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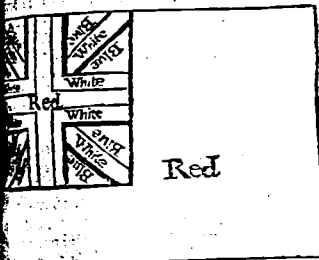
By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION,

Declaring what Ensign or Colours shall be Born at Sea in Merchant Ships or Vessels belonging to any of Her Majesty's Subjects of Great Britain, and the Dominions thereunto belonging.

ANNE R.

Whereas by the First Article of the Treaty of Union, as the same hath been Ratified and Approved by several Acts of Parliament, the One made in Our Parliament of England, and the other in our Parliament of Scotland, It is Provided and agreed, That the Ensigns Armorial of Our Kingdom of Great Britain be such as we should appoint, and the Crosses of St. George and Saint Andrew Conjoynd in such manner as We should think fit, and used in all Flags, Banners, Standards, and Ensigns, both at Sea and Land; We have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of our Privy Council, to Order and Appoint the Ensign Described on the Side or Margent hereof, to be Worn on Board all Ships or Vessels belonging to any of our Subjects whatsoever, and to Issue this Our Royal Proclamation to Notify the same to all Our Loving Subjects, hereby strictly Charging and Commanding the Masters of all Merchant Ships and Vessels belonging to any of Our Subjects, whether Employed in Our Service



and all other Persons whom it may concern, to Wear the said Ensign on Board their Ships or Vessels. And whereas divers of our Subjects have Presumed on Board their Ships to Wear Our Ensigns, Jacks, and Pendants, which, according to Ancient Usage, have been appointed as a Distinction for Our Ships, and many times thinking to evade the Punishment due for the same, have Worn Flags, Jacks, and Pendants, in Shape and Mixture of Colours so little Different from the said Ensign, as not without Difficulty to be Distinguished therefrom, which hath been found attended with manifold Inconveniencies: For the Evading of the same for the future, We do therefore, with the Advice of our Privy Council, hereby strictly Charge and Command all our Subjects whatsoever, That they do not Presume to Wear in any of our Ships or Vessels Our Jack, commonly called The Union Jack, nor any Pendants, nor any such Colours as are usually Born by Our Subjects, without particular Warrant for their so doing from Us, or Our High Admiral of Great Britain, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of High Admiral, for the Time being: And do hereby also strictly Command all Our Loving Subjects, that, without such Warrant, as aforesaid, they Presume not to Wear on Board their Ships or Vessels any Flags, Jacks, Pendants, or Colours, made in Imitation of the said Ensign, or any Kind of Pendant whatsoever, or any other Ensign than the Ensign Described on the Side or Margent hereof, which shall be Worn as a Canton at the upper Corner thereof next the Staff; and that such Ships and Vessels as shall be Employed for Our Service by the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Our Navy, the Principal Officers of Our Customs, the Commissioners for Victualling Our Navy, the Commissioners for Our Customs, and the Commissioners for Transportation for Our Service, relating particularly to those Offices, Our Royal Will and Pleasure is, That all such Ships as have Commissions of Letters of Mart or Reprizals, shall besides the Colours or Ensign hereby Appointed to be Worn by Merchant Ships, Wear a Red Jack with a Union Jack described in a Canton at the upper Corner thereof next the Staff; and that such Ships and Vessels as shall be Employed for Our Service by the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Our Navy, the Principal Officers of Our Customs, the Commissioners for Victualling Our Navy, the Commissioners for Our Customs, and the Commissioners for Transportation for Our Service, relating particularly to those Offices, shall Wear a Red Jack with a Union Jack in a Canton at the upper Corner thereof next the Staff, as aforesaid, and in the other Part of the said Jack shall be Described the Seal used in such of the respective Offices aforesaid, by which the said Ships and Vessels shall be Employed. And We do hereby strictly Charge and Command, That none of Our Loving Subjects do Presume to Wear any of the said Distinction-Jacks, unless they shall have Commissions of Letters of Mart or Reprizals, or be Employed in Our Service by any of the before-mentioned Offices. And We hereby strictly Charge Our High Admiral, and Commissioners for Executing the Office of High Admiral, the Governors of Our Ports and Castles, the Officers of Our Customs, and the Commanders or Officers of any of Our Ships, for the Time being, upon their Meeting with, or otherwise Offending any Ships or Vessels belonging to any of Our Subjects, Neg-

