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By the QUEEN, A PROCLAMATION,

For Encouraging Seamen and Landmen to Enter themselves on Board Her Majesties Ships of War.

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Whereas it is Our Royal Invention to give all due Encouragement to all such Seamen and Able-Bodied Landmen, who shall voluntarily Enter themselves in Our Service, and Remain on Board Our Ships of War in Our Royal Navy, We have thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, to Publish this Our Royal Proclamation; And We do hereby Promise and Declare, That all such Seamen, and Able-Bodied Landmen (not above the Age of Fifty five Years, and not under the Age of Sixteen Years) who on or before the First Day of February next, shall voluntarily Enter themselves in Our Service, either with the Officers of Our Ships of War, of the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Rates, or of any of Our Fire-Ships, Bomb-Vessels or Tenders, who shall be in Sea-Pay by that time, or with any Justice of the Peace, or Vice-Admiral, to serve on Board any of Our said Ships or Vessels, shall Receive, as Our Free Gift and Royal Bounty, the respective Rewards and Allowances following, (Viz.) Every such Seaman Two Months Pay, to be paid to them respectively by the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Our Navy, before the respective Ships, on which they shall be, do Proceed to Sea. And We do hereby Require and Direct, That if any such Seamen, or Able-Bodied Landman, shall, within the time before mentioned, or within Twelve Days after, Enter himself with any Justice of the Peace, or Vice-Admiral, to serve on Board any of Our said Ships of War, or other Vessels before mentioned, such Justice of the Peace, or Vice-Admiral respectively, shall give to each Man so Entering a Certificate under his Hand and Seal (without Fee or Reward) of his Entry, and the time of such Entry, and for what Ship, and shall thereby limit such a Number of Days as may be Necessary for his Repairing on Board such Ship, or any other Ship, Bomb-Vessel or Tender in Our Service, at the next Port. And We do hereby Declare, That all such Seamen, and Able-Bodied Landmen, who shall, on or before the said First Day of February next ensuing, Enter themselves, as aforesaid, and within the time limited and appointed in such Certificate; Repair on Board any of Our Ships or Tenders, shall be Intituled to Our Royal Bounty herein before appointed, according to their respective Qualifications, and not otherwise; And that they and also such who shall so Enter themselves within Twelve Days after the said First Day of February, shall be allowed Time without Molestation, to render themselves on Board Our Ships of War; And therefore We do hereby Require and Command all Captains Commanding any of Our Ships of War, or other Our Ships or Vessels aforesaid, and all other Persons whatsoever, Authorized or Impowered to Impress Mariners for Our Service, That they do not Impress or Molest any such Seaman or Able-Bodied Landmen, to whom such Certificates, as aforesaid shall be given, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Our Royal Proclamation, or any Men now in Our Service, who by Tickets Signed by any One of Our Flag-Officers, have or shall have Leave to be Absent from their Duty to the First Day of February next, before they shall fail to render themselves on Board such of Our Ships, Vessels or Tenders, on which they shall Enter themselves to serve, or to which they shall belong, according to the Time limited by such their Certificates or Tickets. And to the end We may be truly informed what Persons shall so Enter and Render themselves to serve on Board Our Fleet in pursuance of this Our Proclamation, We do hereby Require and Command Our re-

spective Captains Commanding any of Our said Ships of War, or other Our Ships or Vessels aforesaid, and also all Justices of the Peace and Vice-Admirals within this Realm respectively, to transmit to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Our Navy exact Lists and Accounts of the Names, Ages and Descriptions of the Persons who shall voluntarily Enter themselves with them, and the Time when, and Place where, and for what Ship, and of the Time which shall be allowed them respectively for Rendering themselves on Board, and of the Times of their respective Repairing on Board any of Our said Ships. And We do hereby Command and Require the said Seamen and Landmen to repair on Board the respective Ships on which they shall so Enter themselves, or to which they shall belong, within the Time limited by such Certificates or Tickets, on pain of Our highest Displeasure. And We are also graciously pleased to Declare, That Conduct-Money, according to the Practice of the Navy, shall be allowed to all such Seamen and Landmen, so voluntarily Entering and Rendering themselves on Board, according to the true meaning of this Our Royal Proclamation. And for Prevention of any Deceits or Abuses which may happen by any Person or Persons Leaving the Ships to which they belong, and Entering him or themselves on Board any other of Our Ships, as aforesaid, in order to the Obtaining the Bounty-Money therein before Granted, We do hereby likewise Direct, Declare, and Command, That such Seamen and Landmen belonging to any of Our Ships or Vessels whatsoever, as shall absent themselves from any of the Ships or Vessels to which they shall belong, and shall Enter themselves on Board any other of Our Ships, in order to the Obtaining the said Bounty-Money, shall not only lose the Wages due to them in the Ship which they shall so leave, but also be severely punished according to their Demerits. And We do hereby further Declare, That if such Men in Our Service, who are or shall be permitted to be Absent by such Tickets, as aforesaid, do not repair on Board their respective Ships by the time allowed by such Tickets, they shall not only be liable to be Impressed, but to suffer such further Punishment as by Law may be inflicted on them for such their Neglect. And We do hereby also strictly Charge and Command all the Captains and Officers of Our Ships, and others, who shall be Employed in the Impressing of Men for Our Fleet, that they take particular Care not to Impress or Entertain any Persons whatsoever, who shall not be truly Qualified to serve in Our Royal Navy. And whereas it has been often found, that in time of War, great Numbers of Seamen have left the usual Places of their Abode, and have removed themselves into Private and Obscure Places, endeavouring thereby to avoid the Publick Service when there is the greatest Occasion for them, We do hereby therefore Require and Command all Our Justices of the Peace, Constables and other Officers, that they not only give all necessary Assistance to Our Officers Employed in Pressing as aforesaid; But that they do use their utmost Endeavours to Discover, Secure and Send to some Sea-Port Town all such Seamen as shall so Abscond, after the said First Day of February next, in order to their being put on Board Our Fleet, in Ours and their Countreys Service, and that of what they shall so herein, they from time to time send an Account to the Commissioners of Our Navy.

