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By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION,

For putting in Execution the Law made to prevent the Enlisting or Engagement of His Majesty's Subjects in Foreign Service, and the Fitting out or Equipping, in His Majesty's Dominions, Vessels for warlike Purposes, without His Majesty's Licence.

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WHEREAS hostilities at this time exist between different states and countries in Europe and America, and it is His Majesty's determination to observe the strictest neutrality with respect to the states and countries engaged in such hostilities; and whereas His Majesty has been informed, that attempts have been made to induce His Majesty's subjects to engage in such hostilities, by entering into the military and naval service of some of the said states and countries without His Majesty's leave or licence:

And whereas by an Act, made and passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His late Majesty of Blessed Memory, intituled "An Act to prevent the enlisting or engagement of His Majesty's subjects to serve in foreign service, and the fitting out or equipping, in His Majesty's dominions, vessels for warlike purposes, without His Majesty's licence:"

It is, amongst other things, enacted, "that if any natural born subject of His Majesty, His

heirs, or successors, without the leave or licence of His Majesty, His heirs, or successors, for that purpose first had and obtained under the sign manual of His Majesty, His heirs, or successors, or signified by Order in Council, or by Proclamation of His Majesty, His heirs, or successors, shall take or accept, or shall agree to take or accept any military commission, or shall otherwise enter into the military service as a commissioned or non-commissioned officer, or shall enlist or enter himself to enlist, or shall agree to enlist or to enter himself to serve as a soldier, or to be employed, or shall serve in any warlike or military operation in the service of, or for, or under, or in aid of any foreign prince, state, potentate, colony, province, or part of any province or people, or of any person or persons exercising or assuming to exercise the powers of government, in or over any foreign country, colony, province, or part of any province or people, either as an officer or soldier, or in any other military capacity; or if any natural born subject of His Majesty, shall, without such leave or licence as aforesaid, accept, or agree to take or accept, any commission, warrant, or appointment, as an officer, or shall enlist or enter himself, or shall agree to enlist or enter himself to serve as a sailor or marine, or to be employed or engaged, or shall serve in and on board any ship or vessel of war, or in and on board any ship or vessel used, or fitted out, or equipped, or intended to be used for any warlike purpose in the service of, or for, or under, or in aid of any foreign power, prince, state,