

must humbly to submit whether your Majesty will not be graciously pleased to revoke the several Orders above mentioned, and, by your Order in Council, to establish, declare, and direct, that from henceforth the several rewards which, under the laws now or hereafter to be in force for the prevention of smuggling, are or shall be payable to the officers, petty officers, and seamen of your Majesty's Fleet, and to the officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates of Royal Marines acting under my orders, or under the orders of the Lord High Admiral, or of any Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of your Majesty's United Kingdom for the time being, as well for the detention of offenders against those laws, as for seizures made under the same (except in the several cases hereinafter mentioned, as to those persons stationed and employed on shore in the prevention of smuggling, and acting under my orders, or those of the Lord High Admiral, or Commissioners as aforesaid, and for which especial provision is hereinafter proposed to be made) shall be divided and distributed in the proportions, and according to the regulations set forth and expressed in the following scheme, viz.

The amount of such rewards and produce of seizures so respectively payable as aforesaid to be divided into eight equal parts:

The captain or captains of any of your Majesty's ships, and the commander or commanders of any of your Majesty's ships or sloops of war, or the officer or officers respectively commanding such ships or sloops of war, who shall have been actually on board at the time of any such detention or seizure, shall have three of the said eighth parts. But in cases where captains and commanders shall be present together at any such detention or seizure, the said three eighth parts shall be so divided as that the captain or captains shall receive double the amount of the share or shares of the commander or commanders. And if such ships or sloops shall be under the command of a flag or flags; the flag-officer or flag-officers so commanding shall have one of the said three eighths, and the remaining two eighths shall be divided in such proportion as that the captain or captains shall, in like manner, have double the amount of the share or shares of the commander or commanders.

The sea lieutenants, captains of marines, and land forces serving as marines, and the master on board, shall have one eighth part to be equally divided amongst them.

The lieutenants and quartermasters of marines, and lieutenants and ensigns and quartermasters of land forces serving as marines, secretaries of admirals or of commodores of the first class (such secretaries being present at the seizure), second masters, chaplains, pursers, surgeons, surgeons' assistants, gunners, boatswains, and carpenters, who shall be on board shall have one eighth part to be equally divided amongst them.

The first class of petty officers, namely; mates, midshipmen, masters' assistants, secretaries' clerks, captains' clerks, schoolmasters, masters at arms, admirals' coxswains, armourers, caulkers, rope-makers, sail-makers, gunners' mates, boatswains' mates, carpenters' mates, ships' corporals, quartermasters, captains' coxswains, coxswains of the launch, ships'

cooks, captains of the hold, captains of the fore-castle, pilots, serjeants of marines, and land forces if serving as marines, shall have one eighth part to be equally divided amongst them.

The other two eighth parts of the seizure to be divided into shares and distributed to the persons composing the remaining part of the crew or crews in the following proportions, viz.

The second class of petty officers, namely; coopers, armourers' mates, caulkers' mates, sail-makers' mates, captains of the foretop, captains of the maintop, captains of the afterguard, captains of the mast, yeoman of the signals, coxswains of pinnaces, volunteers of the first and second classes, corporals of marines and of land forces, if serving as marines, four shares each.

To the gunners' crew, carpenters' crew, sail-makers' crew, coopers' crew, able seamen, yeomen of the store-rooms, ordinary seamen, drummers, private marines, and other soldiers, if serving as marines, three shares each.

To the cooks' mates, barbers, landsmen, admirals' domestics, captains' stewarts, pursers' stewarts, and all other ratings not above enumerated, except boys, together with all passengers and other persons borne as supernumeraries and doing duty and assisting on board (excepting officers acting by order, who are to receive the share of that rank in which they shall be acting), two shares each.

And the boys of every description one share each.

Secondly.—In the cases of seizures made by the officers and men of cutters, schooners, brigs, and other armed vessels of war commanded by lieutenants, when not in company with other ships or vessels, the produce being divided as before into eighth parts.

The lieutenant or lieutenants to have three eighth parts, unless under the command of a flag officer or officers, in which case such flag officer or officers to have one eighth part, and the lieutenant or lieutenants the other two.

The share of the master to be one eighth part.

The surgeon, or surgeons assistant (when there is no surgeon), mates, midshipmen, and clerks, to have one eighth part.

The following petty officers, namely; sail-makers, gunners' mates, boatswains' mates, carpenters' mates, quartermasters, captains of the fore-castle, pilots, and serjeants of marines, or land forces serving as marines, shall have one eighth part to be equally divided amongst them. The remaining two eighth parts to be divided into shares and distributed to the other part of the crew in the following proportions, namely;

To the remaining petty officers, viz.

Captains of the foretop, captains of the mast, corporals of marines, and volunteers of the first and second classes, four shares each.

To the able seamen, ordinary seamen, and marines and soldiers serving as marines, three shares each.

To the landsmen and all other ratings not before enumerated, together with passengers, and other persons borne as supernumeraries doing duty and assisting on board, two shares each.

Boys one share each.