

debted for the preservation of our national independence, amidst the convulsions of Europe; and that through the salutary counsels of a legislature, and the persevering exertions of a people, acting in conformity to these principles, we have, by the especial favour of Heaven, been enabled to bring the late protracted and disastrous war to a glorious termination.

We cannot therefore but deeply lament and deprecate all attempts that may be made to deprive us of the fruits of a triumph so dearly earned, by sowing the seeds of dissention amongst us, and we regard with horror the means that are insidiously taken to sap the foundations of moral and religious obligation; to abuse liberty by perverting the freedom of the press to the purposes of blasphemy and sedition; to alienate the affections of the people from their lawful Sovereign; and to hold up to contempt those who are appointed to act under his authority.

In such proceedings we recognize a spirit dangerous to the best interests of our country, subversive of social order, and directly leading to atheism and anarchy, and in the earnest hope of averting the evils that must inevitably flow from these corrupt sources, we beg leave to assure your Majesty that we will resist and counteract, to the utmost of our power, whatever may have a tendency thus to strike at the root of our establishment, and that we will unite hand and heart in using every effort to support your Majesty's Government, and to secure the public tranquillity.

Given under the common seal of the said Borough, and under the hands of the Inhabitants of the Town and Neighbourhood thereof, the 29th day of November 1820.

[Transmitted by the Bailiff.]

By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE, R.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Tuesday the twenty-third day of January next; We do, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby publish and declare, that the said Parliament shall, on the said twenty-third day of January next, be held and sit for the dispatch of divers urgent and important affairs: And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs of the House of Commons, are hereby required and commanded to give their attendance accordingly, at Westminster, on the said twenty-third day of January next.

Given at Our Court at Carlton-House, the twenty-fourth day of November one thousand eight hundred and twenty, and in the first year of Our reign.

GOD save the KING.

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By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE, R.

WHEREAS His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His late Majesty King George the Third, was pleased, by His Royal Proclamation, bearing date the twentieth day of November one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, to declare His Royal will and pleasure, that the Governors or Deputy Governors of Gibraltar and Malta should be authorised to issue Mediterranean Passes for the protection of ships belonging to His said late Majesty's subjects in those possessions, according to a certain form therein referred to, marked (C), under and subject to certain regulations and sureties therein set forth; and whereas doubts have arisen as to the term during which it was intended that the said Passes should remain in force; We taking the premises into Our Royal consideration, and judging it necessary to remove such doubts, have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, to publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and We do hereby declare, that the Passes to be issued by Our Governors or Deputy Governors of Our said possessions of Gibraltar and Malta for the protection of ships or vessels belonging to Our subjects in Our said possessions, according to the form (C), and under the conditions set forth in the before-mentioned Proclamation of the twentieth of November one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, shall be and continue in force for one year from the day on which the same shall respectively be issued, and no longer; and that at the expiration of that term, the said Passes shall be delivered up to the said Governors or Deputy Governors for the purpose of being cancelled, as required by the said Proclamation of the twentieth of November one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

Given at Our Court at Carlton-House, this twenty-second day of November one thousand eight hundred and twenty, and in the first year of Our reign.

GOD save the KING.

By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE, R.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fifty-sixth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to provide for a new silver coinage, and to regulate the gold and silver currency of this realm," the Master and Worker of Our Mint in London was authorised and empowered to coin, or cause to be coined, silver bullion into silver coins, consisting of crowns, half crowns, shillings, and sixpences, of the standard of eleven ounces and two penny weights of fine silver, and eighteen penny