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By the Lords Justices and Council of Ireland,

A P R O C L A M A T I O N.

John Armagh. Robt. Jocelyn, C.

WHEREAS it appears to us by several Examinations given in upon Oath, That Richard Simcocks, Master of the Ship called the Charming Sally of Galway, and Patrick Tierny, Part Owner of the said Ship, both of the Town of Galway, did, some time in the Month of June, One thousand seven hundred and forty two, receive on board the said Ship several Felons and others ordered for Transportation, to be by them transported into some of his Majesty's Plantations in America, but instead thereof, the said Richard Simcocks and Patrick Tierny carried the said Felons and Convicts to certain Parts of Europe, and there exposed them to Sale, and compelled them, to the Number of Forty Persons and upwards, to enlist as Soldiers in Foreign Service.

Now we the Lords Justices and Council, considering the dangerous Tendency of such Practices, being determined to put a Stop to Crimes of so heinous a Nature, and to bring the Actors therein to condign Punishment, do, by this our Proclamation publish and declare, That if any Person or Persons shall, within the Space of Six Months, apprehend the said Richard Simcocks and Patrick Tierny, or either of them, such Person or Persons so apprehending them or either of them, shall receive as a Reward, the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds Sterling, for each of the said Persons so apprehended.

And we do hereby strictly charge and command all Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs, and other Officers Civil and Military, and all other his Majesty's loving Subjects, that they use their utmost Endeavours to seize and apprehend the said Offenders and every of them.

Given at the Council Chamber in *Dublin*, the 6th Day of *June*, 1743.

Theo. Cashel, Ar. Meath, Southwell, Tho. Marlay, Fra. Burton, Lu. Gardiner.

God Save the King.

Brussels, August 1, N. S.

The following Placard, for the Performance of Quarantine, is just published here.

MARIA THERESA, by the Grace of God, Queen of Hungary and Bohemia, &c. Archduchess of Austria, Duchesses of Burgundy, Lothier, Brabant, Limbourg, Luxembourg, Geldres, Stiria, Carinthia, Carniola, &c. Countess of Flanders, Hainaut and Namur; Lady

of Mechlin, &c. Duchesses Consort of Lorraine and Bar; Grand Duchesses of Tuscany, &c. being informed that the Plague now rages with so much Violence in the City of Messina in Sicily, that there is Reason to apprehend that it may spread into the neighbouring Parts, as well in the Kingdom of Sicily as those of Naples contiguous thereto; and being desirous to take all possible Precautions for preserving our Low Countries from this Calamity, we have by the Advice of those of our Privy Council, (and at the Instance of our most Dear and Trusty the Count de Konigsfegg Erps, Marquis of Boisschat, our Privy Counsellor of State, Vice-President of our Supreme Council of our Low Countries, Great Master of the Court of the most Serene Archduchess Maria Anne of Austria, and Minister Plenipotentiary for the Government of all our said Low Countries, &c. in the Absence of our most dear and right well-beloved Brother-in-Law the most Serene Prince Charles of Lorraine and Bar, our Lieutenant-Governor and Captain-General of our aforesaid Low Countries) prohibited and forbidden, and do by these Presents prohibit and forbid the Entry of all Vessels and Ships, without Distinction, of what Nation soever they may be, and even of our own Subjects, as well of these Low Countries, as of others within our Dominions, laden or not laden, coming from the Ports of the Kingdoms of Sicily and Naples, into the Ports and Harbours of our Dominions.

And to prevent all Mistakes, we do command the Masters of Sloops, posted at the Entrances of our said Ports and Harbours, that, as soon as any Vessel, Ship, or other Imbarkation, shall come in Sight, they go out to meet the same, keeping to Windward if it be possible, and demand from whence the Vessel is, and from whence it cometh; and in case that it cometh from the Ports of the Kingdoms of Sicily or Naples, they shall give Notice to the Captain or Master of the said Vessel by a speaking Trumpet, keeping at as great a Distance as possible from the said Vessel or her Boat, to bear off immediately, and acquaint him, that in Case he approaches, he shall be sunk; and at the same Time the said Masters of the Sloops shall hang out a Red Flag, to serve as a Signal to the Governors and Commanders of our said Ports, that the said Ship or Vessel cometh from one of the said Ports of the two Sicilies.

And as to the Vessels, of what Nation soever they may be, even of our Subjects, coming from Ports in the Mediterranean or the Adriatick Sea, without Distinction, under whatever Dominion the said Ports may be, they shall be obliged to perform a Quarantine of Forty Days, in the Places which shall be appointed them for that Purpose

