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FROM FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8. TO TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12. 1799.

BY THE KING.  
 A PROCLAMATION.  
 For a General Fast.

GEORGE R.

**W**E, taking into our most serious consideration the just and necessary war in which we are engaged, for the maintenance of the independence of our Crown, for the defence and protection of the commerce, and of the rights and liberties, civil and religious, of our subjects, and putting our trust in Almighty God, that he will graciously bless our arms, both by sea and land, have resolved, and do, by and with the advice of our Privy Council, hereby command, that a Public Fast and Humiliation be observed throughout that part of our kingdom of Great Britain called Scotland, on Thursday the 28th day of this instant February; that so both we and our people may humble ourselves before Almighty God, in order to obtain pardon of our sins; and may, in the most devout and solemn manner, send up our prayers and supplications to the Divine Majesty, for averting those heavy judgments which our manifold sins and provocations have most justly deserved, and imploring his blessing and assistance on our arms, and for restoring and perpetuating peace, safety, and prosperity, to us and our kingdoms: And we do strictly charge and command, that the said Public Fast be reverently and devoutly observed by all our loving subjects in Scotland, 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 and neglect the performance of so religious and necessary a duty. Our will is therefore, and we charge, that this our proclamation seen, ye forthwith pass to the Market Cross of Edinburgh, and all other places need-

ful, and there, in our name and authority, make publication hereof, 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 clerks, whom we ordain to see the same published; and we appoint them to send copies hereof 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 first day of February, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, in the thirty-ninth year of our reign.

GOD save the KING.

A similar Fast is appointed to be held in England, on Wednesday the 27th inst.

DUBLIN-CASTLE--January 23.

His Majesty having been pleased to translate the Right Reverend Father in God Doctor Hugh Hamilton, Lord Bishop of Clonfert and Kilmacduagh, to the Bishopric of Ossory, vacant by the translation of the Right Reverend Father in God Doctor Thomas Lewis O'Beirne to the Bishopric of Meath, letters patent have passed the Great Seal of this kingdom accordingly.

His Majesty having been pleased to promote the Reverend Mathew Young, Doctor in Divinity, to the united Bishoprics of Clonfert and Kilmacduagh; letters patent have passed the Great Seal of this kingdom accordingly.

Letters patent have passed the Great Seal of this kingdom, appointing the Right Hon. Isaac Corry his Majesty's Chancellor of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer, in this kingdom.

[Price Sixpence.]

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