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BY THE KING, A PROCLAMATION,

Prohibiting His Majesties Subjects to Enter into the Service of Foreign Princes and States.

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W Hereas the King's most Excellent Majesty hath been Advertised, that divers of His Majesties Natural born Subjects, as well Mariners as others, have and daily do depart this Kingdom, and betake themselves to the Service of Foreign Princes and States, without Licence had and obtained in that behalf from His Majesty, in manifest Contempt of His Royal Authority, tending to the Disservice of His Majesty, and Prejudice of His Kingdoms, Dominions and Countries: For Redress whereof for the present, and for the preventing the like Mischief for the future, the King's most Excellent Majesty, by this His Royal Proclamation, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, doth straightly Prohibit and Forbid, all and every Person and Persons, of what Quality, Degree, or Condition soever (being His Majesties Natural born Subjects) from Entering into, or Listing themselves in the Service or Pay of any Foreign Prince or State; And doth hereby straightly Charge and Command them, and every of them, upon their Boudan and Known Duty and Allegiance, That they or any of them do not from henceforth withdraw him or themselves, or depart from this His Majesties Kingdom of England, or any other His Majesties Realms or Dominions, for or in Order to the Entering or Listing him or themselves into Pay, or otherwise betake him or themselves to the Service of any Foreign Prince or State, either by Sea or Land, without due Licence first had and obtained in that behalf: To all which His Majesty will expect, and doth Require due Obedience and Conformity, and doth hereby Publish and Declare, That all Offenders to the contrary shall not only incur His Majesties just Displeasure, but be proceeded against by Seizure of their Goods, Persons and Estates, and otherwise according to the utmost Severity of Law. And further His Majesty doth hereby Authorize and Command all and every His Governors, and other Officers of His Ports, and all and every the Captains, Masters, and other Officers Serving and Employed in any of His Majesties Ships or Vessels at Sea, and all other His Majesties Subjects whatsoever whom it may concern, from time to time to Stop and make Stay of all and every such Person and Persons as shall endeavour to Transport, or to Enter or List him or themselves into the Service of any Foreign Prince or State, by Sea or by Land, contrary to the true intent and meaning of this His Majesties Royal Proclamation, and also to Seize upon, take and bring back, all such Persons aforesaid as shall endeavour or attempt to Transport, or to Enter or List him or themselves in the Service of any Foreign Prince or State as aforesaid, either by Sea or Land, as they His Majesties said Officers, Commanders and Subjects, will answer the contrary at their utmost perils.

Given at Our Court at Whitehall the Second Day of March, 1687. In the Fourth Year of Our Reign.

Barbadoes, Novemb. 27. His Grace the Duke of Armarle arrived here the 25th Instant, where he has been received with great Demonstrations of Respect, as well by the Lieutenant-Governor, as by the Gentlemen, and other Inhabitants of the Island: Yesterday part of the Militia were drawn out, who appeared in a very good Condition; and the Duke will see the rest before he parts from hence, which will be within 4 or 5 days, in order to visit Mezz and the other Islands. Sir John

Narborough, who has been here some time before the Duke, set sail yesterday, to pursue his intended Voyage, with four Ships under his Command; and was followed, the next day by Sir William Phipps, who arrived here but the day before.

Vienna, Febr. 26. The necessary Preparations for the next Campaigne are prosecuted with all imaginable Application; a great part of the Money for the Recruits is already distributed, and Orders are given for the building of great numbers of Ovens in Boats, which they found to great a Conveniency from in the last Summers Expedition down the Danube. It is said the General Rendezvous of the Army will be appointed about the middle of April, the place is not yet named, but it is believed it will be near the Danube, far advanced towards Esseck. It is not doubted but the Princes of the Empire, with whom any Treaties have been begun for their Troops, will send such numbers as are expected from them: The Elector of Saxony hath consented to furnish 2000 Men, in consideration whereof, the Emperor obliges himself to entertain a Regiment of 1500 Men, in constant Pay, under the Command of the Prince Elector. The Prince of Anhalt, whose Son is gratified with General Diependal's Regiment of Foot, offers, besides the 1500 Men before agreed to, for the Recruits of that Regiment, to raise 500 Men more for his Imperial Majesties Service. And to engage the Elector of Brandenburg to supply 3000 of his old Troops, it is proposed to pay him 300000 Rixdollars of what is in arrear upon former Pretensions. The Chancellor to the Elector of Bavaria is come hither to concert some things in relation to that Elector's Troops, part whereof are now quartered in Hungary, and it is variously discoursed, whether his Highness will be in Person in the Field this next Campaigne. On the other side we hear the Turks are also using their Endeavours to provide an Army against Spring; and that their numbers begin to encrease at Belgrade, from whence it is conjectured, that the Disorders are appeased at Constantinople, and the Militia prevailed with to repair to the Frontiers. We have no further account from Alba Regalis since Count Reccardi's going thither; but it seems resolved, that if they do not prevent it by a Capitulation, to take the first opportunity of seasonable Weather, to reduce them by force. Count Jager, Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Serini, is newly arrived here from Transilvania, with the account of General Caraffa's Arrival at Hermannstadt, which he had sent Notice of to Prince Abassi at Fogarasz, his place of Residence, intimating, That the Officers of the Imperial Army, having complained, that their Soldiers had not the full of what was settled by the late Agreement; he desired that the Upper Marshal Tseks should attend him within 14 days, with some other Deputies, who should come instructed and prepared to give him Satisfaction in that Particular, and adjust such things as may create a right Understanding between the Imperialists and Transilvians, which the Prince has signified his readiness to comply with. In the mean time General Caraffa was giving Orders to Colonel Pace to march with 5 Regiments, and a convenient Train of Artillery, into Vuachbia, to oblige that Principality to submit to the Emperor, and to pay Obedience