Given at Our Court at St. James's the One and Thirtieth Day of December, 1702. In the First Year of Our Reign.

G O D Save the Q U E E N.

Venice, Dec. 29. N. S. An Express arrived this week from Verona, with Letters from General Malino, giving an Account, That the French had taken Governoro from the Imperialists, with the Loss, as it is said, of 2500 Men, in which number are reckoned 200 Officers. The Germans are now taking all possible care to secure the Post of Oglia on the Po. The River Secchia has late-

ly occasioned its Banks, and done much Damage to the neighbouring Country, especially about *Mirandola*, one of the Towns where the *German Forces* are quartered. Cardinal *Grimani* is come from *Rome* to *Verona*; in his way to *Vignas*. We have an Account from *Naples* of the Death of Cardinal *Gambelini*; whereby that Archbishoprick and an Eleventh Place in the College of Cardinals are become vacant. Cardinal *Medicis* is declared Protector of the Affairs of *France* at the Court of *Rome*.

Vienna, Dec. 30. This Court continues to make Preparations against the Elector of *Bavaria*. Count *Solari* is gone to *Saltzbourg*, to treat with the Archbishop of that Place for some Troops which are to be employed against that Elector. The Count de la *Tour*, who, upon that Prince's seizing of *Ulm*, quitted his Service, and came over to the Emperor, was declared yesterday Lieutenant-Field-Marshal, and Governor of *Constance*, in the room of the Count of *Furstenberg*, who was killed in the last Campaign at the Battle of *Fridlingen*; He has also the Promise of the first Regiment of Horse or Dragoons that shall become vacant, and in the mean time is to receive the Pay of Governor, Lieutenant-General, and Colonel. The Duke of *Lorraine* has represented to this Court the Oppression he lies under from *France*, which has lately seized his Duchy, contrary to the Treaty lately concluded for its enjoying a Neutrality: The Bishop of *Osnabrug*, his Brother, will be here by the 5th of January next. Prince *Eugene* is also shortly expected from *Italy*.

Colmetz, Jan. 6. The Prince of *Hesse-Cassel* and the other General Officers here continue their Contentions, and it is said they have resolved to content themselves with blockading up the Castle of *Traerbach* for the present, and to deter the Siege for a more proper Season: About 1000 French Soldiers have got into that Place, being brought down the *Moselle* in 7 large Boats, notwithstanding the Fire of our Forces and those of *Hesse*, which are in *Garillon* at *Berncastel* and *Kroer*. We hear the French are drawing together a Body of 6000 Men on the *Maest*, to guard a great Convoy of Provisions which is to be carried to *Bon*. Several Troops of *Hussars* have been to view the Country along the *River Saar*, and another Body of them is entered into the *Dutchy of Luxembourgh*, which has put the Inhabitants of that Country into a great Consternation.

Frankfort, Jan. 7. The new Levies made here for recruiting and augmenting the Forces of this City will be completed in a short time, and then others will be begun for the Service of the Emperor, and some other Princes. Several Deputies are arrived here from the several Princes and Towns of the Circle of the Upper Rhine, in order to be present at the Diet of the States of that Circle, which will be begun here next week. The Elector Palatine's Forces have taken *Poff* at *Hombourg*, *Bilwetter*, and *St. Vendel*, which proves of great use for preventing the Excursions of the Enemy's Parties on that side. The French have put a strong Garrison into *Saar Louis*, and are getting together there a good quantity of Provisions. Preparations are made for the Siege of *Traerbach*, a very fine Train of Artillery, and a great quantity of Ammunition, being got ready at *Rhinfelds* for that purpose; but the great Rains we have lately had have put a stop to all manner of Action. The French threaten to make another Attempt upon the Castle of *Heitersheim* as soon as the Weather permits.

