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Whitehall, Nov. 20.

**H**IS Majesty has been pleased to cause His Royal Proclamation to be Issued, For the Apprehending certain Offenders therein named, and for the better Security of His Majesty and His Government, from Dangers arising from Popish Recusants.

CHARLES R.

**T**HE King's Most Excellent Majesty, upon the humble Petition, and at the Desire of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in Parliament Assembled, Doth by this His Royal Proclamation, Straitly Charge and Command George Conniors, Symonds, Charles Wallh, Le Phaire, Prichard, and Bilson, otherwise Becton, (late Servant to the Lady Bellasis) who stand Charged as Persons Guilty of the Damnable and Hellish Plot for the Destruction of the Kings Royal Person, and the Subversion of His Government, and for the Extirpation of the True Protestant Religion Established by Law within this His Kingdom, and are fled from Justice, so that they cannot at present be Apprehended to be proceeded against according to Law, That they and every of them do before the Tenth day of December next ensuing, render themselves respectively to the Lord Chief Justice of the Kings Bench, or to some other of the Justices of the same Court, who are hereby Comanded forthwith to Commit the Person or Persons so rendering him or themselves, to His Majesties Gaol of Newgate, there to remain in safe Custody, in order to their Tryals for the Facts aforesaid: And His Majesty doth hereby give the said Offenders to understand, That if they shall not render themselves as aforesaid, His Majesty hath Comanded that a Bill shall be Presented to His House of Peers, to be Passed into a Law, for Attainting such of them of High Treason, who shall not so render themselves. And His Majesty doth also Charge and Command all and every Lord-Lieutenants, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs, Constables, and other His Majesties Officers, and Loyal Subjects, That they and every of them do use their utmost Endeavor for the Apprehending of the said Persons, and every of them, and for their Imprisonment, and safe Custody in manner aforesaid. And for the greater Encouragement of such as shall Discover and Apprehend any of the said Offenders, His Majesty doth hereby Graciously Promise to any who shall Discover and Apprehend any of the said Offenders, the Reward of One hundred Pounds, which shall be immediately paid to the Person or Persons who shall Discover and Apprehend, or cause to be Apprehended, any of the said Offenders, upon Notice and Proof thereof. And further, His Majesty doth hereby strictly Charge and Command all Constables, Churchwardens, Beadboroughs, Tythingmen, Bors'olders, and other Parish-Officers within this His Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, That they and every of them do with all possible Expedition, make diligent Search and Enquiry in all Houses within their respective Parishes, Hamlets and Villages, and there take an exact Account of the Names and Surnames of all such

Persons as are Popish Recusants, or reputed so to be, as well Householders, as Lodgers and Servants, and every of them, and to make up a present List of the Names, and Surnames, Age and Quality of all such Persons being of the Age of Sixteen Tears or upwards, and forthwith to deliver such List to one of the Justices of the Peace, dwelling in or near adjoining to the Place where such List shall be taken; which said Justice, and such other Justice or Justices of the Peace of the same County, City, Liberty or Place, who shall be made acquainted with such List, are hereby Required to send for the said Persons so Listed, or such of them to whom by Law the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy may be tendered, and to tender to them and every of them the said Oaths, and in case of a Refusal to take the same, to require the said Person so refusing, to enter into a Recognizance with Two or more sufficient Securities, to appear at the next Sessions of the Peace for such County, City, Liberty or Place; and in Default of their Entering into such Recognizance, to Commit them respectively to the Common Gaol, there to remain under safe Custody until the next Quarter-Sessions of the Peace of the said County, City, Liberty or Place where such Persons so refusing are to be proceeded against according to Law; His Majesty hereby giving the said Justices to understand, That the better to Enable them to render the said Oaths, His Majesty hath Comanded respective Commissions to be Issued under the Great Seal of England, Directed to the several Justices of the Peace of such Counties, Cities, Liberties or Places, to Authorize and Require them, or any Two of them, to Administer the said Oaths accordingly.

