

the proceeds of prizes captured from the enemy, and the said Order in Council of the thirtieth of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, for the distribution of the proceeds and rewards arising from the several other captures and seizures before-mentioned, be annulled, and the same are hereby annulled accordingly, save and except in so far as the said Proclamation or Order may have revoked any former Proclamation or Proclamations, Order or Orders respectively, and also save and except as to any captures or seizures which have been made before the day of the date of this Order, and any captures or seizures which shall be made after that day, and which shall be condemned or adjudged in any of His Majesty's Courts of Vice-Admiralty, before notice of this Order shall have been received by the Court of Vice-Admiralty in which such condemnation or adjudication shall pass, and that the proceeds of all such last-mentioned captures and seizures, together with all rewards conferred for the same, shall continue to be distributed in the proportions and manner directed in and by the said former Proclamation and Order respectively.

C. C. Greville.

By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

WILLIAM, R.

WHEREAS by Our Order in Council of this day's date, We were graciously pleased, for the reasons therein contained, to annul Our Royal Proclamation of the twenty-ninth of June one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, for granting the distribution of the net proceeds of prizes captured from the enemy, and also Our Order in Council of the thirtieth of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, for the distribution of the net proceeds of captures and seizures made by our ships and vessels of war, under the several Acts passed for the prevention of smuggling, and other Acts relating to Our Revenue of Customs and to Trade and Navigation, for the abolition of the slave trade, and for the capture and destruction of piratical vessels, and of the rewards which have been conferred for the same; and it is expedient that provision should be made by Us for the future distribution of such proceeds and rewards, We do now make known to all our loving subjects, and all others whom it may concern, by this Our Proclamation, by and with the advice and consent of Our Privy Council, that Our will and pleasure is, and We do hereby direct, that the distribution of such proceeds and rewards shall be made in the following manner, viz.

That the flag-officer or officers shall have one sixteenth part of the whole net proceeds arising from prizes captured from the enemy, and from all other captures and seizures as aforesaid, made by the ships and vessels under his command, and of the rewards conferred for the same, save and except as hereinafter provided and directed.

That the captain or captains, or commanders, of any of Our 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 capture or seizure, shall have one

sixth part of the remainder, and where there is no flag-officer one sixth part of the whole.

That the remainder shall be distributed into shares according to the annexed scale.

First class.—To the senior lieutenant, from first to fifth rates inclusive, or the commander acting as first lieutenant (where there is one), the master of the fleet, and field officer of marine (if embarked)—fifty-five shares each.

Second class.—To the other lieutenants, captain of marines, master, physician of the fleet, and secretary to the commander in chief—forty-five shares each.

Third class.—To the chaplain, surgeon, and other flag-officers, secretaries, purser, lieutenants of marines, boatswain, gunner, and carpenter—twenty-five shares each.

Fourth class.—To mates, second master, assistant-surgeon, schoolmaster, clerks, master at arms—eighteen shares each.

Fifth class.—To midshipmen, master's assistant, admiral's coxswain, ship's corporal, captain's coxswain, quartermaster, gunners' and boatswains' mates, captains of fore-castle and hold, coxswain of launch, caulker, sail-maker, carpenters' mates, armourer, captains of main and fore-tops, serjeant of marines—ten shares each.

Sixth class.—To captains of masts and after-guard, yeoman of signals, coxswain of pinnace, sail-makers, caulkers, and armourers' mates, cooper, rope-maker, volunteers of first class, ship's cook, corporals of marines—eight shares each.

Seventh class.—To seamen gunners, gunners' crew, carpenters, cooks, and sail-makers' crews, able seamen, yeomen of store-room, private and fifer of marines, above seven years—five shares each.

Eighth class.—To cook's mate, barber, ordinary seamen, captain's and purser's and ward-room stewards, captain's and ward room cooks, private and fifer of marines, under seven years, and admiral's steward, cook, and domestics.—three shares each.

Ninth class.—To landsmen, stewards' mates, and others not described, including supernumeraries for victuals only, boys of first class—two shares each.

Tenth class.—To boys of the second class—half a share each.

When land forces are embarked to serve as marines—they are to share according to their respective ranks as marines.

Secondly.—In the cases of prizes captured from the enemy, and all other captures and seizures as aforesaid, 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 commanded by captains or commanders, the said lieutenants to share as captains, and where more small vessels than one shall be together, the lieutenants shall have equal shares of the one sixth part.

But a lieutenant or lieutenants commanding small vessels, when in company with captains or commanders, shall share only as commanders doing duty as first lieutenants, or first lieutenants of first to fifth rates inclusive, namely,—they shall have fifty-five shares.

The remainder to be shared as in the foregoing scale, with the exception of the clerk in charge, who is to share as purser, but if a ship or vessel bearing a purser be present, he is to share only as a clerk.