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By the King,

A P R O C L A M A T I O N,

For encouraging Seamen to enter themselves on board His Majesty's Ships of War.

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W Hereas it is our Royal Intention to give all due Encouragement to all such Seamen, who shall voluntarily enter themselves in our Service; We have thought fit, by and with the Advice of our Privy Council, to publish this our Royal Proclamation: and we do hereby promise and declare, That all such able Seamen, not above the Age of Fifty two, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, fit for our Service, who shall on or before the Thirty first Day of October next, voluntarily enter themselves to serve in our Royal Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of our Ships, or the chief Officers on board such Tenders, as shall be employed for raising Men for the Service of our Navy, shall receive, as our Royal Bounty, the Sum of Two Guineas each Man; and all such ordinary Seamen, fit for our Service, who shall so enter themselves, as aforesaid, shall receive the Sum of Thirty Shillings each Man, as our Royal Bounty; such respective Sums to be paid them by the respective Clerks of the Check, residing at the Ports or Places where the Ships into which they shall be entered shall be, immediately after the second Muster of such Seamen: And we do hereby further promise and declare, That all such Seamen, who shall so voluntarily enter themselves, as aforesaid, shall be assured of receiving six Months Pay, although there should happen to be no Occasion for their Service so long: And we do declare, That the Qualifications of the Seamen so entering themselves, as aforesaid, shall be certified by the Captain or chief Officer and Boatswain of the Ship or Vessel where they shall enter. And for Prevention of any Abuses by any Persons leaving the Vessels to which they shall belong, and entering themselves on board any other our Ships or Vessels, in order to obtain the said Bounty-Money; we do hereby declare and command, That such Seamen belonging to any of our Ships or Vessels, as shall

absent themselves from any of the said Ships or Vessels to which they shall belong, and shall enter themselves on board any other of our said Ships or Vessels, in order to obtain the said Bounty, shall not only lose the Wages due to them in the Ships or Vessels they shall leave, but also be severely punished according to their Demerits.

Given at our Court at Kensington the
Twenty seventh Day of September,
1739, and in the Thirteenth Year of
our Reign.

God save the King.

Vienna, Sept. 30. Letters which the Imperial Court received from Belgrade the 24th Instant brought an Account, that on the 18th a definitive Treaty of Peace between the Emperour and the Ottoman Porte, was signed by Count Neiperg on the Part of his Imperial Majesty, and by the Grand Vizier on the Part of the Sultan, and by the French Ambassadour on the Part of the most Christian King, as Mediator and Guarantee. The Articles of it are not yet divulged; but it is said, that a Prolongation of nine Months for the Demolition of Belgrade is therein agreed. On the 19th the Grand Vizier (accompanied by the French Ambassadour) marched with the main Body of his Army, on his Return to Constantinople, taking with him the Imperial Hostages, a Colonel, a Major and four Captains, who are supposed to have been given for the Security of the 500 Turks that are to remain in Belgrade till it be entirely demolished. A Treaty of Peace between the Ottoman Porte and the Empress of Russia, was signed the same Day as was the other Treaty, viz. on the 18th, between her Minister in the Turkish Camp, and the Grand Vizier, under the Guaranty of France. The Articles are not yet made publick, but it is rumoured that Asof is to be demolished, and then yielded to the Turks; and that the Russians shall be at Liberty to build Forts in proper Places, to hinder the Junction of the Inhabitants of the two Tartaries, and thereby prevent their making Inroads as formerly into the Russian Dominions. On the 24th and 26th Instant, Orders from the Emperour were dispatched to Field-Mar-
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