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By the KING, A PROCLAMATION,

Declaring His Majesty's Pleasure for Continuing Officers, not already removed or discharged, in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Isles of Jerjey, Guernsey, Alderney, and Sark.

GEORGE R.

HEREAS by an Act of Parliament made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Our late Royal Predecessor Queen Anne (intituled, An Act for the Security of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the Succession to the Crown of Great Britain in the Protestant Line) it was enacted (amongst other Taings) That no Office, Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within the Kingdoms of Great Britain or Ireland, Dominion of Wales, Town of Berwick upon Tweed, Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alde ney, and Sark, should become void by Reason of the Demise of Her said late Majesty, Her Heirs, or Successors, Kings or Queens of this Realm, but that all and every Person and Persons, in any of the Offices, Places, and Employments aforefaid, should continue in their respective Offices, Places, and Employments, for the Space of Six Months next after such Death or Demise, unless sooner removed or discharged by the next in Succession, to whom the Imperial Crown of this Realm was limited and appointed to remain and descend: And whereas the Space of Six Months from the Demife of Our Royal Grandfather, of Glorious Memory, was found not fufficient for passing and compleating new Grants, Commissions, and Appointments, for all the said Offices, Places, and Employments; We, for preventing the Inconveniencies that might have happened by the same becoming void, have been pleased by Our Royal Proclamations, to prolong from Time to Time the Continuation of Officers in their respective Offices, Places and Employments; and in Regard the Times limited by such Proclamations have been found not sufficient for passing and compleating new Grants, Commissions, and Appointments, for all the said Offices, Places, and Employments; We, for preventing the Inconveriencies that might happen by the same becoming void, out of Our Royal Wisdom and Care of this State (reserving to Our Judgement hereafter, the Reformation and Redress of any Misbehaviours or Abuses, upon due Knowledge and Examination thereof) are pleased to, and do hereby, with the Advice of Our Privy Council, Order, Signify, Grant, and Declare, That all Perfons who, at the Time of the Demise of Our said Royal Grandfather, were duly and lawfully possessed of, or invested in, any Office, Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within Our Kingdoms of Great Britain or Ireland, Dominion of Wales, Town of Berwick upon Tweed, Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, or Sark, and have not fince been removed or discharged from such their Offices, Places, or Employments, shall be, and shall be adjudged and taken to be, continued in, and hold and execute fuch their respective Offices, Places, and Employments, in the like Manner as, at the Time of the Demise of Our said late Royal Grandfather, they held, enjoyed, and executed the same, for the Space of Four Months from the Date hereof, unless sooner removed and discharged by Us: And in the mean Time, for the Preservation of the Peace, and necessary Proceedings in Matters of Justice, and for the Safety and Welfare of the State, We do hereby strictly Command all the faid Persons, of whatsoever Degree or Condition, That they do

not fail, every One severally, according to his Place, Office, and Charge, to proceed in the Performance and Execution of all Duties thereunto belonging, as formerly appertained unto them, and every of them, whilft Our faid Royal Grandfather was living. And further, We do hereby Will and Command all and fingular Our loving Subjects, of what Estate or Degree they, or any of them, be, to be aiding and affilting, at the Commandment of the faid Officers, in the Performance and Execution of the faid Offices, Places, and Employments, as they tender Our Displeasure, and will answer the Contrary at their utmost Perils.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, the Twelfth Day of January, One thousand seven hundred and fixty three, in the Third Year of Our

GOD Save the KING.

Like Proclamation was iffued for continuing Officers in Scotland for the further Space of Four Months; which Proclamation is to be passed under the Seal appointed by the Treaty of Union to be kept and made Use of, in the Place of the Great Seal of Scotland.

St. James's, January 15.
The following Address of the Lieutenant, Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, Clothiers, Freeholders, and Manufacturers of the County of Gloucester, has been presented to His Majesty by Norborne Berkeley, Esq; Lieutenant of the said County, and one of their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-Chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty, The humble Address of the Lieutenant, Nobility; Gentry, Clergy, Clothiers, Freeholders, and Manufacturers of the County of Gloucester.

Most gracious Sovereign, WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lieutenest N. 1. V jects, the Lieutenant, Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, Clothiers, Freeholders, and Manufacturers of the County of Gloucester, humbly beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty on having restored Peace to your People, which cannot fail of being acceptable to all from a Principle of Humanity; but as Lovers of our Country, we must rejoice that the Terms of it are honourable, and that our Arms having acquired the greatest Glory by the Extent of our Successes, our Counsels are intitled to the highest Applause from the wife and happy Use they have made of them.

We have obtained by this Peace more than we fought for; and in North America much more than we ever claimed: Have procured Advantages for our Fishery, which, rightly used, will entirely fru-firate the Attempts of our Rivals in that Article of Commerce: And in the West Indies we have made Acquisitions, which open a new Field, where the Industry of our Planters may exert itself without Prejudice to our old Colonies. In Africa we have acquired exclusively a new Branch of Commerce, and have left nothing to France in the East Indies, which will not be controuled by that superior Power, which, by the Terms of Peace, is stipulated there to remain to us.

Admirable has been our Conduct during the Spanish War, short in its Continuance, glorious by 1