

limited for Payment of the said Bounties and Reward be prolonged and extended from the said Twenty-eighth Day of this instant February to the Thirtieth Day of April next inclusive:—Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly. *W. Fawkener.*

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 13th of February, 1799.

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Island of Minorca has been surrendered to His Majesty's Arms, and the Territory and Forts of the same are delivered up to His Majesty, and the said Island is now in His Majesty's Possession: His Majesty is thereupon pleased to order and declare, and it is hereby ordered and declared, that all His loving Subjects may lawfully trade to and from the said Island of Minorca, subject nevertheless to the Duties, Rules, Regulations, Conditions, Restrictions, Penalties, and Forfeitures, required by Law. And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, are to give the necessary Directions herein as to them may respectively appertain. *W. Fawkener.*

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 England, Our Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, on Wednesday the Twenty-seventh 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 command, That the said Publick Fast be reverently and devoutly observed by all Our loving Subjects in England, Our Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, 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. And for the better and more orderly solemnizing the same, We have given Directions to the Most Reverend the Archbishops, and the Right Reverend the Bishops of England, to compose a Form of Prayer suitable to this Occasion, to be used in all Churches, Chapels, and Places of Publick Worship; and to take care the same be timely dispersed throughout their respective Dioceses.

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.

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 command, 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