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By the Q U E E N,  
A P R O C L A M A T I O N,  
For a General F A S T.

A N N E R.

**W**hereas by the Late most Terrible and Dreadful Storms of Wind, with which it Pleased Almighty God to afflict the greatest Part of this Our Kingdom on Friday and Saturday the Twenty sixth and Twenty seventh Days of November last, some of Our Ships of War, and many Ships of Our loving Subjects, have been Destroyed and Lost at Sea, and great Numbers of Our Subjects serving on Board the same have Perished; and many Houses and other Buildings of Our good Subjects have been either wholly thrown down and demolished, or very much Damnified and Defaced, and thereby several Persons have been Killed; and many Stacks of Corn and Hay thrown down and Scattered abroad, to the great Damage and Impoverishment of many others, especially the Poorer Sort; and great Numbers of Timber and other Trees have by the said Storms been torn up by the Roots, in many Parts of this Our Kingdom; A Calamity of this Sort so Dreadful and Astonishing, that the like hath not been Seen or felt, in the Memory of any Person living in this Our Kingdom, and which Loudly Calls for the deepest and most Solemn Humiliation of Us and Our People: Therefore out of a Deep and Pious Sense of what We and all Our People have suffered by the said Dreadful Winds, and Storms (which We most Humbly Acknowledge to be a Token of the Divine displeasure, and that it was the infinite Mercy of God that We and Our People were not thereby wholly Destroyed) and Putting Our Trust in Almighty God, that upon Our Humiliation and Repentance, He will be Gracious to Us and Our Kingdoms, and will yet Vouchsafe a Special Blessing to Us and Our People in the just War wherein We are Engaged: We have Relisted and (by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council) do hereby Command, That a General and Publick Fast be Observed throughout this Kingdom, in such Manner as is herein after Directed and Prescribed, that so both We and Our People may humble our Selves before Almighty God, and may in most devout and solemn Manner send up Our Prayers and Supplications to the Divine Majesty, to implore his Blessing and Favour, and the Continuance of His Mercy and the Protestant Religion to Us and Our posterity; And that it would please him to pardon the crying Sins of this Nation, which have drawn down this sad and Heavy Judgment on Us and Our People; And to avert all those Judgments which Our manifold Sins and Provocations have most justly deserved; And to obtain the Blessing and Assistance of Almighty God on the Forces of Us and Our Allies, both by Sea and Land; And for Restoring and Perpetuating Peace, Safety and Prosperity to Our Kingdoms and Dominions, and the Nations and States in Alliance with Us. And to the End that so Religious an Exercise may be Observed as one and the same time, We do hereby Publish and Declare to all Our loving Subjects, and do strictly Charge and Command, That on Wednesday being the Nineteenth Day of January next, this Fast shall be Religiously Kept and Observed, throughout Our Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed. And for the more Religious and Orderly Solemnizing the same, We have given Directions to the Arch-Bishops and Bishops of this Our Kingdom, to Compose a Form of Prayer suitable to this Occasion, to be Used in all Churches and Chapels, and other Places of Publick Worship, and to take Care for the timely Dispersing thereof through their respective Dioceses, and We do strictly Charge and Command, That the said Fast be Religiously and Decently Observed and Performed by all Our loving Subjects, as they tender the Favour of Almighty God, and would avoid his Wrath and Iniquitation, and upon Pain of such Punishment as We may justly Inflict on all such as shall Contemn or Neglect the Performance of so Religious and Necessary a Duty.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Twelfth Day of December, 1703; In the Second Year of Our Reign.

G O D Save the Q U E E N.

