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AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 13th Day of January 1758,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Time limited by His Majesty's Order in Council, of the Ninth of November last, For paying the respective Bounties therein mentioned, to all Able and Ordinary Seamen, and also to all Able-bodied Landmen, who should voluntarily enter themselves in His Majesty's Royal Navy; and likewise for paying the Rewards to Persons discovering Seamen who should conceal themselves, will expire upon the Fourteenth Day of this Instant January: And whereas it is judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, That the Bounties and Rewards thereby given, should be continued to be paid for some Time longer; His Majesty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby Order, That the Bounties of Three Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years; and of Thirty Shillings for every Able-bodied Landman, not above the Age of Thirty-five, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, be continued to be paid to such Seamen and Landmen respectively, who shall, on or before the Twenty-eighth Day of February next, enter themselves in the Royal Navy, in the Manner directed by His Majesty's Proclamation of the Fourth Day of January 1757: And likewise, That the Rewards of Two Pounds for every Able, and Twenty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, be continued to be paid to any Persons who shall, on or before the said Twenty-eighth Day of February next, discover any Seaman or Seamen who shall conceal themselves, so as such Seaman or Seamen be taken for His Majesty's Service. Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

W. Blair.

Florence, Dec. 17. On the 11th Instant failed from Leghorn his Britannick Majesty's Ship the *Rainbow*, Captain *Basset*, who, on the 2d, anchored there from Gibraltar with three Merchant Men under her Convoy, two whereof were for Leghorn, and the third for Naples, to which Place he proceeded.

Admiralty-Office, January 14.

Captain *Lockhart*, of the *Tartar*, is arrived at Plymouth with a French Ship and Snow from *St. Domingo*, taken by himself and the *Magnanime*.

These Prizes failed from Cape Francois on

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the 12th of November, with 34 Sail of Merchant Ships under Convoy of the *Intrepide*, *Opiniatre*, *Sceptre*, *Greenwich*, and three Frigates.

The Prisoners informed Captain *Lockhart*, that His Majesty's Ships *Edinburgh*, *Dreadnought*, *Augusta*, and a Sloop, had block'd up the Harbour of Cape Francois for some Weeks: That on the 15th of October all the French Squadron failed to drive the English off the Coast; and the next Day the two Squadrons came to a close Engagement, which continued till Night, when the French Squadron, having the Land Breeze, with the Help of their Frigates, were towed into Port, greatly disabled, and the *Opiniatre* dismasted. They had 300 Men killed, and as many wounded. The French themselves allow the English to have acquired great Honour, and that nothing but the Night, and the Assistance of their Frigates, saved their Squadron. The Prisoners also informed Capt. *Lockhart*, that the Princess *Mary*, some Days before the Action, had been disabled in her Masts by Lightning, and was gone to Jamaica.

The *Medway* and *Lowestoffe* are also arrived at Plymouth with two French Ships, one of 300 Tons, 8 Guns, 23 Seamen, and 19 Soldiers; the other of 350 Tons, 20 Carriage and 10 Swivel Guns, 61 Seamen, and 20 Soldiers, both laden with Provisions for *Louisburgh*; the former of which was taken by the *Sterling Castle* and *Essex*, the latter by the *Lowestoffe*, on the 2d Instant.

The Prisoners say they sailed from *L'Isle d'Aix*, in Company with three other Merchant Ships laden with Provisions for *Louisburgh*, under Convoy of the *Prudente* and *Capricieux*, and the *Tripon* and *Heroine* Frigates, the two former of which parted Company with them the Day before they were taken.

The Frigates made their Escape from our Ships by its falling little Wind, before which His Majesty's Ships out failed them greatly; but there is Reason to believe that the other Merchant Ships are taken by the Ships that were left in Chase of them.

The *Brilliant* and *Coventry* are likewise arrived at Plymouth with two Prizes, one from *St. Domingo*, the other from *Cape Breton*.

Whitehall Treasury Chambers, Dec. 1, 1757.

WHEREAS adhering to the King's Enemies, by giving to them Aid or Comfort, either within his Realm, or elsewhere, is High Treason, and the Concealment thereof is Murther of Treason;

And Whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have received Information, That a Loan of Money for that Purpose is at this Time negotiating in this Kingdom; Their Lordships do hereby promise a Reward

