

A P P E N D I X.

Nº V.

EXTRACT of a LETTER from MR. MEARES to CAPT. WILLIAM DOUGLAS,
Commanding the IPHIGENIA; dated at Sea, 2d February, 1788.

[In Mr. Meares's Memorial of the 30th April, 1790. No III.]

ON your return to Macao you will seal up your log-book, charts, plans, &c. &c. and forward them to Daniel Beale, Esquire, Canton, who is the ostensible agent for the concern; and you have the most particular injunctions not to communicate, or give copies of any charts or plans that you may make, as your employers assert a right to all of them, and as such will claim them.

Should you, in the course of your voyage, meet with the vessels of any other nation, you will have as little communication with them as possible; should they be of superior force, and desire to see your papers, you will shew them. You will be on your guard against surprize. Should they be either Russian, English, Spanish, or any other civilized nation, and be authorized to examine your papers, you will permit them, and treat them with civility and friendship; but at the same time you must be on your guard. Should they attempt to seize you, or even carry you out of your way, you will prevent it by every means in your power, and repel force by force; you will on your arrival protest publicly, before a proper officer, against such illegal procedure, and ascertain, as near as you can, the value of your cargo and vessel, and send such protest, with a full account of the transaction, to us at China.

Should you, in such conflict, have the superiority, you will then take possession of the vessel that attacked you, as also her cargo, and bring both, with the officers and crew, to China, that they may be condemned, and their crews punished as pirates.

Nº VI.

EXTRACT of a LETTER from MR. MEARES to MR. R. FUNTER, *Second Officer of the FELICE, commanding the AMERICA, dated Friendly Cove, Nootka Sound, 10th Sept. 1788.*

[In Mr. Meares's Memorial of the 30th April, 1790. To accompany Inclosure No III.]

YOU are, on no account, to hoist any colours until such time as your employers give you orders for this purpose, except on taking possession of any new discovered land; you will then do it, with the usual formality, for the Crown of Great Britain.

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