Cologne, Jan. 9. The States of this Archbishoprick are separated. They have resolved that the Publick Revenues should be applied towards carrying on the War, and have granted some Subsidies besides for the same Service, which altogether will amount to 150000 Crowns. A Diet of the States of the Country of *Saurland* is shortly to be held at *Aiensberg*, and the Chapter here is to send two Deputies to assist at that Assembly. The Emperor's Mandates and Avocators against the Elector of *Cologne* have lately been published in those parts. The French Garrison at *Rhinberg* is very much strengthened by the Forces of the Allies which are quartered in the Neighbourhood of that Place. The French work with great diligence on the Fortifications of *Bon*, and are providing that Place with a good quantity of Provisions and Ammunition, and other Necessaries for its Defence.

Paris, Jan. 8. The French King has given out Commissions for raising 100 Regiments of Foot, which will amount in the whole to 60000 Men. The Colonels of most of these Regiments have undertaken to raise them without putting the King to any Expence, and in order thereto have preferred to be Captains under such any Persons that will be at the Charge of raising their own Companies. Commissions are also given out for raising 8 Regiments of Dragoons. Taxes are

laid upon all Publick Offices, even those which were sold at a very dear rate but the last year, a great value being put upon them till now, because hitherto those who enjoy'd them were exempted from such Exactions. This occasion'd a great deal of murmuring; And the Practice of pressing Men into the King's Service causes many of the Country People to leave their Habitations. *Hague, Jan. 12. N. S.* The States General have sent Proposals to the several Provinces, for the hiring of such a number of Foreign Troops as they judge necessary to be added to the Forces which they have already on foot, to the end the great Advantages which were gained in the Netherlands by the Confederate Forces the last Campaign may be maintained, notwithstanding the great Additions which the French intend to make to their Forces on that side next Summer. Upon the Memorials lately presented to the States by the Envoys from the Emperor and Her Majesty of Great Britain, pressing them effectually to forbid all Trade with *France*, they have earnestly recommended that Matter to the States of the several Provinces, wherof most are said to have already given their Consent to such a Prohibition. The Government of *Boiledue* is not yet disposed of; the Competition is only between the Earl of *Arthlone* and *Monsieur d'Obdam*; *Monsieur d'Auverquerque*, who was also in Nomination, having desisted.

St. James's, Jan. 4. Her Majesty has been pleas'd to contribute the Rt. Hon. *John Howe* Esq; Receiver and Paymaster General of the Guards and Garisons, and of *Coelstee* Hospital, in the Place of the Rt. Hon. *Richard* Earl of *Kanelago*.

St. James's, Jan. 5. A very Dutiful and Loyal Address from the Council and Assembly of Her Majesty's Island of *Jamaica*, was presented to Her Majesty by *Sir Gilbert Heathcote* and *Sir Bartholomew Gracedieu*; introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Nottingham*, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State.

Whereas Her Majesty hath been pleas'd to Order, That all Her Majesty's Ships, which have been in Sea Pay this year, shall be paid to the First of July last; His Royal Highness, Lord High Admiral, does hereby require all such Seamen belonging to the said Ships, that are now in Town, or otherwise absent from their Duty, to repair forthwith on board the Ships whereunto they do respectively belong; for that otherwise they will either be made Run, or stay for the Recalls of the said Ships, before they receive their Wages.

Advertisements.

There is newly published, *The Truth of the Christian Religion*. Written Originally in Italian, for the benefit of the Court of *Savoy*, by the Marquis of *Pianezze*, which is prefixed, an Account of the Author, of his Treatise, and the Translation of it: With Occasional Remarks upon some Particulars in the Original. Dedicated to the Lord Bishop of *Exon*. By Tho. Wife, M. A. Fellow of *Exeter College* in *Oxford*. Printed for D. Brown without *Temple-bar*, and J. Taylor in *St. Paul's Church-yard*.

There is newly published, *The Twin Rivals*: A Comedy. As it is Acted at the Theatre-Royal. By Her Majesty's Servants. Printed for B. Lintott at the Middle-Temple Gate in *Fleet-street*. Price 1 s. 6 d.

There is newly published, *The Prints of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, London*, on Four Sheets of Imperial Paper, shewing at three Views the *Ichnography*, or Ground Plan, the *Semiography*, or Upright; that is, the West End, or Front, the East end and South side, which make an entire and complete Model of the outside. Examined and Revised by some of the best Architects, and approved of by other Ingenious Persons; and if they meet with due Encouragement, the Author (*William Emmer*) designs to proceed to show the inside, both in straight Lines and Prospective. Sold by *Tho. Bowles* in *St. Paul's Church-yard*.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt against *Samuel Sheppard*, late of *Biccles* in *Suffolk*, Grocer, intend to sit on Monday the 25th Instant, at *Martin Dade's House* in *Becks* aforesaid, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; And all Creditors concerned are then and there to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution-money, or they'll be excluded the said Dividend.

On the 30th past, about 6 in the evening, from before a Coach-box, between *Cornhill* and *Smith-street* in *Westminster*, a Deal-Box, containing lac'd Head-cloaths, Night-cloaths, and other Linnen Apparel. Whoever brings or gives notice of them to *Mr. William Griffith*, Merchant, in *Smith-street* aforesaid, shall have a *Guinea* Reward.