

commanders, officers, and crews of His Majesty's ships or vessels of war:

And whereas it is expedient that the said rules and regulations shall be in part altered, viz. so far as they relate to seizures made on shore by persons acting under the orders of the Lord High Admiral, or of the Commissioners for executing the office of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and that in lieu thereof other rules and regulations should be directed and appointed for the distribution of the reward granted in such case or cases: His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order that the said Order in Council of the seventeenth of September one thousand eight hundred and nineteen be henceforth revoked, so far as relates to sums awarded for seizures made on shore by persons under the orders of the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and no further; and the same is hereby so far revoked, saving only as to sums awarded for seizures made prior to the date hereof, which shall be distributed according to the former Order:

And His Majesty is further pleased to direct and appoint that all sums awarded, saving as above excepted seizures made prior to the date hereof, by the Commissioners of Customs or Excise in England, Scotland and Ireland, to persons under the orders of the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the arrest on shore of any person or persons for a breach of the laws as above described, shall be paid in the following proportions, to and for the benefit of the person or persons who shall actually make the arrest, viz.

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| To the person or persons who shall actually make the arrest. | } | Three fourth parts of the reward to be divided in equal proportions, if more than one person shall actually make the arrest. |
| To the officer or officers being present, of the party of men, to which the person or persons making the arrest shall belong. | } | One fourth part of the reward to be divided, if more than one officer of the party shall be so present, as follows, |
| | | To the officer commanding the party, two shares. |
| | | To each of the other officers, one share. |

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, are to cause His Majesty's pleasure, hereby signified, to be duly complied with. *Jas. Buller.*

AT the Court at *Carlton-House*, the 23d of *February* 1821,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council:

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board, a Memorial from the Commissioners for discovering the Longitude at Sea, in the words following, viz.

“ WHEREAS by an Act of the fifty-eighth year of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled “ An Act for more effectually discovering the Longitude at Sea, and encouraging attempts to find a Northern Passage between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, and to approach the Northern Pole;” and by another Act of the present session of Parliament, to amend the said Act, it is provided, that for the encouragement of persons who may attempt the said Passage, or approach to the Northern Pole, but not wholly accomplish the same; we, the Commissioners for discovering the Longitude at Sea, may by our Memorial propose to your Majesty in Council, to direct and establish proportionate rewards to be paid to such person as aforesaid, who shall first have accomplished certain proportions of the said Passage or Approach:

And whereas it appears that the progress of discovery has already advanced on the Northern Coast of North America, and within the Arctic Circle, as far as 113 degrees of West Longitude, or thereabouts, from Greenwich; but has not arrived Northward, according to any well authenticated accounts, so far as 81 degrees of North Latitude:

We, your Memorialists, beg leave most humbly to represent these particulars for your Majesty's consideration, and to submit, with all humility, whether your Majesty may not be graciously pleased to establish the following scale of rewards, to be allotted according to the intentions of the said Acts:

- 1.—To the first ship belonging to any of your Majesty's subjects, or to your Majesty, that shall reach the Longitude of 130° West from Greenwich, by sailing within the Arctic Circle - - - - - £5,000
- To the first ship as aforesaid, that shall reach the Longitude of 150° West from Greenwich, by sailing within the Arctic Circle, a further sum of - - - - - £5,000
- To the first ship as aforesaid,