Spanish Galleons.

Stowage of the British slave ship "Brookes" under the regulated slave trade.
Act of 1788.

Notes: The "Brookes" after the regulation Act of 1788, was allowed to carry 454 slaves. She could stow this number by following the rule adopted in this plate namely of allowing a space of 6ft by 1ft 4inch to each man, 5ft 10inch by 1ft 4inch to each woman and 5ft by 1ft 2inch to each boy but so much space as this was seldom allowed even after the regulation act.
It was proved by the confession of the slave Merchant that before the above Act the Brookes had at one time carried as many as 609 Slaves. This was done by taking some out of irons and locking them spoon wise to use the technical term that is by stowing one within the distended legs of the other.
Lithographer J. Arrowsmith.