And moreover, His Majesty doth hereby Straitly Charge and Command all and every the said Lord-Lieutenants, Deputy-Lieutenants, and Justices of the Peace, That they and every of them do within their respective Jurisdictions, proceed without delay to Disarm all such Persons as shall so refuse to take the said Oaths. And for the better Effecting thereof, His Majesty is Graciously pleased to Declare, That if any Person shall Discover any considerable quantity of the Arms of any Popish Recusant, or Person so reputed, he shall have as a Reward for the same, the Sum of Ten Pounds, the same to be paid unto him by the Sheriff of the County or City where the same shall be done; which said Sum shall be allowed unto such Sheriff upon his Account in the Exchequer. And lastly, His Majesty doth hereby further Charge and Command all and every His Officers of or belonging to any of His Sea-Ports, That they and every of them do take special Care, and use their utmost Diligence, for the Apprehending of all Popish Priests, and all other Persons being His Majesties Subjects, whom they shall find any just Cause to suspect to be Popish Recusants, coming into or going out of this Kingdom, and to carry ev'ry such Persons before some Justice of the Peace, who are hereby Required to tender to every of them the said Oaths, and upon Refusal thereof, to Commit the Person so refusing, to the proper Prison of the Place, and so Certifie their Proceedings therein to His Majesty's Privy Council from time to time, that such fur-

which Court may be taken for the Safety of His Majesty, and His Government, as to His Majesties Royal Wisdom shall be thought fit.

Given at the Court at Whitehall, the Seventeenth day of November, In the Thirtieth Year of His Majesties Reign, 1678.

At the Court at Whitehall the 19th of November, 1678.

By the Kings most Excellent Majesty, and the Lords of His Majesties most Honourable Privy Council.

**W**HEREAS His Majesty by His late Royal Proclamation, bearing date the 30th day of October last, did Sealily Charge and Command all Persons, being Popish Recusants, or so reputed, to depart and retire themselves and their Families on or before the 7th day of this instant November, from His Majesties Royal Palaces of Whitehall, Somerset-House, St. James, the Cities of London and Westminster, and from all other Places within Ten-Miles distance of the same; His Majesty, upon further consideration, was Graciously pleased to Declare in Council, That the said Proclamation was not meant to extend to any Merchants Strangers of the Romish Religion, residing in or near this City, upon account of Trade, who in some past have had the freedom of remaining here, So as they give in their Names and Places of Habitation respectively, to the Lords Mayr of the City of London within six days after the date of this Order, Neither any Strangers (other than Popish Priests and Jesuits) who out of curiosity come into this Kingdom as Travellers, so as they give in their Names, together with the Places where they lodge, within six days after the Date of these Presents, or after their Arrival here, to one of His Majesties Principal Secretaries of State: But that such Merchants Strangers and Forrainers, as aforesaid, have the same Liberty of residing at or coming to the Places abovementioned, as if the aforesaid Proclamation had never been issued.

JOHN NICHOLAS.

Whitehall, Nov. 20. His Majesty was pleased this afternoon to order in Council His Royal Proclamation to be Published, For the Discovery and Apprehending all Popish Priests and Jesuits.

CHARLES R.

**W**HEREAS it is most Notorious and Evident, That a great number of Popish Priests and Jesuits are at this time secretly disguised, and lurking within this Realm, where they do not only endeavor to pervert His Majesties Subjects from the True Protestant Religion, to Romish Superstition, but do also contrive, and set on foot divers Treasonous Plots and Designs against His Majesty, His Government, and the Protestant Religion, by Law Established. The Kings most Excellent Majesty (upon the humble Petition of the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeses now in Parliament Assembled) for the better Discovery and Apprehending of such Popish Priests and Jesuits, Doth by this His Royal Proclamation Sealily Charge and Command all his Judges, Justices of the Peace, Magistrates, Officers, and other His Loyall Subjects, within this His Realm of England, Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, That they do use their utmost Care and Endeavor to Discover, Apprehend and Commit, or cause to be Committed to safe Custody, in order to their Tryal, all Popish Priests and Jesuits (except John Huddleston, who was signally Instrumental in His Majesties Escape after the Fight at Worcester, and such Foreign Popish Priests or Jesuits, as by Contract of Marriage are to attend the Person of His Royal Consort the Queen, (the Names of whom shall be signified under Her Great Seal, and such Signification Enroll'd in His Majesties Court of Kings Bench) and except such Foreign Popish Priests and Jesuits, who are by the Law of Nations to attend Foreign Ambassadors) And for the greater Encouragement to such of His Majesties Loyall Subjects, as shall Discover and Apprehend any Popish Priest or Jesuit (except before excepted) His Majesty is hereby Graciously pleased to promise to him or them who shall Discover and Apprehend, or cause to be Apprehended any such Popish Priest or Jesuit, the Reward of Twenty Pounds, which shall be immediately paid upon such Discovery and Apprehension, and due Proof thereof.

