

6 TRIAL OF EDWARD AND MARGARET JORDAN.

The Right Honorable LORD JAMES TOWNSEND,
Commander of H. M. ship *Æolus*.

JOHN SIMPSON, Esquire, Commander of H. M.
ship *La Furieuse*.

SAMUEL HOOD GEORGE, Esquire, Secretary of the
Province.

THOMAS NICHOLSON JEFFERY, Esquire, Collector
of the Customs for the Port of Halifax.

CROFTON UNIACKE, Esquire, acted as Registrar of
the Court, under a special Commission, appointing
him to that office.

His Majesty's Commission, under the great Seal of
the Admiralty of England, issued pursuant to the
statute of the 11th and 12th of William 3rd, appointing
certain Persons, therein named, Commissioners for the
Trial of Piracies, Felonies, and Robberies, committed
on the High Seas, and bearing date the 30th of Octo-
ber 1784, was read; after which the Commissioners
names were called over by the Registrar, and His Excel-
lency the President having first taken the oath* pre-
scribed by the aforesaid Statute, administered it to the
other Commissioners except the Hon. *Andrew Belcher*,
Esq. who, being an underwriter on the Schooner *Three*
Sisters, declined taking the oath, and withdrew.

The Registrar was then sworn, by the President, to
perform the duties of his office; after which he read
the Precept, which had been issued to *Jones Fawson*
Esq. (who had been appointed Provost Marshall) for
summoning the Commissioners, and the return thereto.
The Court was then opened by Proclamation.

The Commissioner's names having been again called
overt; *JAMES STEWART*, Esq. His Majesty's Solicitor
General for the Province, who, together with *Foster*
Hutchinson, Esq. conducted the prosecution, delivered
to the Registrar, Articles of Allegation against *Edward*
Jordan, and *Margaret his wife*, wherein they were

* See Appendix No. 2. — *Richard John Uniacke*, Esq. Attorney General
of the Province, had taken his Seat on the Bench, as being a Member of his
Majesty's Council.

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