

every of our natural-born subjects, of what degree or quality soever, not to serve in any such military forces or ships of war as aforesaid, and not to enlist or enter themselves to serve therein, and not to go beyond the Seas, or embark, in order to serve, or with intent to enter, or enlist themselves to serve in such military forces or ships of war: and it is at the same time Our Royal will and pleasure, and We do, by and with the advice aforesaid, hereby also strictly charge and command all and every of Our said subjects not to serve, or enlist, or enter themselves to serve in any of the military forces or ships of war raised or set forth, or to be raised or set forth, by His Catholic Majesty, and not to go beyond the Seas, or embark, in order, or to the intent to serve, or enter, or enlist themselves to serve in such military forces or ships of war; it is nevertheless Our Royal will and pleasure, that nothing herein contained, shall be deemed or taken to prohibit any of Our subjects, who are engaged at the time of the date of this Our Proclamation, in serving in the military forces of His Catholic Majesty, with Our leave or licence, from continuing to serve therein, provided that such Our said subjects do not serve with the military forces of His Catholic Majesty, when employed in Spanish America: and We do hereby, by and with the advice aforesaid, strictly require all Our said subjects duly to conform to Our commands herein contained, under pain of Our highest displeasure, and the utmost forfeitures, penalties, and punishments, to which by law they will otherwise be liable.

Given at Our Court at Brighton, the twenty-seventh day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, in the fifty-eighth year of Our reign.

GOD save the KING.

By His Royal Highness the PRINCE of WALES, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty,

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE, P. R.

WHEREAS We have thought fit to order that certain pieces of gold money should be coined, which should be called "half sovereigns or ten shilling pieces," each of which should be of the value of ten shillings, and that each piece should be of the weight of two pennyweights thirteen grains $\frac{6,370}{10,000}$ troy weight of standard gold, according to the weights approved of and confirmed by Us in Council, in pursuance of an Act made in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for regulating and ascertaining the weights to be made use of in weighing the gold and silver coin of this kingdom;" and We have further thought fit to order that every such piece of gold money, so ordered to be coined as aforesaid, shall have for the obverse impression the head of His Majesty, with the inscription "Georgius III. Dei Gratia:" and

the date of the year; and for the reverse the ensigns armorial of the United Kingdom, contained in a shield, with the inscription "Britanniarum Rex. Fid. Def.:" with a newly invented graining on the edge of the piece: and whereas pieces of gold money of the above description have been coined at His Majesty's Mint, and will be coined there, in pursuance of Orders which We have given for that purpose: We have therefore, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, thought fit to issue this Proclamation; and We do hereby, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, ordain, declare, and command, that the said pieces of gold money so coined, and to be coined as aforesaid, shall be current and lawful money of the kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and shall be called "half sovereigns or ten shilling pieces," and shall pass and be received as current and lawful money of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and every of such pieces, not weighing less than two penny weights, thirteen grains and one quarter, shall pass and be received as of the value of ten shillings of lawful money of Great Britain and Ireland in all payments whatsoever.

Given at the Court at Carlton-House, the tenth day of October one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, in the fifty-seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

GOD save the KING.

By His Royal Highness the PRINCE of WALES, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty,

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE, P. R.

WHEREAS We have taken into consideration the state of the copper coin of this kingdom, and have deemed it expedient, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, that all copper monies of this realm commonly called a halfpenny or a farthing, coined at His Majesty's Mint, and current in His Majesty's dominions, by virtue of any Proclamation prior to the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, should be called in and received.

And whereas in pursuance of an Order in Council, dated the twenty-first of January one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, considerable quantities of the said copper monies before-mentioned, have been received and exchanged at His Majesty's Mint, so that only a small portion of such monies now remain in circulation; We do, therefore, by this Our Royal Proclamation, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, think proper to declare and command, and We do declare and command, that no copper monies whatsoever (other than and except such copper monies as are now current, by virtue of His Majesty's Proclamation bearing date the twenty-sixth day of July 6)