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AT the Council-Chamber, *Whitehall*, the  
28th Day of *May*, 1752.

P R E S E N T,

Their Excellencies the Lords Justices in Council.

THEIR Excellencies the Lords Justices in Council were this Day pleased to Order, That the Parliament, which stands prorogued to Thursday the Fourth of June next, should be further prorogued to Thursday the Sixteenth Day of July following.

WHEREAS upon Information given to his Majesty in September last, that the Plague did at that Time rage with the greatest Violence in Constantinople, and in the Parts adjacent:— His Majesty was pleased, out of his tender Regard for the Preservation of his People, and for the better preventing the Contagion from being brought into this Kingdom, or into the Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark or Man, to issue his Order in Council upon the 4th Day of the said Month of September, requiring and commanding all Ships and Vessels at that Time arrived and not unladen, or that should thereafter arrive in any of the Ports of this Kingdom, or of the Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark or Man, from the Levant, to perform a Quarantine of Forty Days, and to observe such Rules and Directions as were particularly specified in the said Order: And for avoiding all Doubts concerning the Extent of the Levant, his Majesty was further pleased, by a subsequent Order in Council dated the 11th of October last, to declare and order, that the Limits of the Levant should be understood in this Case, to extend Eastward from the Isle of Corfu on the Borders of Greece in the Ionian Sea, and from Cape Rufata on the Coast of Barca in Africa. — In pursuance of which Orders, all Ships and Vessels, Goods and Persons, coming from any Ports or Places within the said Limits, have hitherto not only performed a full Quarantine of Forty Days, but the Goods have likewise been opened, unpacked, and aired, before the Ship hath been permitted to unload: And whereas the Levant Company have presented a Petition to their Excellencies the Lords Justices at this Board, setting forth, (amongst other

Things) that the Plague hath ceased at Constantinople, and that there hath not been in any of the other Parts of Turkey, any Pestilential Distemper for a great Length of Time past, and that they had been credibly informed, that a Dutch Ship having a clean Bill of Health from Smyrna, was lately permitted to come up to the City of Amsterdam, and to unload directly, without the Performance of any Quarantine; they therefore prayed, That all Ships from Turkey belonging to his Majesty's Subjects, and accompanied with clean Bills of Health, might be permitted for the Future, to come to the Place of Discharge, and there unload as usual, without any Interruption on Account of Quarantine: And whereas there was this Day laid before their Excellencies, the Advices which have lately been received from his Majesty's Minister at the Ottoman Porte, whereby it appears, that the Cities of Constantinople and Smyrna have been for several Months past, and are at this Time free from all Manner of Contagion; — And likewise a Letter from his Majesty's Minister in Holland, representing that the States General have received the like Advices from their Minister in Turkey, and that they had thereupon come to the following Resolutions on the 1st of this Instant May, viz.

“ To allow for the present, and until further Orders, to all Ships coming from Smyrna with clean Bills of Health, a free Navigation to the Places of their Destination, without observing the Quarantine or other Precautions, after they shall have been previously and diligently visited and found in perfect Health—But with respect to Ships and Vessels that might arrive from other Places specified in their Placard of the 23d of November last, That they should be held to a Quarantine of Twenty Days only, in Case they shall bring clean Bills of Health, and shall be found free from any Suspicion of Contagion; but such Ships are to observe all the other Rules and Directions required to be complied with by Ships coming from Smyrna, except only the Vessel named Ruggenhof, Captain John Westerdyck, of which Mention is made at large in their High Mightinesses Resolution of the 16th of December last; with respect to which, it is ordered, That whatever Place she shall come into, though

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