

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS His Majesty was graciously pleased, by His Royal Proclamation bearing Date the Second Day of February last, to Promise and Declare (amongst other Things) That the Bounties of Six Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Three Pounds for every Ordinary Seaman, should be paid to every such Able and Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who should, on or before the Thirty-first Day of March last, enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of His Majesty's Ships, or the Chief Officers on Board such Tenders as should be employed for Raising Men for the Service of the Royal Navy; and that a Bounty of Thirty Shillings should be paid to every Able-bodied Landman, not above the Age of Thirty-five, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who should, on or before the said Thirty-first Day of March last, in like Manner, voluntarily enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy; and that a Reward of Five Pounds for every Able, and Two Pounds Ten Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, should be paid to any Person, who should discover any Seaman or Seamen who should secret themselves, so that such Seaman or Seamen should be taken for His Majesty's said Service—And whereas the Time limited for paying the said Bounties and Rewards expired on the Thirty-first of March last; and it being judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, that the same should be continued to be paid from the said 31st of March, to the 31st of May next; and that some Alterations should be made in the Manner of Payment of the said Bounties and Rewards—His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy-Council, doth therefore Order; and it is hereby accordingly ordered, That the aforementioned Bounties of Six Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Three Pounds for every Ordinary Seaman, be continued to be paid to every such Able and Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who shall, on or before the 31st Day of May next, voluntarily enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of His Majesty's Ships, or the Chief Officers on Board such Tenders as shall be employed for Raising Men for the Service of His Majesty's Navy; And also, that the Bounty of Thirty Shillings be continued to be paid to every Able-bodied Landman not above the Age of Thirty-five, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who shall, on or before the said 31st Day of May next, voluntarily enter themselves in like Manner to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy; And that such respective Sums be paid to all such Seamen and Landmen immediately upon their Entering, by the Officers, employed in Raising Men for His Majesty's Fleet, with whom such Seamen and Landmen shall respectively enter; and where there is not any Regulating Officer, by the Clerk of the Cheque or Naval Officer of any of His Majesty's Dock-yards—And His Majesty doth hereby further Order, That the aforementioned Rewards of Five Pounds for every Able, and Two Pounds Ten Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, be continued to be paid to any Person who shall discover any Seaman or Seamen who may secret themselves, so that such Seaman or Seamen shall be taken for His Majesty's said Service on or before the said 31st Day of May next, by any Sea Officers employed for raising Men, or be brought to any of the said Officers, or to the Clerks of the Cheque or Naval Officer at any of His Majesty's Dock-yards: The said Rewards to be paid for any Seaman or Seamen so discovered and taken in and about London, by the Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy; and at the Out-Ports, by the Naval Officers where there are any; and where there are no Naval Officers, by the Officers employed in Raising Men; or, in Case of there not being any such Officer or Officers, by

the Collectors of His Majesty's Customs, immediately upon a Certificate being produced to the said Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy, Naval Officers, Officers employed in procuring Men, or Collectors of His Majesty's Customs respectively, by the Person or Persons who may make Discovery of any Seaman or Seamen as aforesaid, certifying his Name, and the Name or Names, and Number of Seamen procured in Consequence of his Discovery; and the said Certificate to be given by such Officer as may take such Seaman or Seamen for His Majesty's Service—Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

*Hen. Fane.*

*St. James's, April 7.*

This Day the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons, of the City of London, in Common Council assembled, waited on His Majesty, and being introduced to His Majesty by the Earl of Bute, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, made their Compliments in the following Address, which was spoke by Sir William Moreton, Knight, the Recorder.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,  
The humble Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London, in Common Council assembled.

*May it please your Majesty,*

**G**RACIOUSLY to accept the humble Congratulations of your ever dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of your City of London, in Common Council assembled, upon the Glorious and Important Conquest of the Strong, Fertile and Opulent Island of Martinico, and the Consequential Surrender of Sainte Lucie; Acquisitions doubly valuable, as they considerably diminish the Naval and Commercial Strength of France, and proportionably extend and secure the Commerce and Navigation of Great Britain and her Colonies.

The amazing Rapidity of this Conquest reflects a Lustre upon our former Triumphs, as well as the highest Honour upon the Royal Wisdom that planned and directed, the Skill, Unanimity and Activity that conducted, and the heroic Valour of the Fleet and Army that effected it with so little Loss, and leaves your Majesty at full Liberty to turn your victorious Arms to other Places, where the Enemies of your Majesty, and your Kingdoms, are no less vulnerable, and will most sensibly feel the Necessity of dissolving their late dangerous Compact, and of submitting to Terms of Peace, adequate to our Successes, and the Expences of this just and necessary War; Your Majesty, undazzled by the Splendour of repeated Victories, having no other View than to vindicate the Honour of your Crown, and to establish and secure the just Rights and Possessions of your Subjects.

In so laudable a Pursuit, so becoming the Father of His People, your Majesty may firmly rely on the strongest and most chearful Efforts of the grateful Citizens of London, united in Duty and Affection to your Majesty's Sacred Person and Government, and in Zeal for the Glory and Prosperity of their Country.

Signed by Order of Court,  
*James Hodges.*

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return this most gracious Answer.

*I Thank you for your Loyal and Affectionate Congratulations, upon Our late Important Success. Too much Praise cannot be given to the Bravery and Conduct of My Fleet and Army. You say truly, that I am not dazzled by the Splendor of repeated Victories: The permanent Prosperity of My People, as a Free and Commercial Nation, has always been the Object of My Ambition: What conduces most to that End, I shall ever count My greatest Glory.*

They were all received very graciously, and had the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand.

*Stockholm.*