**C**onstantinople, Octob. 19. N.S. The Men of War belonging to this Government are returned from the Black Sea, but are put into a Bay of the Bosphorus, and will not come into Port till the Money be ready for paying off the Seamen, which will be in few days. The Captain Bashaw remains with the Turkish Gallies about the Straights of Crimea, where they have begun several Forts, with a Design to make themselves Masters of that Passage, and to hinder the Muscovites from coming down with their Fleet into the Black Sea; to which end they have also sunk several Vessels, filled with Stones, in the Channel: But it is thought by some who have seen these Works that all this is done to very little purpose, the Passage being too wide to be commanded by their Castles, and the Current so strong, that it carries away all that is sunk in it, and will not suffer the Sands to gather there. The Muscovites gave them no Disturbance, but came and viewed their Works, and had a free Entercourse with them. This Government is providing Money to pay off the Soldiery, towards which 500 Purses of Money have been exacted from the Vassal wode of Wallachia, who, upon Payment thereof, has been confirmed, by the Grand Signior. The English Merchant Ships bound to Smirna arrived there the 2d Instant, under Convoy of the Lenox and Dover Men of War.

Lisbon, Dec. 5. N.S. The Spanish Envoy, who lately resided here, arrived at Elvas, the 28th of the last Month, and is to continue there till the King of Portugal's Envoy comes to Badajos, which we suppose will be to day or tomorrow, after which they are to be exchanged on the Frontier. When the Spanish Envoy left this Court, he dispatched an Express to the Duke of Anjou to acquaint him with it; and the King of Portugal sent another to his Envoy at Madrid, with Orders to come away immediately, without taking Leave, otherwise than in writing: This last Express arrived at Madrid some hours before the other, and a Report being industriously spread abroad, that the Spanish Envoy had been killed, or was detained here, two Alcaldes de Corte, with a numerous Train of Alguaziles, were sent to surround the Portuguese Envoy's House, and to take care that no body should go in or out without being examined; which Commission they executed with great Rudeness and Disrespect, as well to his Person as his Character; But upon the Arrival of the other Express, that Court finding in how different a manner their Envoy here had been treated, to whom all the Kindness and Favour had been shewn which he could expect, they ordered the Alcaldes and Alguaziles to leave the Envoy's House, and write a Letter to him to excuse it. The King of Portugal resents this Proceeding very much. Every thing is in a readiness for the King of Spain's Reception, and the Forces on the Frontiers are in a Posture to oppose any Attempt the Spaniards might make before his Arrival. The Spanish Soldiers on the Frontiers desert daily in great numbers, and enter themselves into this King's Service. On the first of this Month two Brigadiers-General of Horse, two Ail de Camps, with a Captain of Horse, and several others, to the number of 21, got away from Badajos to Olivencia: They are since come to Town, and lodge at the Admirante of Cdstle's; and in all probability they will soon be followed by many others.

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**London**, Nov. 24. N. S. Yesterday Monsieur J. Jen, Son to the President of Alton, went hence for Wimburgh, being appointed to reside there on the part of this Crown, in the rooms of the late Mr. Musgrave, Captain Star, an Engineer, went this week for Norway, That a Fire has lately happened at Fredericksburg, which has reduced the greatest part of that Town to Ashes. Letters from Schon give an Account, That 9 Men of War, and 11 Transport Ships, are lately sailed thence for the Baltic, eight ready being despatched, as is thought, to fetch home part of the Cannon, and other Spoils taken by the Swedes from the Poles and Saxons.

Dec. 1. The Alliance-Packet-Boat came in here yesterday with the Mail from Lisbon of the 24th last. They fel nothing in their Passage of the violent Tempest they had here on the 26th. The 6th Instant, being the day before their Arrival, about 5 in the evening, they met with a French Privateer of above 40 Guns, who attacked them, and shewed fought several hours, after which the Privateer left them. In this Engagement, one Captain and a Passenger, and one of the Packet-Boats, and one of the Seamen, were killed, and another Passenger, and one of the Ships Crews were wounded; by this day the Goldsmiths, and Privateers of Blushing, obligeing this Island and French Private in Belfast, belonging to Grangier. Just now is come in, a Ship of about 100 Tuns taken by Her Majesty's Ships the D'Orsay and the Suffren the 13th of this last Month, out of the Port of Santa Cruz, in the Islands of Teneriff, and laden with Canary-Wine and Logwood. They took 4 Ships more near that Island, two of which they burnt, and carried the other two with them, being bound for Guinea.

