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AT the Court at St. James's, the 18th Day of December 1755.

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS by His Majesty's Proclamation, bearing Date the Eleventh Day of November last, "For recalling and prohibiting Seamen from serving Foreign Princes and States; for giving Encouragement to Seamen and Able-bodied Landmen, to enter themselves on Board His Majesty's Ships of War; for granting Rewards for discovering such Seamen as shall conceal themselves; and also for taking up all Straggling Seamen;" His Majesty was graciously pleased to promise and declare, That the Bounties of Three Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years; and also that the Bounty of Thirty Shillings for every Able-bodied Landman, not above the Age of Thirty five, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, should be paid to every such Seaman and Landman respectively, who should, on or before the Thirty first Day of this Instant December, voluntarily enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy, in the Manner directed by the said Proclamation; as likewise that the Rewards of Two Pounds for every Able, and Twenty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, should be paid to any Person who should, on or before the said Thirty first Day of this Instant, discover any Seaman, or Seamen, who should conceal themselves, so that such Seaman, or Seamen, should be taken for His Majesty's Service: And whereas the Time limited for paying the said Bounties and Rewards is now near expiring; and it being judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, that the same should be continued for some longer Time; His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, doth therefore order, and it is hereby accordingly ordered, That the Time limited by the said Proclamation, for Payment of the said Bounties and Rewards, be prolonged and extended from the said Thirty first Day of this Instant December, to the Thirty first Day of January next inclusive. And that

the said respective Bounties and Rewards be continued to be paid by the Persons, and at the Times, directed by His Majesty's aforesaid Proclamation.

*W. Sharpe.*

*Turin, December 6.* Thursday last being St. Barbara, the Queen of Spain's Name Day, the Count de Fuentes, the Spanish Ambassador, gave a grand Entertainment to the Nobility and Foreign Ministers on that Occasion.

*Bern, Dec. 13.* On Tuesday the 9th Instant, between the Hours of Two and Three in the Afternoon, we had here a pretty violent Shock of an Earthquake, which lasted about one Minute. It was more sensibly felt in some Districts of the Town than others, particularly the lower Part, and in those Houses that stand near the River. The Letters that are since come in from the Pays de Vaud, which borders on the Lake of Geneva, from this last City, and from several Parts of Switzerland (Basil in particular) mention this Phenomenon, and take Notice of it, as having been observed pretty near about the same Hour. We do not however hear of its having caused any Damage, either here or elsewhere; but the Consternation is represented as having been general, and greater than can well be expressed, from the Impression still left on most Minds, by the fatal Catastrophe that lately happened at Lisbon.

*Whitehall, December 27.*

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint the following Lord and Gentlemen to be Colonels of the Regiments of Foot to be forthwith raised for His Majesty's Service.

James Abercrombie, Esq;  
 Robert Napier, Esq;  
 Hedworth Lambton, Esq;  
 William Whitmore, Esq;  
 John Campbell, Esq;  
 Charles Perry, Esq;  
 Charles Manners, Esq; commonly called  
 Lord Charles Manners.  
 John Arabin, Esq;  
 Robert Anstruther, Esq; And  
 Charles Montagu, Esq;

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Benner Noel, Esq; to be Lieutenant Colonel to the Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards, commanded by the Right Honourable James