

their Largoes at the Time when they were taken and that Reparation be also given according to Justice for any further Damage occasioned by the Detention of such Prizes till the Time of their being delivered up excepting any Seizures that may have been or may be made on Account of an illegal Trade carried on contrary to the Laws and Treaties of Peace and Commerce subsisting between the two (countries) And I do also hereby publish and make known that his Catholic Majesty has by his Lettula given at Seville 14th December 1729 signified his Pleasure to the Vice Rroys of Peru and New Spain, and other the Governors and Officers of his Dominions in those parts, that the Orders for cessation of Hostilities which he issued on 25th April 1728 strictly observed by all his Subjects; and that accordingly all Prizes taken by them from the English Subjects in America from the Time of the Arrival of his said Orders at Cartagena mentioned in the said King's Lettulas to be on 22 of June 1728 be punctually restored, or in default thereof the just Value of the said Prizes and their Largoes at the Time when they were taken, and that Reparation according to Justice be also given for any further Damage occasioned by the Detention thereof till the time of their being delivered up excepting Seizures made on Account of illegal Trade in the Places and limits prohibited by the laws and the Treaties of Peace and Commerce. And whereas notwithstanding the Peace and Friendship subsisting between the Two Nations and contrary to the Orders of the King of Spain the Pyratical Practices of Spaniards and Others nevertheless continuing to the great damage of His Majestys Subjects and as all Vessels acting in such manner in Time of Peace are to be reputed no other than Pirates whether they cruise at Sea without any Commission, or having Commissions do nevertheless spoil and plunder the Ships and Goods of his Majestys Subjects contrary to the Treaties; His Majesty having graciously determined to use all possible means that may most effectually put a stop to such Violences for the future, and protect his Subjects in their lawful Trade and Navigation has signified his Royal Pleasure to me the Receiver; and pursuant to his Royal Commands, that I should make it known in the several Ports of this Government to all his loving Subjects that they may know where and in what manner to apply for Redress on such Occasions; I do hereby