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By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION,

For the Apprehending all Persons going to or from France, and also for the Taking and Apprehending of all Deserters from Her Majesty's Service in the Army Abroad.

ANNE R.

WHence by an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Our late Royal Brother King William the Third, It is Enacted, That if any of His said Majesties Subjects, who had at any time since the Eleventh Day of December, One thousand six hundred eighty eight, voluntarily gone into France or any of the French Kings Dominions, without Licence from His said late Majesty, or Our late Royal Sister Queen Mary, or at any time, during the late Wars with France, born Arms in the service of the French King, either by Sea or Land, should at any time after the Eleventh Day of January, One thousand six hundred ninety seven, Return into this Kingdom of England, or any other His said late Majesties Dominions, without Licence under the Privy Seal, every Person, so Offending, shall (being Lawfully convicted thereof) be Taken, Detained and Imprisoned to be Guilty of High Treason, and shall suffer and forfeit as in Cases of High Treason.

And whereas We are Informed, That notwithstanding the said Act, and that We are now actually Engaged in War against France, divers of Our Subjects, who by the said Act are Prohibited to Return to any of Our Dominions, without Our Licence under Our Privy Seal first Obtained, do privately Return to this Our Realm, and others of Our Subjects do Endeavour to Transport themselves from this Our Realm into the Dominions of the French King, whereby a Correspondence is and may be Maintained, and Carried on with Our Enemies, to the Prejudice of Us and Our Kingdoms: We have therefore Thought fit, and do hereby, (with the Advice of Our Privy Council) strictly Prohibit and Forbid all and every Person and Person whatsoever, being Our Natural Born Subjects, from returning into Our Dominions contrary to the said Act, and from going to France, or any other the Dominions of the French King, during this present War.

And whereas We are Informed, That divers Soldiers and others, who have received Our Pay, and been actually Employed in Our Service in Our Army abroad, have Deserted from their Duty, and Deserted Our said Service there, and secretly Returned into this Our Kingdom of England, to the Dishonour of their Country, and Our great Displeasure in this time of Publick Danger: We do hereby therefore Charge and Command all, and singular Our Lieutenants, Deputy Lieutenants, Mayors, Sheriffs, Justices, Constables, Headboroughs, and other Our Officers, Ministers and Subjects whatsoever, within this Realm, to make Search for, and use their utmost Endeavours to Discover, Take and Apprehend all, and every Person and Person, Our Natural Born Subjects, who have or shall Return into this Our Kingdom contrary to the said Act, and also who shall voluntarily Go or Embark in any Ship or Vessel, with an intent to go into any of the Dominions of the French King, without Our Royal Licence first Obtained; and also all, and every such Soldier and Soldiers, who having been engaged in Our Service in Our Army abroad, and have Deserted or shall Desert from such Our Service, and shall be found in this Our Kingdom; and such of the Officers as aforesaid, as shall be so Apprehended to carry them to the next or some other Justice of the Peace, where they shall be so Apprehended, who is hereby Required to Commit them to the Common Goal of the County, where they shall be so Apprehended, there to remain until they shall be taken and removed by due course of Law, and forthwith to Cause the Names of the Persons so Apprehended and Committed, with their particular Cases, and by whom Apprehended, to one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, in due Care may be taken for their speedy Prosecution accordingly.

And We do hereby Promise and Declare, That whatsoever shall, during this present War, Discover and Apprehend any Person or Persons, who shall return from France contrary to the said Act, or who shall go to, or Embark in any Ship or Vessel with intent to go to any of the French Kings Dominions, and shall bring such Person and Persons, so Taken and Apprehended before the next, or some other Justice of the Peace, in order to their being Committed and Proceeded against according to Law, shall for every such Person so Taken and Apprehended and brought before such Justice of the Peace or Chief Magistrate, Receive as a Reward the Sum of Forty Pounds of Lawful Money of England, which Our High Treasurer or the Commissioners of Our Treasury for the time being, is and are hereby Directed to Pay according; And for the Doing thereof, this Our Royal Proclamation shall be a sufficient Warrant without any further Direction in that behalf.

And We do hereby further Direct and Require all Our Officers aforesaid, that they do cause every Person coming into this Our Kingdom, from the French or Spanish Dominions, during this present War, to appear before one of Our Justices of the Peace, to be Examined concerning such Persons coming into this Our Realm: And if such Justice of the Peace on such Examination, shall find reasonable Cause to suspect such Persons coming to it with design to Disturb Our Government, or that such Person hath had any Correspondence with Our Enemies, he is hereby Required to take sufficient Security for such Persons appearing in Our Court, called the Queens Bench at Westminster, in the then next Term, and in Default thereof, to Commit such Person to the Common Goal of the County or Place, where he shall be Apprehended, there to remain till Discharged by Due Course of Law, and thereof immediately to give Notice in Writing to one of Our Principal Secretaries of State.

Given at Our Court at St. James's the Eighteenth Day of June, 1702. In the First Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the QUEEN.

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A PROCLAMATION.

ANNE R.

WHence We have been Informed, That notwithstanding the Encouragement given by Our late Royal Brother King William the Third, by His Royal Proclamations Dated the Eighth of January, and Twelfth of February last, for Seamen to Enter themselves on Board His said Majesties Ships of War, divers Seamen and Mariners, for whose Service we have Present Occasion, have lately Left their Usual and Ordinary Places of Abode, and have Removed themselves into Private and Obscure Places in and about Our Cities of London and Westminster, and Borough of Southwark, and Parts Adjacent, and elsewhere, Encouraging thereby to Avoid Our Present Service: We therefore (by the Advice of Our Privy Council) have thought fit to Publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby strictly Charge and Command all Seamen and Mariners, now being and remaining in any County of England or Wales, and not already Listed, or Entered into Our Service, That they forthwith Render themselves into the Principal Officers and Commissioners of our Navy in London, or to the Commissioners of the Navy at such Ports and Places that shall be nearest to the Place where they now are, in Order to their being Received into Pay, and Sent on Board such of Our Ships of War, as shall be found most Expedient for Our Service; And Declare, if any of them shall hereafter be Found out or Discovered to have Neglected to Obey this Our Royal Command, they shall be Proceeded against with all Severity of Law for such their Contempt. And for the Encouragement of all such Seamen, and Able-Bodied Landmen, with greater Alacrity and Cheerfulness to Enter themselves in Our Service, and Remain on Board Our Ships of War in Our Royal Navy, We do hereby Promise and Declare, That if any Seaman, or Able-Bodied Landman (other than such who shall Desert any of Our Ships of War,