lecting to Wear the Ensign hereby Appointed to be Born, as aforesaid, or Wearing any Flag, Pendant, Jack, or Ensign, contrary hereunto, whether at Sea, or in Port, not only to Seize, or cause any such Flag, Pendant, Jack, or Ensign, Worn contrary to our Royal Will and Pleasure herein Expressed, to be forthwith Seized, but also to Return the Names of such Ships and Vessels Neglecting to Wear the Ensign hereby Appointed, or Wearing any Flag, Pendant, Jack, or Ensign, contrary hereunto, together with the Names of their respective Masters or Commanders, unto Our High Admiral, or Commissioners for Executing the Office of High Admiral, or the Judge of Our High Court of Admiralty, for the Time being, to the end all Persons Offending may be duly Punished for the same. And We do hereby Command and Enjoin the Judge and Judges of Our High-Court of Admiralty, for the Time being, That they make strict Enquiry concerning all such Offenders, and cause them to be duly Punished; and all Vice-Admirals, and Judges of the Vice-Admiralties, are hereby also Required to Proceed in the like Manner within the several Ports and Places belonging to their respective Precincts. And Our further Pleasure is, That this Proclamation shall take Place according to the Times hereafter mentioned, viz. For all Ships in the Channel or British Seas, and in the North Sea, after Twelve Days from the Date of these Presents; and from the Mouth of the Channel unto Cape Saint Vincent, after Six Weeks from the Date of these Presents; and beyond the Cape, and on this side the Equinoctial Line, as well in the Ocean and Mediterranean, as elsewhere, after Ten Weeks from the Date of these Presents; and beyond the Line, after the Space of Eight Months from the Date of these Presents.

Given at Our Court at Windsor the Twenty eighth Day of July, In the Sixth Year of Our Reign.

G O D Save the QUEEN.

Windsor, August 7. The following Addresses from both Houses of Parliament in Ireland, having been transmitted by his Excellency the Earl of Pembroke, Lord Lieutenant of that Kingdom, were presented to Her Majesty by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Sunderland, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State.

Most Gracious Sovereign, We Your Majesty's most dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, do with all Humility congratulate the glorious Success of Your Majesty's Endeavours, for securing by Your Arms abroad the Liberties of Europe; and the Welfare of Your Subjects at home, by uniting Great Britain into One Body, under the same Protestant Succession, to the Throne of all Your Dominions.

We are sensible how effectual a Means that will prove to prevent the Attempts of Papists from disturbing the Quiet of Your Majesty's Empire, and more particularly of this Kingdom, that has been so often endangered by them.

May You go on, and extend Your Favour to all Your Subjects, till none are excluded from so great a Blessing, but such as by their own Frowardness, or Disaffection to the Publick Good, debar themselves from the general Advantages of Your Majesty's glorious Reign; and do hope Your Majesty's unparall'd Goodness; and Wisdom will conquer even those, and make them sensible of their true Interest.

We with Joy observe the Assurances of Your continued Affection to the Church, in putting us of this Kingdom on the same foot, as to Religion, with England, by obliging all Your Successors at their Coronation to take and subscribe an Oath to maintain and preserve inviolably the Settlement thereof in Doctrine, Worship, Discipline, and Government, as by Law Established in this Realm.

We with the same Gratitude acknowledge Your Majesty's tender Concern for our Temporal Happiness, manifested in so many Instances; particularly in Your choosing for our chief Governors those that have shewed greatest Regard for our Prosperity; and for this last signal Instance in sending his Excellency the Earl of Pembroke to be Your Lieutenant here; whose Integrity and Prudence in managing many great and different Trusts, have been so eminent, that they leave no room for us to doubt but that the like Success will attend his Government here, which has accompanied him in all his other Employments.

Your Majesty's putting this Kingdom into the Hands of one so able to execute Your gracious Intentions, is a fresh Evidence, that Your Majesty designs yet greater Favours for us.

We with loyal and cheerful Hearts promise Your Majesty, That, to the utmost of our Ability, we will contribute to carry on the Common Cause of Europe, in which Your Majesty is so eminently and happily engaged, and all other Your Majesty's pious and generous Undertakings; and that we will avoid with our greatest Care contending among ourselves about any other thing, but who shall be most zealous for Your Majesty's Service, and most earnest in our Prayers to God for the long Continuance of so great a Blessing, as we are convinced Your Majesty's Life is to the World.

To which Address Her Majesty was graciously pleased to return the following Answer:

ANNE R. HER Majesty returns their Lordships Her hearty Thanks for their Address; and is very sensible of their Zeal for Her's and the Publick Service: Her Majesty is also very well pleased with