

By the KING.
A P R O C L A M A T I O N,
For a General FAST.

GEORGE R.

WE, taking into Our most serious Consideration the just and necessary War in which We are engaged, for the Maintenance of the Independence of Our Crown, for the Defence and Protection of the Commerce, and of the Rights and Liberties, Civil and Religious, of Our Subjects, and putting Our Trust in Almighty God, That He will graciously bless Our Arms, both by Sea and Land, have resolved, and do, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, hereby command, That a Publick Fast and Humiliation be observed throughout that Part of Our Kingdom of Great Britain called Scotland, on Thursday the Twenty-eighth Day of this instant February; that so both We and Our People may humble Ourselves before Almighty God, in order to obtain Pardon of Our Sins; and may, in the most devout and solemn Manner, send up Our Prayers and Supplications to the Divine Majesty, for averting those heavy Judgements which Our manifold Sins and Provocations have most justly deserved, and imploring His Blessing and Assistance on Our Arms, and for restoring and perpetuating Peace, Safety, and Prosperity, to Us and Our Kingdoms: And We do strictly charge and com-

mand, That the said Publick Fast be reverently and devoutly observed by all Our loving Subjects in Scotland, as they tender the Favour of Almighty God, and would avoid His Wrath and Indignation; and upon Pain of such Punishment as We may justly inflict on all such as contemn and neglect the Performance of so religious and necessary a Duty. Our Will is therefore, and We charge, That this Our Proclamation seen, ye forthwith pass to the Market Cross of Edinburgh, and all other Places needful, and there, in Our Name and Authority, make Publication hereof, that none pretend Ignorance: And Our Will and Pleasure is, That Our Solicitor do cause printed Copies hereof to be sent to the Sheriffs of the several Shires, Stewarts of Stewartries, and Bailiffs of Regalities, and their Clerks, whom We ordain to see the same published; and We appoint them to send Copies hereof to the several Parish Churches within their Bounds, that upon the Lord's Day immediately preceding the Day above-mentioned, the same may be published, and read from the Pulpits, immediately after Divine Service.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the First Day of February, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, in the Thirty-ninth Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, February 14, 1799

THIS Day in pursuance of the King's Pleasure, the following Flag-Officers of His Majesty's Fleet were promoted, viz.

Sir Chaloner Ogle, Knt.
Right Honorable Samuel Viscount Hood,
Sir Richard Hughes, Bart.
John Elliot, Esq.
Right Honorable William Lord Hotham,
Joseph Peyton, Esq.
John Carter Allen, Esq.
Sir Charles Middleton, Bart.
Sir Richard King, Bart.
Philip Affleck, Esq.
Right Honorable John Earl of St. Vincent, Knight of the Bath,
Right Honorable Adam Viscount Duncan,

Admirals of the Blue,

To be Admirals of the White;

Richard Brathwaite, Esq.
Phillips Cosby, Esq.
Samuel Cornish, Esq.
John Brisbane, Esq.
Charles Wolfeley, Esq.
Samuel Granston Goodall, Esq.
His Royal Highness William Henry Duke of Clarence,
Sir Richard Onslow, Bart.
Robert Kingsmill, Esq.
Sir George Bowyer, Bart.
Sir Hyde Parker, Knt.
Benjamin Caldwell, Esq.
Honorable William Cornwallis,

Vice-Admirals of the Red,

To be Admirals of the Blue.

William Allen, Esq.
John Macbride, Esq.
George Vandeput, Esq.
Charles Buckner, Esq.

Vice-Admirals of the White,