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By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE, R.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fifty-sixth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to provide for a new silver coinage, and to regulate the gold and silver currency of this realm," the Master and Worker of Our Mint in London was authorised and empowered to coin, or cause to be coined, silver bullion into silver coins, consisting of crowns, half crowns, shillings, and sixpences, of the standard of eleven ounces and two penny weights of fine silver, and eighteen penny weights of alloy to the pound troy, and in weight after the rate of sixty-six shillings to the pound troy: and whereas in virtue of the powers so given, a coinage of crowns or five shilling pieces, shillings, sixpences, and other small silver monies, usually denominated Maundy monies, namely, fourpenny, threepenny, twopenny, and penny pieces (in addition to the coinage of the other denominations of silver monies), at the rate of sixty-six shillings to the pound troy, and of the standard fineness above-mentioned; every such crown or five shilling piece having for the obverse impression Our effigy or portraiture, with the inscription "Georgius III. D. G. Britanniar: Rex: F. D." and for the reverse the image of Saint George, sitting on horseback, attacking the Dragon with a sword, having broken his spear in the encounter, and the date of the year, and on the edge of the piece, in raised letters, the words "Decus et tutamen, anno regni," the year of Our reign being in Roman

numeral letters; and every such shilling and sixpenny piece having for the obverse impression Our effigy or portraiture, with the inscription "Georgius III. D. G. Britanniar: Rex: F. D." and for the reverse the ensigns armorial of Our United Kingdom, contained in a shield surmounted by Our Royal Crown, the Rose, Thistle, and Shamrock, being placed round the shield with the word "Anno" and the date of the year, and the edge of the piece being marked with the graining used on the coins of His late Majesty; and every such silver monies usually denominated Maundy monies, namely, the fourpenny, threepenny, twopenny, and penny pieces, having for the obverse impression Our effigy or portraiture, with a similar inscription to the shilling and sixpence, and for the reverse the denomination of the money, encircled by an oak wreath surmounted by the Royal Crown, and having the date of the year; has been delivered from Our Mint to the Bank of England, and will be issued therefrom for the use of Our subjects: We have, therefore, by and 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 silver money shall, from and after the day of the date of this Our Proclamation, be current and lawful money of Our Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and shall pass and be received as current and lawful money of Our said Kingdom, that is to say, such crown pieces as of the value of five shillings, the said shilling pieces as of the value of twelve pence, the said sixpenny pieces as of the value of six pence, and the said Maundy monies, namely, the said fourpenny pieces as of the value of four