Given at Our Court at Whitehall, the 30th day of November, 1678. In the Thirtieth Year of Our Reign.

Vienna, Nov. 10. We have an account of a considerable advantage obtained by General Wurmb against the Hungarian Rebels on the 3d instant near Oldzill; That General Wurmb having endeavoured with his Troops to enter into the Berg Towns, but finding all the passages strongly guarded by the Re-

bels, turned towards Neuhorn, and detached Major General Duenwaldt with 2000 Horse, to possess himself of that place, and followed himself with the rest of his Forces. Major-General Duenwaldt had not marched far, when he discovered a Body of 8000 of the Rebels, whom he attacked, and being presently seconded by General Wurmb, the Rebels, though at first they made a pretty good resistance, were defeated, and put to flight by the Imperialists, who were not above 5000 Men; 800 of the Rebels were slain, 15 Colours and two small Field-pieces taken, and if the night had not put an end to the pursuit, it's thought few of them would have escaped. The Garison of Oldzill seemed at first resolved to defend themselves, and discharged their Cannon upon the Imperialists; but as soon as they understood the defeat of the Rebels, the Governor surrendered the place, being first assured, that no hurt should be done either to him or his Soldiers, who were most of them of the Neighbouring Inhabitants; and accordingly they had all liberty to return home, after having promised never to bear Arms again against the Emperor. In this action there were not above 20 of the Imperialists killed, and of the Rebels 100 common Soldiers, two Lieutenants, and one Ensign, were taken prisoners, who say that this Body that was defeated, was chiefly composed of Germans, Poles, and Cossacks, and that there were very few Hungarians among them. This account was brought to the Emperor by Lieutenant Colonel Samberg, dispatched on purpose by General Wurmb. And since his arrival we have a farther account, that the rest of the Berg Towns are likewise retaken by General Wurmb.

Coningsberg, Nov. 11. The Letters from Courland give us an account, that the Suedes Army having lay'n still two or three days, was again upon its march, and intended to encamp as this day at Rutzow, about seven miles from Memel. Those we receive at the same time from Poland, say, that that King had sent orders to General Paete, not to suffer the Suedish Troops to pass through the Territories of the Crown. Two Regiments, with several pieces of Cannon, have been sent from hence to Memel, to strengthen that place, which, it's believed, the Suedes design to attack.

Brussels, Nov. 22. The Dutch Troops are at length removed from the Spanish Territories, and are marched towards the Mayery of Bolduc; in pursuance of the orders of the States General. From Liege of the 19 they write, that the French continue quartered in that Country, and that they were fortifying several places in the Country of Juliers. The Spanish Ratifications are not yet arrived.

Paris, Nov. 26. From Alsace our Letters of the 20 instant give us an account, that the Duke of Lorraine had been several times to view the new Fortifications which are making at the Fort of Kjel, and that his Highness intended to part the 23 or 24 instant from Offenburg, on his way for Vienna. The 24 instant arrived here the Sieur Boreel, and the Sieur Dickwelt, and yesterday the Sieur Odyke, Ambassadors Extraordinary of the States General of the United Provinces. The Marechal de Crequi is arrived at Court, and hath been very kindly received by the King. The Letters we receive from Hanover assure us, that the Suedes Army, consisting in 15000 men, was marching towards Prussia, and that the Elector of Brandenburg was thereupon sending most of his Forces that way to make head against them.