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From Tuesday January 13, to Saturday January 17, 1756.

AT the Court at St. James's, the 18th Day of December 1755.

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by His Majesty's Proclamation, bearing Date the Eleventh Day of November last, "For recalling and prohibiting Seamen from serving Foreign Princes and States; for giving Encouragement to Seamen and Able-bodied Landmen, to enter themselves on Board His Majesty's Ships of War; for granting Rewards for discovering such Seamen as shall conceal themselves; and also for taking up all Stragglng Seamen;" His Majesty was graciously pleased to promise and declare, That the Bounties of Three Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years; and also that the Bounty of Thirty Shillings for every Able-bodied Landman, not above the Age of Thirty five, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, should be paid to every such Seaman and Landman respectively, who should, on or before the Thirty first Day of this Instant December, voluntarily enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy, in the Manner directed by the said Proclamation; as likewise that the Rewards of Two Pounds for every Able, and Twenty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, should be paid to any Person who should, on or before the said Thirty first Day of this Instant, discover any Seaman, or Seamen, who should conceal themselves, so that such Seaman, or Seamen, should be taken for His Majesty's Service: And whereas the Time limited for paying the said Bounties and Rewards is now near expiring; and it being judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, that the same should be continued for some longer Time; His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, doth therefore order,

and it is hereby accordingly ordered, That the Time limited by the said Proclamation, for Payment of the said Bounties and Rewards, be prolonged and extended from the said Thirty First Day of this Instant December, to the Thirty First Day of January next inclusive. And that the said respective Bounties and Rewards be continued to be paid by the Persons, and at the Times, directed by His Majesty's aforesaid Proclamation.

W. Sharpe.

Madrid, Dec. 29. The 18th Instant being her Catholick Majesty's Name-Day, was celebrated at Court, with the usual Ceremonies, but there was no Opera in the Evening, as this Diversion has been suspended, since the Earthquake that was felt here and in Portugal the 1st of November. His Catholick Majesty, in Honour of the Day, disposed of some Military Employments, and of some Benefices in the Military Orders to several Officers of Distinction. Advice has been received by an Express from Cadiz, that on the 16th Instant had arrived in that Port the Register Ship the Purissima Conception from Vera Cruz, with near two Millions of Dollars in Specie, and other valuable Effects.

St. James's, January 16.

This Day M. Michell, lately Secretary d' Ambassade, now charg'd with the Affairs of the King of Prussia, had his first private Audience of His Majesty, to present his Letters of Credence in that Character; to which he was introduced by the Right Hon. the Earl of Holderness, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and conducted by Sir Clement Cottrell Dormer, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies.

Whitehall, January 17.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint his Grace William Duke of Devonshire to be Lieutenant, and Custos Rotulorum, of and in the County of Derby, in the room of the Duke of Devonshire his Father, deceased.

[Price Two-Pence.]

Whitehall,