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AT the Court at St. James's, the 7th Day of March, 1753.

P R E S E N T;

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS Mons. Hop, Envoy Extraordinary from their High Mightinesses the States General of the United Provinces, hath presented a Memorial to his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, setting forth, "That three Dutch Ships, named the Groenlandia, the Buynvis, and the Vrouw Leonora, were sent, the Beginning of last Year, upon the Greenland Whale Fishery, where they were froze up, on the 21st of August; That the Crews did thereupon return to Holland with Commodore Harmanse, having first secured the said three Ships by their Anchors in the best Manner they could, in Hopes of finding them again, upon their going to Greenland this Year—That three Ships are now ordered to be fitted out to sail for Greenland in Search of the said Vessels so left there; but the Owners and Freighters having been under some Apprehensions, lest the said Ships should be taken and carried away by Persons who have no Right or Title thereto, had therefore made Application to the States General, praying, that all Persons might be forbid to intermeddle with the said Ships and their Cargoes, except only those, who shall be authorized to go and look after them: And the States General having complied therewith, the necessary Placards have been issued for that Purpose;—The aforementioned Envoy Extraordinary therefore humbly begs, that the like Orders may be given with Regard to His Britannick Majesty's Subjects." Which Memorial being this Day laid before His Majesty at this Board, the same was taken into Consideration: And His Majesty is pleased, with the Advice of His Privy Council, to Order, as it is hereby Ordered, That none of His Majesty's Subjects do presume to seize, take away, or molest the aforementioned Dutch Ships, or any of them, or their, or either of their Cargoes, or otherwise to intermeddle therewith, without the Consent of the Owners thereof, or such as shall be authorized to take Care of the same, as they shall answer the contrary at their Peril.—And to the End, that all His Majesty's Subjects may be informed hereof, It is His Majesty's Commands, that this Order be printed and published in the London Gazette.

W. Sharpe.

Lisbon, Feb. 6. Their Majesties, and the Royal Family, continue to enjoy perfect Health at Salvaterra; to which Place the Secretaries of State went last Week. We are informed by Letters from Rio de Janeiro, brought by the Fleet of Merchantmen lately arrived from thence, that the Differences between the Spaniards and Portuguese in those Parts, in Relation to Nova Colonia, were as good as adjusted; and that 'twas only owing to some Disputes in settling the Limits, that the Spaniards had not taken Possession of the Town and District of St. Sacramento, as ceded to them by this Crown. They have lately discovered a Tomb of white Marble in digging near Elvas, which is thought, by our best Antiquarians, to be an old Roman Tomb.

Naples, Feb. 14. On Wednesday Morning last their Majesties, accompanied by several of the principal Lords and Ladies of the Court, set out for Bovino, where they propose to spend some Time in hunting. The Accounts we have just received, that two Ships from Apulia, loaden with Corn, &c. for this Port, are lost in their Passage in a violent Storm, give us Pain for the Arrival of several Vessels from the Abruzzo; and the rather, as we have had no Accounts of them since they failed from thence, and have been impatiently expecting them for some Days.

Rome, Feb. 17. The Hereditary Prince of Anspach is shortly expected here from Venice, for whose Reception a fine Hotel is fitting up. Yesterday died in this City, after a tedious Illness, Cardinal Thomas Ruffo, Dean of the Sacred College; and To-morrow his Corps is to be interred in the Church of St. Lawrence.

Genoa, Feb. 17. The Great and Little Council have assembled several Times this Week, to deliberate on some Dispatches the Government have lately received from the Court of Versailles, and from the Marquess de Grimaldi, Commissary General of this Republick in the Island of Corsica. They write from Madrid, that Orders have been sent to all the Ports in Spain, to hasten the equipping of their Men of War, the Spaniards intending to have a strong Squadron ready to put to Sea in the Spring, if the Exigency of Affairs should require it. We are informed by the Master of a French Ship arrived here a few Days ago from the Archipelago, that a Felucca belonging to this Republick, which sailed from the Island of Schiros the Beginning of this Month, loaden with Corn and Silk, had been attacked and taken, after an obstinate Engagement, by a Tripolitan Corsair, and that all the People on board were immediately put in Irons.

Modena, Feb. 17. Last Monday, being the Octava of St. Geminien, Patron of this City, his Serene Highness the Duke our Sovereign went in Procession

