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AT the Court at *Kensington*, the 4th Day of *September*, 1751,

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS his Majesty hath lately received Information, that the Plague hath for some Time past raged, and doth still continue to rage with the greatest Violence in Constantinople and in the Parts adjacent; and as it is of the utmost Importance to take the earliest Measures to prevent the Contagion being brought by Goods or Persons coming from any of the Places so infected, into this Kingdom, or the Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark and Man—His Majesty out of his great Care and tender Regard for the Preservation of his People, is hereby pleased, with the Advice of his Privy Council, to order, that all such Ships and Vessels as are arrived from the Levant, and not yet unladen, or that shall hereafter arrive in any Port of this Kingdom, or of the Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark or Man, from the Levant, do make their Quarantine for Forty Days, which are to commence and be computed from the Day each Ship or Vessel shall come to Anchor in the Place appointed for performing such Quarantine, and not before.

That the Place for performing Quarantine by such Ships and Vessels bound to the Rivers of Thames and Medway, be Standgate Creek on the South of the River Medway, opposite to the Isle of Grain; and by such Ships and Vessels coming into any other of the Ports of Great Britain, be such Places as shall be appointed by the Officers of his Majesty's Customs in such Ports, who are hereby impowered and required to appoint proper Places for the same; and that the Places for performing Quarantine within any Port of the said Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark or Man, be such Places as shall be appointed by the respective Governors or Deputy Governors of the said respective Isles, who are hereby impowered and required to appoint proper Places for the same.

That until and during the Time for making such Quarantine, no Person coming, or Goods imported in any such Ship or Vessel, shall come on Shore, or be landed in any Place within this Kingdom, or any of the said Isles.

That no Pilot shall go on Board any Ship or Vessel obliged to perform Quarantine, in order to conduct the same into any Port or Place, but shall perform such Service in some other Boat or Vessel, which Boat or Vessel shall keep as much to the Windward of the Ship or Vessel so to be conducted as possible; and if any Pilot or other Person shall go on Board such Ship or Vessel, such Pilot or other Person shall perform Quarantine, in like Manner as any Person coming in such Ship or Vessel shall be obliged to perform the same.

That if at the Expiration of the Forty Days Quarantine to be performed by any Ship or Vessel that is or shall be liable thereto, it shall appear to the Officers of the Customs in the Place where such Ship or Vessel shall be, and the Master or other Persons taking Charge of such Ship or Vessel, together with two other Persons belonging to the said Ship or Vessel, shall make Oath before the Customer, Comptroller or Collector of the Port where such Quarantine shall be performed, or the next Port thereunto, or before any of their Deputies, or any one Justice of the Peace near adjoining to such Port, or (where such Quarantine shall have been performed within any of the said Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, or Man) before any two Jurates or Magistrates of any of the said Isles respectively, That such Ship or Vessel, and all and every Person and Persons therein have duly performed their Quarantine as aforesaid, and that the Ship or Vessel, and all the Persons on Board, are free from Infection, that then the respective Persons coming in such Ship or Vessel (a Certificate of such Oaths being made by the Persons before whom the same shall be taken) shall be permitted to go on Shore, but the Goods imported in such Ship or Vessel, together with the Bedding of the Sailors, shall be landed, opened and aired, and so remain a Week, and after may be brought to the Places of their Discharge, other than Hemp and Flax, Paper or Books, Silk raw, thrown or wrought, Linen, Cotton Wool, Cotton Yarn, or manufactured, Wool raw, or in any wise wrought, Feathers, Grograin, or Mohair Yarn, Human Hair, Goats Hair, Carmenja Wool, Carpets, Camlets, Burdets, or other Manufactures of Silk and Cotton, Kid Skins, and Skins in the Wool or Hair, Sponges, Wine and Oil in Chests, Thread Stockings, all Goods packed with Straw or Cotton, Straw Hats and Brushes, Matting