

dealt with according to law: And We are hereby pleased to renew the said promise of a reward of

FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS,

so made on the said sixth day of December, and renewed on the said 22d day of January last, to be paid upon the said James Watson the younger being apprehended and lodged in any one of His Majesty's gaols: And We do hereby promise, to any person or persons who shall discover and apprehend, or cause to be discovered and apprehended, the said Arthur Thistlewood, the like sum of

FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS,

to be paid in like manner, upon the said Arthur Thistlewood being apprehended and lodged in any one of His Majesty's gaols: And We do hereby strictly charge and command all persons upon their allegiance, not to receive or harbour the said James Watson and Arthur Thistlewood, or either of them: All persons offending herein will be thereby guilty of high treason: And We do hereby promise a like reward of

FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS,

to any person who shall discover and apprehend, or cause to be discovered and apprehended, any person so receiving or harbouring the said James Watson and Arthur Thistlewood, or either of them; to be paid upon the conviction of the person or persons so receiving or harbouring as aforesaid, which said several sums of five hundred pounds the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury are hereby required and directed to pay accordingly.

Given at the Court at Carlton-House, the eighteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, in the fifty-seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

GOD save the KING.

The above-namnd James Watson is a Surgeon by profession, and has been employed in that capacity on board a Greenland ship: He is a young man, apparently about twenty-three or twenty-four years of age, but is only twenty, dark hair, rather pale complexion, five feet five inches high, has a mark or mole with a few hairs on it, on his left cheek bone near the eye, the left eyelid rather dropping over the eye, very faint remains of small pox in his face, has rather a wide mouth, and shews his teeth, (which are very black) when he laughs; he sometimes wore a brown great coat, black under coat, black waistcoat, drab breeches and long gaiters, and at other times he wore a black coat and waiscoat, blue pantaloons, and Hessian boots; his appearance shabby genteel: he formerly lodged in Hyde-Street, Bloomsbury.

Arthur Thistlewood is about forty-five years of age, five feet eleven inches high, has a sallow complexion, long visage, dark hair (a little grey), small whiskers, dark hasle eyes, and arched eyebrows, a wide mouth, and a good set of teeth, has a scar under his right jaw, is slender made, walks very upright, and has much the appearance of a military man; was born in Lincolnshire, and apprenticed to an apothecary at Newark, and has been a lieutenant in the army; he usually wore a French grey

coloured coat, buff waistcoat, grey coloured Wellington pantaloons, with Hessian boots under them, and at times a dark brown great coat.

AT the Court at *Carlton-House*, the 1st of *March 1817,*

PRESENT,

His Royal Highness the **PRINCE REGENT** in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the present session of Parliament, intituled "An Act to continue and extend the provisions of an Act, of the forty-ninth year of His present Majesty, for regulating the trade and commerce to and from the Cape of Good Hope, until the fifth day of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty; and also for regulating the trade of the Island of Mauritius;" His Majesty is authorised, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, by any Order or Orders to be issued from time to time, to give such directions, and make such regulations touching the trade and commerce to and from all islands, colonies, or places, and the territories and dependencies thereof, to His Majesty belonging or in His possession, in Africa, or Asia to the eastward of the Cape of Good Hope (excepting only the possessions of the East India Company), as to His Majesty, in Council, shall appear most expedient and salutary, any thing contained in an Act, passed in the twelfth year of the reign of His Majesty King Charles the Second, intituled "An Act for the encouraging and increasing of shipping and navigation," or in an Act, passed in the seventh and eighth years of the reign of His Majesty King William the Third, intituled "An Act for preventing frauds, and regulating abuses in the plantation trade," or any other Act or Acts of Parliament now in force, relating to His Majesty's colonies and plantations, or any other Act or Acts of Parliament, law, usage or custom to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding: and whereas on the night of the twenty-fifth of September last, a dreadful fire broke out in the town of Port Lewis, in the Island of Mauritius, which totally destroyed the chief part of that town, together with a great mass of provisions and merchandise intended for the consumption and trade of its inhabitants, whereby a great number of families were reduced to extreme indigence, and left without a home; in consequence of which dreadful calamity the Governor of the said Island found himself compelled to open the ports of the Island to foreign vessels, in order to afford the speediest relief of which the case would admit, and thereby to save His Majesty's subjects residing in that colony from the greatest extremity of distress; and whereas it is expedient that facilities should in consequence be granted to the trade of the Island of Mauritius, for a limited time, with the view of giving still further relief to its suffering inhabitants; His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that all