Dec. 1. Plymouth Decided. The Richard Galley of London, Richard Hope Master, arrived here the 8th Instant from Barbary, but left from the Andores. The Charles of Jersey, Lazarus Deane Master, came into here the 10th. Yesterday the Lamb and the Wappingburgh, two Dutch Privateers, sailed Berwick for Zealand, and the Saucy Peter, Adair Master, belonging to this Port, arrived here from Shetland. Dec. 13. The 1st January of Padua, and the Lews and Brigantine of London, failed from hence the 11th Instant, being both laden with Fish for Fugorne. Yesterday sailed hence Her Majesty's Ships the Dartmouth, Warwick, Epsom, Falmouth, and Deal Castle, with 3 or 4 of the homeward-bound Dutch Fleet, for the River Thames. The 14th instant, at 10.30 A.M. was received a Letter from the Admiralty-Office, Dec. 13. in 703.

THIS Royal Charter Prince George of Denmark, &c. Lord High Admiral of England, &c. has ordered the Companies of Her Majesty's Ships which were cast away in the late violent Storm, to begin to be paid this day Month. And Notice will be given in the Gazette, of the sume when each particular Ship will be paid.

Whereas Her Majesty has been Gracious pleased to grant a Brief for a Collection towards the Relief of the poor Subjects by the late dreadful Fire at Exeter-Door in Wapping, where London, (most of whom are Seamen, Sailors, Fishers, and poor Seamen Widows, whose Loss amounts to £500.) And the Commissioners and Trustees therein appointed having taken effectual Care that the Money arising upon the said Collection shall be truly apply'd according to the intent of the said Brief. These are therfore to desire all those to whom the printed Brief shall be directed, (the next or the second Lord's Day in particular,) after the receipt thereof, publicly to rec't, or cause the same to be read, in their respective Churches, Chapels, and other Places of Divinity or worship, to make their Collection at such times and places, and in such manner, as by the Brief are directed, and to promote the said Collection to the utmost of their Power, in regard so many poor Families are by the aforesaid Loss reduced to very pressing and necessitous Conditions.

**Advertisements.**  
Lost or mislaid, 102 Blank Million-Lottery Tickets, No. 57496, 57500, and 57601, to 5771 Payable yearly at Greenwich, for the years 1790, 1791, 1792, 1793, &c. Whoever gives notice of the same to the Million-Lottery Office in the Exchequer, Westminster, that they may be received by the right Owner, shall be well Reward'd, the same being of no Value to any but the Proprietor, who hath created a Cavalet against Payment of the same at the Exchequer.

Whereas William Ammon, late of the City, in the Parish of St. Paul's, Esq; is dead intestate, and Administration of his Goods is granted to Sir Thomas Welham, of the Privy-Council, London, in Trust for his Sons, Grahams, (being his next of Kin;) And the said Deceased left behind him at his Death a considerable Personal Estate in Moneys, Jewels, ready Money, Gold and Silver Plate, Bank Bills, and Goldsmiths Notes, and particularly two Bank sealed Bills, No. 11951, and 11956, dated Aug. 27. 1703, for 100l. each: Also two Bank Notes payable to the said William Ammon, No. 1126, 127, dated Aug. 28. 1703, for 100l. each; most of which Personal Estate is yet undiscovered. Now the said Thomas Welham doth hereby promise a Reward of 10l. per Cent. for all such Sum of Money, Bank Bills, Notes, &c. that shall be discovered to him, to be paid unto such Person or Persons upon his receiving the same, and so pro rata for any lesser Sum than aforesaid.

At the Black-Snapper's-Head in Shadwell-street, Covent-Garden, London, is to be advised withal, from 8 in the Morning till Two in the Afternoon, Mr. WILLIAM READ, the most Approved Occultist, after 30 years Practice and Experience, both abroad and at home, as is manifest by his daily Performances on Persons of Quality and others, in the difficult Discrepancy relating to the Spicks, &c. tampered withal by Women, and such like Pretenders to that Art. He does not chuse fit to give any other Recommendation in this Advertisement, but what evidently appears by his great Success, not only by Coupling of Cataracts, but for Clouds, Specks, Unguis, Albugo, Definitions of Honors, or Fictitious Lacrimals: Of which he cures the Poor gratis.

