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397 Sir, Enclosed you have Extracts from the Act for the Defence of the Bay, we have wrote to the Lieutenant of the County to have that Part of the Law, ^{and} respecting the Removal of the Inhabitants put immediately into Execution. We recommend to your immediate Attention that Part of the Law directing Provisions to be made for the Inhabitants who may be removed from the Islands.

Circular to the Justices of Somerset
Dorset and Worcester Counties.

In Council, 24th April, 1781.

398 Sir, The General Assembly being summoned to meet in this City the tenth Day of May next to deliberate on Business of the first Importance to the State; It is our wish that every Cause which might prevent or impede their assembling at that Day should be removed. And as many of that Body have not had the small Pox and may be deterred from coming unless they are satisfied there is no Danger of taking the Infection, we most earnestly request you would not inoculate any Person in this City or its Vicinity after this Day.

Circular to the Doctors Murray Doctell and Stewart.

In Council, 24th April, 1781.

399 Sir, We have enclosed you Extracts from the Act for the Defence of the Bay, and do hereby empower and authorize you immediately to remove all the Inhabitants from the Islands in your County described in the Law with all their Stock and other Property to some part of the Main and to seize and sell all Ketches Boats or Canoes belonging to any of the said Inhabitants, such removal to take place before the 1st Day of May next; You'll observe that no Person is to live on any of the Islands described by the Law during the present Year under the Penalties mentioned therein and all Ketches Boats or Canoes employed by any Person to pass to any of the said Islands without your Leave are liable to Seizure and Confiscation. We request your particular Attention to this Part of the Law.

Circular to the Justices of Somerset
Dorset and Worcester Counties.