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By the KING, A PROCLAMATION. WILLIAM R.

Whereas by a Statute made in the Twenty seventh Year of the Reign of the late Queen Elizabeth, it is amongst other things, Enacted, That if any of the Subjects of this Kingdom (not being a Jesuit, Seminary Priest, or other such Priest, Deacon, or Religious or Ecclesiastical Person, Ordained or Possessed by any Authority or Jurisdiction, Derived, Challenged, or Pretended from the See of Rome) shall be of, or brought up in any College of Jesuits or Seminary Erected or Ordained in any Parts beyond the Seas, and shall not, within Six Months next after Proclamation in that behalf to be made in the City of London, under the Great Seal of England, return into this Kingdom, and thereupon, within Two Days after such Return, before the Bishop of the Diocese, or Two Justices of the Peace of the County where he shall Arrive, Submit himself to the King's Majesty and His Laws, and take the Oath of Supremacy, That then every such Person (which shall otherwise return, come into, or be in this Realm) for such Offence of Returning or being in this Realm, without Submission, as aforesaid, shall be adjudged a Traitor, and Suffer loss, and Forfeit as in Case of High Treason. And whereas by divers other Statutes of this Realm great Penalties are inflicted, as well upon the Persons Bred up in Foreign Seminaries, as upon their Parents, Guardians and Friends, who shall send them thither, or shall send any Relief or Maintenance to them there. And whereas His Majesty hath been informed, That many of His Subjects of this Kingdom do Live in, and are daily Conveyed into Foreign Seminaries, where they are Brought up, and are Educated in Romish Superstition, to the great Detriment of this Kingdom; His Majesty doth therefore by His Royal Proclamation (with the Advice of His Privy Council) strictly Charge and Command all His Subjects of this Kingdom, who are in Foreign Seminaries, That they do with all speed return into this His Kingdom; and doth likewise Command and Require the respective Parents and Guardians to take the most effectual Care for such their return. And His Majesty doth hereby strictly Prohibit and Forbid all and every his Subjects of this Kingdom whatsoever, for the time to come, from going to, or residing in any of the said Seminaries; and doth likewise Prohibit and Forbid all and every His Subjects to send any Relief or Maintenance to any of His Subjects or others, who now are, or shall hereafter be, or reside in any Foreign Seminary: To all which His Majesty doth expect all due Obedience, letting the Offenders to the contrary know, That they shall not only Incur His high Displeasure, but be proceeded against (for their respective Offences) according to the utmost Severity of Law.

Given at Our Court at Kensington the Eleventh Day of February, 1699. In the Eleventh Year of Our Reign.

Constantinople, Dec. 30. N. S. Signior Lorenzo Soranzo, Ambassador Extraordinary from the Republick of Venice, arrived here the 3d of the last Month, and was received at the Dardanelles by the Captain Bassa with five of the Sultan's Gallies; He has not yet had Audience of the Grand Signior, being desirous to defer it till the arrival of Count Oetting, the Emperor's Ambassador Extraordinary, who, according to our last Advices, came by Water from Belgrade to Russack on the Danube, about 80 leagues distant from this Place, and set out from thence on the 2d Instant to continue his Journey hither by Land. Monsieur de Feriolle, the French Ambassador, arrived the first Instant from Thoulon with two French Men of War, the one of 70, and the other of 60 Guns, and on

the 15th he had Audience of the Grand Visier, Monsieur de Chateaufort, his Predecessor, had at the same time his Audience of Leave. The Grand Signior is at present at Satalgee, a Village about 8 leagues from thence, where he has a Palace, and diverts himself with Hunting.

Rome, Jan. 30. The Pope grows better every day, and not without hopes that he will recover this Fit of Sickness. He gives Audience to his own Ministers, and applies himself to the Dispatch of Publick Affairs, and 'tis said, intends very soon to hold a Consistory, in which he will declare the two Cardinals that are kept in Petto, and perform the Ceremony of Shutting and Opening the Mouths of such of the last made Cardinals as are now here. Cardinal Pamphilio being lately returned from the Port of Anzo, has given the Pope an Account of the condition of the new Works that are making there, which the Pope is very well satisfied with, and has ordered a considerable Sum of Money for finishing the same, and for building a Light-house. The Foreign Ministers do daily make Instances to Cardinal Spada, that they may have Audience of the Pope, but have not yet been able to obtain the same. Count Lamberg, the Emperor's Ambassador, who is newly arrived here, makes the usual Visits to the Cardinals and Foreign Ministers that are in Town. There has been some Dispute between him and the Officers of the Pope's Customs, because his Excellency's Gentleman of the Horse would not suffer them to visit his Baggage; but the Pope has ordered this to be passed over; and he seems to have a great Inclination to accommodate the Differences between him and the Court of Vienna. The Duke d'Uceda, Ambassador from Spain, is daily expected here from Fandi, to which Place he went some days ago to confer with the Vice-Roy of Naples.

Venice, Febr. 5. The Senate have resolved to create three new Procurators of St. Mark; One of them is already named, and the other two places are to be sold for 25000 Ducats each; But this is the last time that this Dignity is to be thus purchased, the Senate having Decreed, that it shall for the future be bestowed only as a Reward for Services done to the Republick; They have taken the same Resolution about making of Noblemen, which Honour was likewise often obtained for Money during the late War. The Princes Alexander and Constantine Sobiesky do now appear in Publick; The Senate has made them a noble Present of Wines and other Refreshments, and they presented the Secretary that brought it with a Gold Chain to the value of 200 Ducats; They intend to stay in this Place till the Carnival is over, and will then go to Rome to make a Visit to the Queen-Dowager of Poland their Mother. The Duke of Mantua sent his Equipage to Mantua some days ago, intending to have returned thither before this time, but is still detained in this City by a Fit of the Gour. The Prince of Anspach, who has been here some days to partake of the Diversions of the Carnival, has likewise sent away his Equipage, and will very speedily return to Germany. The Cardinal Santha Croce arrived here the first Instant from Vienna, where he has resided