There is now published, An Account of the Sufferings and Death of the Faithful Confessor and Martyr, M. Etienne, an Advocate of Parliament, who, after 17 years Imprisonment, and a Slave to the French King's Gallies. Together with a particular Relation of the Condition of the other miserable Protestant Prisoners there. Extracted out of his own and other Confessors Letters, and Authentick Manuscripts. Done into English from the French printed for T. Bembridge at the Half-Moon in St. Paul's Church-yard.

A Sermon upon the late Dreadful Storm. Preached in the Parish-Church of St. Andrew's Holborn, Nov. 28. 1703, by Thomas Birmingham, D.D. Rector of St. Andrew's Holborn, and Chaplain in Ordinary to Her Majesty. Publish'd at the Request of the Inhabitants. Printed for Jacob Tonson, within Gray's-Inn-Gate, next Gray's-Inn-Lane.

Off the Fish-Wharf, an Oval Steel Tobacco-Box, in which are Carried 3 small Diamonds, about 50 in each Carrat, a fine Diamond, weighing 3 Grains and a half, uncut, with an old Ring belonging to it, and 8 Garnets, half uncut, not cut, and 7 Rubies. If offered to Sale, w<sup>t</sup> otherwise, you are desired to stop them, and whoever brings the Box and Things to Mr. Kidd's Coffee-house, in Cheyne-Street in the Strand, shall have two Guineas Reward.

Whereas the fo' much famed Strops, made up of four setting Stones, &c. instead of Hones, have been sold in the same time, at Jacob's Coffee-house in Threadneedle-Street. Therefore to give Notice, That the Author of the said Strops has removed to Ipho's Coffee house in Swithin's-Alley, near the Royal Exchange. Price 1s. each, ready fix'd on-boards, with Directions.

ALL Persons having any small young Spier Elm Timber to dispose of, let them bring for Pipes for conveying Water, if they please to deliver them to Mr. Opie, in Writing to the Managers of the London-Bridge Water-works, any Wednesday Morning, at Mr. Opie's in New-Bridge-Lane, or to Mr. Hewitt at their Work-yard, or Burton's Wharf over-against Whitehall, the said Yerlons will be ready to treat w<sup>t</sup> them for the same.

A Commission of Bankrupt against Edward Sanderson, of the Parish of St. Olave in Southwark, in Surry, Merchant, All Persons that owe him any Money, or that have any Gold or other Effects of his in their hands, are not to pay or deliver same to any Person, but such only as the Commissioners shall appoint, and they are desired forthwith to give notice thereof to Mr. George Worley, (one of the Commissioners) at the Bridge-house in Southwark, or the same need. And the said Edward Sanderson having irreparably ruined himself and other Effects, from his late Drunkenness, & wheresoever shall discover the same, or any part thereof, to John Crocker, of the Old-Bailey, or St. Olave's in Southwark, Lawyer, shall have 10 per Cent. for what shall be recovered by such Person, and proportionable for every bigger or lesser sum.

T. H. Commissioneer in a received Commission of Bankrupt against Peter Crooke, late of the Town of Hertford, Merchant, to meet at the Angel Inn, in Hertford on Monday the 10th of January next, at 9 in the forenoon, to make a Dividend of the said Creditors Estate.

T. H. Commissioneer in a Commission of Bankrupt against Wm. Lane, late of Miles Lane, London, Tailor, intend to meet Wednesday the 11th of March next, at John's Coffee-house in Bishopsgate-Street, London, to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate, & which all Creditors concerned are desired to take Notice. T. H. Commissioneer in a Commission of Bankrupt against Wm. Lane, late of London, Dry-Salter, intend to meet Wednesday the 11th of January next, at 9 in the forenoon, in the Chamber in Goldsmiths, London, to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate, & all Creditors concerned are desired to take Notice, and thereto prepared to prove their Debts, and pay the said Commissioneer money, & they'll be excluded the said Dividend.