

of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, entitled, an Act for giving effect to a treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, for the apprehension of certain offenders.

Dated this 25th day of December, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three, and given under my hand and seal on the said date.

(Signed)

H. T. GILBERT, [L. S.]
Pol. Mag. & Jus. of the Peace.

G.

COMMISSION OF THE C. S. PRIVATEER "RETRIBUTION," AND TRANSFER TO CAPTAIN PARKER.

JEFFERSON DAVIS,

President of the Confederate States of America.

To all who shall see these presents,—Greeting:

Know ye, that by virtue of the power vested in me by law, I have commissioned and do hereby commission, have authorized and do hereby authorize the vessel called the "Retribution" (more particularly described in the Schedule hereunto annexed,) whereof Thomas B. Power is Commander, to act as a private armed vessel in the service of the Confederate States, on the high seas, against the United States of America, their ships, vessels, goods and effects, and those of their citizens, during the pendency of the war now existing between the said Confederate States and the said United States.

This commission to continue in force until revoked by the President of the Confederate States for the time being.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Confederate States at

(L.S.) Richmond this 27th day of October, A. D., 1862.

By the President,

(Signed)

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

(Signed)

J. P. BENJAMIN, Secretary of State.

Schedule of description of the vessel.

Name—Retribution.

Tonnage—150.

Armament—3 guns.

No. of Crew—30.

(Endorsed.)

State of South Carolina, }
District of Charleston. }

I hereby transfer the command of the schooner Retribution to John Parker
Witness, my hand and Seal, this twenty-first day of November. 1862.

Witness

(Signed)

THOMAS B. POWER, (L.S.)

(Signed)

W. F. COLCOCK, Collector.

H.

ORDERS FROM CAPTAIN PARKER TO LIEUT. BRAINE.

ORDERS.

To Lieut. Commanding John Clibborn Braine, You are hereby ordered to proceed to the City of New York and State aforesaid with the following officers; 1st Lieut. H. A. Parr, 2nd Lieut. David Collins, Sailing Master Tom Sayers, 1st Engineer Smith, and crew of 22 men. You will upon arrival there engage passage on board the steamer and use your own discretion as to the proper time and place of capture. Your action towards crew and passengers will be strictly in accordance with the President's instructions. You will as circumstances may permit bring your prize to the Island of Grand Manan for further orders, Seal Cove Harbor if accessible.

(Signed)

JOHN PARKER,
Capt. C. S. Privateer Retribution.

December 2nd, 1863.