

By the KING,
A PROCLAMATION
For a Public Thanksgiving for His Majesty's
Recovery.

GEORGE R.

WE, taking into Our most serious Consideration the indispensable Duty which We owe to Almighty God, for the manifold and inestimable Blessings which We have received at His Hands, and desiring to manifest to Our faithful and loving Subjects and to the World, the deep and devout Sense which We entertain of His late Mercies vouchsafed unto Us, by prostrating Ourselves before His Divine Majesty, and offering up, in the most public and solemn Manner, Our Praises and Thanksgivings for that signal Interposition of His good Providence, which hath removed from Us the late Illness with which We have been afflicted, and which hath established and confirmed in Us the surest Trust and Confidence in His Protection, have thought fit, by the Advice of Our Privy Council, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation, hereby appointing and commanding that a General Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for these His Mercies, be observed throughout that Part of Our Kingdom of Great Britain called Scotland, upon Thursday the Twenty-third Day of this Instant April, and We do strictly charge and command that the said Public Thanksgiving be reverently and decently observed by all Our loving Subjects in Scotland, on the said Twenty-third Day of this Instant April, 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 or neglect the Performance of so religious a Duty. Our Will and Pleasure is, therefore and We charge that this Our Proclamation seen, ye forthwith pass to the Market Cross of Edinburgh, and all other Places needful, and there in Our Name and Authority make Publication thereof, 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 Stewalties, and Bailiffs of Regalities, and their Clerks, whom We ordain to see the same published, and We appoint them to send Copies thereof 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 Windsor, the Third Day of April, in the Twenty-ninth Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

Whitehall, April 9.

The King has been pleased to grant to William Beck, of Woodside Place, in the County of Hertford, Esq; and his Issue, His Royal Licence and Authority to assume and take the Surname, and bear the Arms of Church only, pursuant to the last Will of his Uncle and Godfather, John Church, late of Temple Bar, London, Banker, deceased; such Arms being first duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms, and recorded in the Heralds Office; and also to order that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in His College of Arms.

Whitehall, April 9.

THE following Addresses having been delivered or transmitted to the Right Honourable Lord Sydney, His Majesty's Principal Secretary

of State for the Home Department, have been by him presented to the King: Which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lieutenant-Governor, and of the States, of your Majesty's Island of Guernsey, assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lieutenant-Governor and the States of this your Majesty's Island of Guernsey, assembled, humbly beg Leave to approach your Royal Presence, with heartfelt Joy and Exultation, to congratulate your Majesty on those most happy and blessed Dispensations of Divine Providence, which have restored your Majesty to your former State of Health, by which your Majesty is again enabled to take the Reins of Government into your own Hands, for the Prosperity and Happiness of your People.

We, therefore, with the most pious Sentiments, offer, in all Humility, our Thanksgivings to Almighty God, for those His great Mercies to your Kingdoms, in thus replacing all your Majesty's loving Subjects under the Direction and Influence of that Wisdom which gave Energy and Efficacy to the National Councils, the Privation of which has been distressful in every Department of the State, and throughout your Majesty's Realms.

Permit us, most Gracious Sovereign, after having been deeply afflicted in common with our Fellow-Subjects, now to express, with the sincerest Zeal, Duty, and Affection, our fervent Wishes and Prayers, that your Majesty may long live to continue to your People the Blessings of your Majesty's just and beneficent Government.

These are the sincere Wishes and Prayers of,
May it please your Majesty,
Your Majesty's most loyal
And most dutiful Subjects.

[*Delivered by the Rt. Hon. Lord Amberst, Governor.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Sheriff, Nobility, Gentry, Clergy and Freeholders of the County of Stafford.

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, impressed with the highest Gratitude to Divine Providence, and most profound Respect and Affection towards your Majesty's Royal Person, beg Leave most humbly to express our sincerest Congratulations on the happy Recovery of your Majesty's Health.

We feel, most sensibly, the Blessings we experience under your Majesty's wise and gracious Government, and wish most ardently, not only from loyal Attachment to your Majesty, but from Solicitude for the general Prosperity of the Empire, that your Majesty may long enjoy every Felicity, and continue to reign the revered and beloved Sovereign of a grateful and happy People.

Signed in Pursuance of an unanimous Order of a Meeting of the County of Stafford, held on the 28th Day of March, 1789, by

Thomas Fletcher, Sheriff.

[*Delivered by Thomas Fletcher, Esq; Sheriff, and by Earl Gower, one of the Representatives in Parliament for that County.*]