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By the KING,

A PROCLAMATION,

For giving Currency to a New Coinage of Seven Shilling Gold Pieces.

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS We have thought fit to order, that certain Pieces of Gold Money should be coined, which should be called "Seven Shilling Pieces," each of which should be of the Value of Seven Shillings, and Three of which should be of the Value of One Guinea; and that each Piece should be of the Weight of 1 Pennyweight 19 Grains $\frac{146}{1000}$ Troy Weight, of Standard Gold, being One Third of the Weight of a Guinea; and that Three of such Pieces should be of the Weight of $\frac{5}{8}$ Pennyweights 9 Grains $\frac{438}{1000}$ Troy Weight, of Standard Gold; being the Weight of a Guinea, according to the Weights approved and confirmed by Us in Our Council, in pursuance of an Act made in the Fourteenth Year of Our Reign, intituled, "An Act for regulating and ascertaining the Weights to be made Use of in weighing the Gold and Silver Coin of this Kingdom." And We have further thought fit to order, that every such Piece of Gold Money, so ordered to be coined as aforesaid, should have, on one Side thereof, Our Effigies or Portraiture, with Our Name, and the Words Dei Gratia, and on the Reverse, the Regal Crown of England, with the following Legend, Mag. Bri. Fr. Et Hib. Rex. And whereas Pieces of Gold Money of the above Description have been coined at Our Tower of London, and will be coined there, in pursuance of Orders which we have given for that Purpose, We have therefore, with the Advice of Our Privy Council, thought fit to issue this Our Royal Proclamation; and We do hereby ordain, declare and

command, that the said Pieces of Gold Money so coined and to be coined as aforesaid, shall be current and lawful Money of Our Kingdom of Great Britain, and shall be called Seven Shilling Pieces, and shall pass and be received as current and lawful Money of Our said Kingdom; and every of such Pieces shall pass and be received as of the Value of Seven Shillings of Our lawful Money of Our said Kingdom, and Three of such Pieces shall pass and be received as of the Value of One Guinea of Our lawful Money of Our said Kingdom, in all Payments whatsoever.

Given at Our Court at St. James's the Twentieth Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and nine-seven, in the Thirty-eighth Year of Our Reign.

G O D save the KING.

Admiralty-Office, December 19, 1797.

Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Kingfisher, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels on the Coast of Ireland, to Ewan Nepean, Esq; dated on Board the Penguin, at Cork, the 11th of December, 1797.

SIR,

I Have the Satisfaction to enclose, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Letter to me, from Captain Paullknor, of His Majesty's Ship Diana, giving an Account of his having captured a fast sailing French Corvette, La Mouche, of 18 Guns and 122 Men; fitted out from La Rochelle as a Privateer, with which the Diana arrived here Yesterday.

I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

R. KINGSMILL.