implacable*, with the *Melpomene* under his Orders, to cruise to the Eastward of Nargen Island, I herewith inclose a List of Vessels which he has captured, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of

the Admiralty; several of them being laden with Naval Stores belonging to the Emperor of Russia, and which cannot fail proving a valuable Acquisition in England.

I also inclose, for their Lordships' Information, Copies of Two Letters I have received from Captain Martin of Yesterday's Date, one of them giving an Account of a most gallant and enterprising Attack made by the Boats of the Ships named in the Margin,* under the Orders of Lieutenant Hawkey of the *Implacable*, upon a Russian Flotilla of Gun-Boats, under Percola Point on the Coast of Finland; which, notwithstanding their strong Position, they succeeded in carrying; Six of the Gun-Boats mounting each a Thirty-two and Twenty-four Pounder, having been brought off, and another sunk; together with the Vessels under their Protection, laden with Powder and Provisions for the Russian Army in Finland being captured, and a large Armed Ship which was burnt.

In referring their Lordships to Captain Martin's Detail of this important Service, I sincerely lament the Loss to have been very considerable; Lieutenant Hawkey a brave and gallant Officer, who had distinguished himself upon various Occasions, and Lieutenant Stirling of the *Prometheus* having been killed, and the several Men belonging to His Majesty's Ships, as in the inclosed List, having been killed and wounded.

I cannot close this without expressing my highest Admiration of the undaunted Courage and Intrepidity with which this Service has been executed, and which I doubt not will be duly appreciated by their Lordships.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

JAMES SAUMAREZ.

* *Implacable, Belerophon, Melpomene, and Prometheus,*

Extract of the first Letter from Captain Martin above alluded to, dated off Percola Point, July 6, 1809, (stated by Sir James Saumarez through Mistake to be dated the 8th.)

THE *Implacable* and *Melpomene* having stood into the Gulph of Narva, captured Nine Sail of Vessels, laden with Timber, Spars, and Cordage, belonging to the Emperor of Russia, and which I