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AT the Court at the *Queen's Palace*, the 7th of February 1810,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS it has been humbly represented to His Majesty, that the Islands of Feroe and Iceland, and also certain Settlements on the Coast of Greenland, Parts of the Dominions of Denmark, have, since the Commencement of the War between Great Britain and Denmark, been deprived of all Intercourse with Denmark, and that the Inhabitants of those Islands and Settlements are, in consequence of the Want of their accustomed Supplies, reduced to extreme Misery, being without many of the Necessaries and of most of the Conveniencies of Life :

His Majesty, being moved by Compassion for the Sufferings of these defenceless People, has, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, thought fit to declare His Royal Will and Pleasure, and it is hereby declared and ordered, that the said Islands of Feroe and Iceland and the Settlements on the Coast of Greenland, and the Inhabitants thereof, and the Property therein, shall be exempted from the Attack and Hostility of His Majesty's Forces and Subjects, and that the Ships belonging to Inhabitants of such Islands and Settlements, and all Goods, being of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture of the said Islands and Settlements, on board the Ships belonging to such Inhabitants, engaged in a direct Trade between such Islands and Settlements respectively, and the Ports of London or Leith, shall not be liable to Seizure and Confiscation as Prize :

His Majesty is further pleased to order, with the Advice aforesaid, that the People of all the said Islands and Settlements be considered, when resident in His Majesty's Dominions, as Stranger Friends, under the Safeguard of His Majesty's Royal Peace, and entitled to the Protection of the Laws of the Realm, and in no Case treated as Alien Enemies :

His Majesty is further pleased to order, with the Advice aforesaid, that the Ships of the United Kingdom, navigated according to Law, be permitted to repair to the said Islands and Settlements, and to trade with the Inhabitants thereof :

And His Majesty is further pleased to order, with the Advice aforesaid, that all His Majesty's Cruizers

and all other his Subjects be inhibited from committing any Acts of Depredation or Violence against the Persons, Ships, and Goods of any of the Inhabitants of the said Islands and Settlements, and against any Property in the said Islands and Settlements respectively.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty, and the Judges of the Courts of Vice Admiralty, are to take the necessary Measures herein as to them shall respectively appertain.

*W. Faulkener.*

*Admiralty-Office, February 13, 1810.*

DISPATCHES, of which the following are Copies, have been received at this Office by John Wilson Croker, Esq; from Vice-Admiral Bertie, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at the Cape of Good Hope, addressed to the Honorable William Wellesley Pole.

*La Bourbonnaise, Table-Bay, November 16, 1809.*

SIR, I HAVE the Honour to congratulate their Lordships on the beneficial Effects that have already manifested themselves to the Interests of His Majesty's Service, and particularly those of the Honourable East India Company, by the Measures their Lordships have been pleased to adopt for the Blockade of the Isles of France and Bourbon, and by the prompt Reinforcement they have been pleased to place under my Orders, for the Furtherance of this Object ; the Communications from Captain Rowley and Lieutenant-Colonel Keating, Copies of which are forwarded herewith, fully explain the Nature of the Services performed; the able Manner in which they have been conducted, and the Unanimity, Zeal, and Discipline, which have distinguished the whole Proceeding, merit the highest Approbation, and to which I feel that no Comment or Encomium of mine can render sufficient Justice.

The Objects proposed by Captain Rowley and Lieutenant-Colonel Keating in undertaking this Enterprize were very considerable, and have succeeded in every Point ; all the Batteries, Guns, Mortars, at