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By the KING,

A PROCLAMATION,
For Pardoning Deserters from the Land Forces.

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS divers Persons duly inlisted, or in Pay as Soldiers in certain Regiments and Military Corps, which have been since disbanded or disembodied, and in other Regiments or Corps now subsisting, have deserted Our Service, and thereby incurred the Penalties respectively inflicted for such Offence, by several Acts of Parliament passed for punishing Mutiny and Desertion: And whereas We are graciously disposed to extend Our Royal Mercy to the said Offenders, who may be hereafter useful to their Country in following their honest and lawful Occupations, in case they are enabled thereto by receiving Our free Pardon; We have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation; and We do hereby, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, pardon and remit all and every such Offence and Offences of Desertion from any such Regiments or Military Corps, committed by any Person or Persons, previous to the Date of this Our Royal Proclamation: And We do also release and discharge the said Offenders from all Prosecutions, Imprisonments, and Penalties, commenced or incurred for or by Reason of any such Offence or Offences. And whereas many of the said Deserters have been apprehended at various Times, and committed for safe Custody to the several Gaols or Prisons belonging to the Counties, Towns, or Place, where such Deserters have been found or apprehended, to the End that they might be proceeded against according to Law; the Names of which Deserters have been from Time to Time transmitted to Our Secretary at War for the Time being, pursuant to the Provisions of such Acts of Parliament made for punishing Mutiny and Desertion as aforesaid; We do hereby, by and with the Advice of Our said Privy Council, declare Our farther Pleasure, and do will and require all and every Gaoler and Gaolers, Keeper and Keepers of any Gaol, House of Correction, or Prison, where any such Deserter or Deserters is or are in Custody, to discharge him or them forthwith, without Fee or Reward, upon receiving a Certificate or Certificates, under the Hand of Our Secretary at War for the Time being, that the Name or Names of such Deserter or Deserters do appear to him to have been transmitted to the War Office, pursuant to the Provisions of any of the said Acts: And We do hereby further charge and command every such Gaoler or Keeper, within the Space of Seven Days after receiving any such Certificate as aforesaid, to make a Return to Our Secretary at War for the Time being, of what such Gaoler or Keeper shall have done in pursuance of such Certificate, and of this Our Royal Proclamation. Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall extend to discharge any Person or Persons in Custody for any such Offence of Desertion, who shall have been lawfully committed or detained in the Custody of any such Gaoler or Keeper for any Crime, Cause, or Matter, other than such Offence or Offences of Desertion.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Eleventh Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and eighty three, in the Twenty-third Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

[Price Three-pence Halfpenny.]

Whitehall, June 17.

The King has been pleased to order a Congé d'Elire to pass the Great Seal, empowering the Precentor and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of St. David's to elect a Bishop of that See, the same being void by the Translation of the Right Reverend Father in God John, late Bishop thereof, to the See of Bangor; and His Majesty has also been pleased, by His Royal Sign Manual, to recommend to the said Precentor and Chapter, the Reverend Edward Smallwell, Doctor in Divinity, to be by them elected Bishop of the said See of St. David's.

The King has been pleased to present the Reverend Mr. Thomas Urquhart to the Church and Parish of Roskean in the Presbitery of Tain and County of Ross, vacant by the Death of the Reverend Mr. John Calder:

Also to present the Reverend Mr. Thomas Constable to the United Parishes of Liff, Benvey, Invergourie and Loggie in the Presbitery of Dundee and County of Forfar, vacant by the Resignation of the Reverend Mr. John Playfair;

And the Reverend Mr. James Lapsley to the Church of Campsey in the Presbitery of Glasgow, vacant by the Death of the Reverend Mr. William Bell.

War-Office, June 17, 1783.

1st Regiment of Dragoons, John Thomas Buller, Gent. is appointed to be Cornet, vice George Ramsden.

10th Regiment of Dragoons, Cornet John Kaye to be Lieutenant, vice Henry Stewart.

21st Regiment of Dragoons, John William Lloyd, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Robert Sinclair.

Ditto, George Eastaff, Gent. to be Adjutant, vice Thomas Eastaff.

6th Regiment of Foot, Captain-Lieutenant Thomas Slater to be Captain of a Company, vice James Blathwayte.

Ditto, Lieutenant Henry Williams to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice Thomas Slater.

Ditto, Adjutant William Hague, of the 95th Regiment, to be Quarter-Master, vice — Douglas.

9th Regiment of Foot, John Andrew Baumback to be Ensign, vice Francis Love Beckford.

15th Regiment of Foot, Captain Christopher Machell to be Major, vice Henry Bruen.

Ditto, Lieutenant M. H. Dickens, of the 10th Dragoons, to be Captain of a Company, vice Christopher Machell.

20th Regiment of Foot, Edward Bee Woollams, Gent. to be Ensign, vice John Cooper.

26th Regiment of Foot, John Hodges, Gent. to be Ensign, vice George Berry.

34th Regiment of Foot, Anthony Harvest Isaacson, Gent. to be Ensign, vice George Clerges.

35th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant-Colonel John Shee, of the 50th Regiment, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice James Cockburne.

50th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant-Colonel William Edmeston, of the late 75th Regiment, to be Lieutenant Colonel, vice John Shee.

59th Regiment of Foot, Charles Gauthey, Gent. to be Ensign, vice — Langley.

64th Regiment of Foot, Crosby Gordon, Gent. to be Ensign, vice, S. T. Barret.

William Lambie, Gent. to be Ensign in the Island of Jamaica only.