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BY THE KING
A PROCLAMATION,
FOR A GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

GEORGE R.

WE, taking into our most serious consideration the indispensable duty which we owe to Almighty God for the recent and signal interposition of his good Providence, in addition to the manifold and inestimable benefits which these kingdoms had already received at his hands, manifested by the blessing bestowed on our arms in the late memorable battle, fought in distant seas, as well as by the deliverance of our dominions from invasion, and from intestine commotions, through the energy and valour of our naval and military forces, and the loyalty and courage of our faithful subjects, which, exerted in a righteous cause, it has pleased the Divine goodness to crown with success, have thought fit, by the advice of our Privy Council, to issue this our royal proclamation, hereby appointing and commanding, that a Public Thanksgiving to Almighty God for these his mercies, be observed throughout that part of our kingdom of Great Britain called Scotland, upon Thursday the twenty-ninth day of November next: And we do strictly charge and command, that the said public thanksgiving be reverently and decently observed by all our loving subjects in Scotland, on the said twenty-ninth day of November next, as they tender the favour of Almighty God, and would avoid his wrath and indignation, and upon pain of such punishment as we may justly inflict on all such as contemn or neglect the performance of so religious a duty. Our will and pleasure is therefore, and we charge, that, this our proclamation seen, ye forthwith pass to the market Cross of Edinburgh, and all other places needful, and there in our name and authority make publication

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thereof, that none pretend ignorance. And our will and pleasure is, that our Solicitor do cause printed copies hereof to be sent to the Sheriffs of the several shires, Stewards of Stewartries, and Bailiffs of regalities, and their clerk, whom we ordain to see the same published; and we appoint them to send copies thereof to the several parish churches within their bounds; that upon the Lord's day immediately preceding the day above mentioned, the same may be published and read from the pulpits immediately after divine service.

Given at our Court at St James's, the twenty-fourth day of October One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, in the thirty-eighth year of our reign.
GOD SAVE THE KING.

[The Gazette contains a similar proclamation for a Thanksgiving in England, to be observed on the same day.]

At the Court at *St James's*, the 24th of October 1798,
P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

It is this day ordered, by his Majesty in Council, that the Parliament which was to meet on Tuesday the sixth day of November, be prorogued to Tuesday the twentieth day of November next; then to meet for the dispatch of business. And the Right Hon. the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain is to cause a Commission to be prepared, in the usual manner, for proroguing the Parliament accordingly.

W. FAWKNER.

At the Court at *St James's*, the 24th of October 1798,
P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

This day the Right Hon. Charles Earl of Harrington was, by his Majesty's command, sworn of his Majesty's Council.

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