At the Court at *St. James's*, the 16th of *January*, 1788.

PRESENT:

The KING'S Most Excellent MAJESTY.

Lord Chancellor.	Lord *Herbert*.
Lord Privy Seal.	Lord *Onslow*.
Lord Steward.	Lord *Sydney*.
Marquis of *Carmarthen*.	Lord *Hawkesbury*.
Viscount *Weymouth*.	Mr. *Pitt*.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board, the humble memorial of Sir *George Baker*, Baronet, physician to their Majesties, and president of the College or Commonalty of the Faculty of Physic in *London*, setting forth, that the said President and College have, with great care, pains,

and induſtry, reviſed, corrected, and reformed a book by them formerly publiſhed, intituled *Pharmacopœia Collegii Regalis Medicorum Londinenſis*, preſcribing and directing the manner of preparing all ſorts of medicines therein contained, together with the true weights and meaſures by which they ought to be made: which book is now perfected and ready to be publiſhed, and it is conceived, will contribute to the public good of His Majeſty's Subjects, by preventing all deceits, differences, and uncertainties in making or compounding of medicines, if, for the future, the manner and form preſcribed therein ſhould be practiſed by Apothecaries and others in their compoſitions of medicines: The Memorialiſt therefore moſt humbly prays, that His Majeſty will be graciouſly pleaſed to enforce the obſervance thereof in ſuch manner as to His Majeſty ſhall ſeem meet:—His Majeſty this day took the ſaid memorial into His Royal Conſideration, and being deſirous to provide in all caſes for the common good of his people, and being perſuaded that the eſtabliſhing the general uſe of the ſaid book

book may tend to the prevention of ſuch deceits in the making and compounding medicines wherein the lives and health of his Majeſty's ſubjects are ſo highly concerned, hath therefore thought fit, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, hereby to notify to all Apothecaries and others concerned, to the intent they may not pretend ignorance thereof, that the ſaid book, called *Pharmacopœia Collegii Regalis Medicorum Londinenſis*, is perfected and ready to be publiſhed: and His Majeſty doth therefore ſtrictly require, charge, and command all and ſingular Apothecaries and others whoſe buſineſs it is to compound medicines, or diſtil oils or waters, or make other extracts, within any part of His Majeſty's kingdom of *Great Britain* called *England*, dominion of *Wales*, or town of *Berwick* upon *Tweed*, that they and every of them, immediately after the ſaid *Pharmacopœia Collegii Regalis Medicorum Londinenſis* ſhall be printed and publiſhed, do not compound, or make any medicine or medicinal receipt or preſcription, or diſtil any oil or waters, or make other extracts that are or

ſhall be in the ſaid *Pharmacopœia Collegii Regalis Medicorum Londinenſis* mentioned or named, in any other manner or form than is or ſhall be directed, preſcribed, and ſet down in the ſaid book, and according to the weights and meaſures that are or ſhall be therein limited, except it ſhall be by the ſpecial direction or preſcription of ſome learned phyſician in that behalf. And His Majeſty doth hereby declare, that the offenders to the contrary ſhall not only incur his Majeſty's juſt diſpleaſure, but be proceeded againſt for ſuch their contempt and offences, according to the utmoſt ſeverity of Law.

W. Fawkener.