

N^o. VIII. *TREATY of Amity, Commerce and Navigation, between Great-Britain and Russia, 2d of December, 1734.*

Art. II. There shall be an entire Freedom of Navigation and Commerce throughout all the Dominions of the two contracting Parties in Europe, where Navigation and Commerce are at this Time permitted, or shall be permitted hereafter by the contracting Parties to the Subjects of any other Nation.

Art. III. The Subjects of both contracting Parties may enter at all Times into all the Ports, Places or Towns of either of the contracting Parties, with their Ships, Vessels and Carriages, laden or unladen, into which the Subjects of any other Nation are permitted to enter, to trade or abide there; and the Mariners, Passengers and Vessels, whether Russian or English, even though there should be any Subjects of any other strange Nation among the Crew, shall be received and treated in like manner as the most favoured Nation, and the Mariners and Passengers shall not be forced to enter into the Service of either of the contracting Parties, which may have Occasion for their Service; and the Subjects of both contracting Parties may buy all Kind of Necessaries, which they shall stand in Need of, at the current Price; and repair and refit their Ships, Vessels or Carriages, and furnish themselves with all Manner of Provisions for their Subsistence and Voyage, abide and depart at their Pleasure, without Molestation or Impediment; provided they conform themselves to the Laws and Ordinances of the respective States of the said contracting Powers, where they shall so arrive or continue.

Art. XIV. The Subjects of Great-Britain may bring by Sea or by Land into all or any of the Dominions of Russia, wherein the Subjects of any other Nation are permitted to trade, all Sorts of Goods and Merchandizes, whereof the Importation and Traffick are not prohibited; and in like Manner the Subjects of Russia may bring into all or any of the Dominions of Great-Britain, wherein the Subjects of any other Nation are allowed to traffick, all Sorts of Merchandizes of the Produce or Manufacture of the Dominions of Russia, whereof the Importation and Traffick are not prohibited, and likewise all Merchandizes of the Produce or Manufacture of Asia; provided that it is not actually prohibited by any Law now in Force in Great-Britain; and they may buy and export out of the Dominions of Great-Britain, all Manner of Goods and Merchandizes, which the Subjects of any other Nation may buy therein and export from thence, and particularly Gold and Silver wrought or unwrought, excepting the Silver coined Money of Great-Britain.

Art. XXVIII. The Subjects of both Parties shall be respected and treated in their respective Dominions in like Manner as the most favoured Nation, and the Subjects of Russia which shall come into England in order to learn Arts and Commerce there, shall be protected, favoured and instructed: Likewise if any Russian Vessels shall be met with out at Sea by any English

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