

tion carrying on in some of Our Provinces and Colonies in North America, and putting Our Trust in Almighty God, that he will vouchsafe a special Blessing on Our Arms both by Sea and Land, have resolved, and do, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, hereby command, That a Publick Fast and Humiliation be observed throughout that Part of Our Kingdom of Great Britain called Scotland, on Thursday the Third Day of February next; 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 Publick 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 incontinent this Our Proclamation seen, ye pass to the Market Cross of Edinburgh, and all other Places needful, 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, Stewarts of Stewarties, and Bailiffs of Regalities, and their Clerks, whom We ordain to see the same published; and We appoint them to send Doubles hereof to the several Paroch Kirks 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 Thirtieth Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine, in the Twentieth Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the KING.

General Post-Office, December 25, 1779.

THE Bag of Letters from Leicester, of Monday the 13th Instant, which should have arrived here last Tuesday, not having come to Hand, and there being strong Reason to suspect that the said Bag was stolen at Dunstable on the Night of the 13th Instant, by a Person named Serjeant Taylor, a private Soldier in the Royal Irish Regiment, quartered at Dunstable, who deserted on Friday the 17th Instant.

The said Serjeant Taylor is described to be Twenty Years of Age, Five Feet Ten Inches high, wears his own Hair of a brown Colour clubbed, of a fair Complexion, grey Eyes, strait, well made, and handsome, except that one Leg is rather thicker than the other, was born at Kidderminster, is by Trade a Weaver, was enlisted by Lieutenant Ellis, of the Royal Irish, at Worcester, the 1st of January, 1777, and is supposed to be now dressed in a dark drab Coat, with cross Pockets, enamelled Buttons, a new-fashioned clouded Waistcoat of an orange Ground with black intermixed, and Death-head Buttons, a blue Surcoat of Bath Coating with a crimson Collar, Buckskin Breeches, and a round Hat with two narrow Bands and two Steel Buckles.

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the said Serjeant Taylor, will be intitled to a Reward of FIFTY POUNDS.

By Command of the Post-Master General,
Anth. Todd, Sec.

AVERAGE PRICES of CORN,

From December 27, 1779, to January 1, 1780.

By the Standard WINCHESTER Bushel of Eight Gallons.

	Wheat.	Rye.	Barley.	Oats.	Beans.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
London,	3 9	2 3	2 3	1 11	2 1

COUNTIES INLAND.

Middlesex,	3 7	2 1	1 9	2 6
Surry,	3 10	2 5	2 4	1 10
Hertford,	3 8	2 1	1 9	3 0
Bedford,	3 6	2 4	1 11	2 8
Cambridge,	3 4	2 0	1 11	1 7
Huntingdon,	3 1	1 11	1 6	2 10
Northampton,	3 6	2 1	2 0	1 6
Rutland,	3 7	2 1	1 6	2 1
Leicester,	3 9	2 5	2 1	1 6
Nottingham,	3 5	2 3	2 0	1 6
Derby,	4 0	2 3	1 6	2 6
Stafford,	3 9	2 1	1 8	3 0
Salop,	3 7	2 0	1 5	3 1
Hereford,	3 0	2 2	1 4	2 2
Worcester,				
Warwick,	3 3	2 1	1 9	2 10
Gloucester,	3 10	2 1	1 9	3 0
Wilts,	3 8	2 1	1 8	3 6
Berks,	3 9	2 0	1 9	2 9
Oxford,	3 10	1 11	1 10	2 8
Bucks,	3 7	2 0	1 8	2 6

COUNTIES upon the COAST.

Essex,	3 3	1 11	1 6	2 4
Suffolk,	3 3	2 1	1 8	2 4
Norfolk,	3 3	1 9	1 7	1 9
Lincoln,	3 2	2 3	1 5	2 7
York,	3 7	2 4	2 2	2 7
Durham,	3 11	2 6	1 5	3 2
Northumberland,	3 7	2 5	1 9	2 2
Cumberland,	3 7	2 9	1 4	3 0
Westmorland,	4 0	2 0	1 3	
Lancashire,	4 6	2 4	1 7	3 0
Cheshire,	4 3	2 5		
Monmouth,	3 10	2 1	1 5	
Somerset,	3 11	2 7	1 7	2 5
Devon,	3 10	1 10	1 4	
Cornwall,	3 8	1 10	1 4	
Dorset,	3 11	2 2	1 11	3 5
Hampshire,	3 8	2 2	1 11	3 0
Suffex,	3 5	2 2	1 9	2 8
Kent,	3 6	2 4	1 10	2 4

From December 20, to December 25, 1779.

W A L E S.

North Wales,	4 2	3 8	2 2	1 3	2 11
South Wales,	3 8	2 8	2 0	1 1	2 2

Part of S C O T L A N D.

Wheat.	Rye.	Barley.	Oats.	Beans.	Big.
s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
3 0	1 1	1 9	1 6	1 2	1 4

Published by Authority of Parliament,

John James Catherwood.

Pay-Office, Horse Guards, January 7, 1780.

THE Right Hon. the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces having ordered Six Months Half-Pay to be issued to all the Reduced Officers of His Majesty's Land Forces, from the 25th of June to the 24th of December, 1779; also Six Months Allowance to the Officers and Private Gentlemen of His Majesty's late Third and Fourth Troops of Horse Guards to the same Time: Notice is hereby declared, that on Monday next the 10th Instant, Attendance will be given at the abovesaid Office for Payment of the same accordingly.

Robert Randall.

Dartmouth, December 26, 1779.

NOTICE is hereby given to all Persons concerned in the Capture of the Neustra Senora del Piedad, taken by the Dart Privateer, Andrew Smith Commander, on her Passage from Buenos Ayres to Cadix, that the First Payment of Prize Money will be made by Messrs. Pinson and Leigh, on the 24th of January, 1780, at the House of Mr. John Carter, in Dartmouth aforesaid.