

American Seas fifty years ago. And in the first year of it, I had the honour of presenting YOUR MAJESTY, then at New York, with a copy of a tract on the same subject as this, under the title of "An Address to the Officers serving in His Majesty's ships of war in the West Indies and America in the autumn of the year 1780." I have now the honour of presenting a like Address, to be distributed among the present Officers of the Royal Navy, illustrative of the progressive improvements which have accrued to YOUR MAJESTY'S service from pursuing the various means I recommended, and which I now lay at YOUR MAJESTY'S feet.

I have here stated, in as few words as possible, what are these salutary means, and enumerated the resulting advantages; which are, that YOUR MAJESTY'S Navy can be maintained in a state of efficient duty by an incalculable diminution of the requisite number of seamen, of the amount of tonnage and of the necessary expenditure of treasure in the present day, and in future, as compared