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From Tuesday December 14, to Saturday December 18, 1756.

AT the Court at St. James's the 15th Day of December, 1756.

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HIS Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to declare his Grace John Duke of Bedford, Lieutenant General and General Governor of His Majesty's Kingdom of Ireland.

His Majesty having been pleased to appoint his Grace William Duke of Devonshire to be Lord Lieutenant of the County of Derby, his Grace this Day took the Oaths appointed to be taken thereupon, instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

This Day the Right Honourable Hugh Viscount Falmouth was, by His Majesty's Command, sworn of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

By the KING,

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

For a General F A S T.

G E O R G E R.

WE, taking into Our most serious Consideration the just and necessary War in which we are engaged with the French King, and putting Our Trust in Almighty God, that He will vouchsafe a special Blessing on Our Arms both by Sea and Land, have resolved, and do, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, hereby Command, That a publick Fast and Humiliation be observed throughout that Part of Our Kingdom of Great Britain called England, Our Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, upon Friday the Eleventh Day of February next; that so both We and Our

People may humble Ourselves before Almighty God, in order to obtain Pardon of Our Sins; and may, in the most devout and solemn Manner, send up Our Prayers and Supplications to the Divine Majesty, for averting those heavy Judgements, which Our manifold Sins and Provocations have most justly deserved; and imploring His Blessing and Assistance on Our Arms, and for restoring and perpetuating Peace, Safety, and Prosperity to Us, and Our Kingdoms: And We do strictly Charge and Command, That the said publick Fast be reverently and devoutly observed by all Our loving Subjects in England; Our Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, as they tender the Favour of Almighty God, and would avoid His Wrath and Indignation; and upon Pain of such Punishment, as we may justly inflict on all such as contemn and neglect the Performance of so religious and necessary a Duty. And for the better and more orderly solemnizing the same, We have given Directions to the most Reverend the Archbishops, and the Right Reverend the Bishops of England, to compose a Form of Prayer: suitable to this Occasion, to be used in all Churches, Chapels, and Places of Publick Worship; and to take Care the same be timely dispersed throughout their respective Dioceses.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Fifteenth Day of December, 1756, in the Thirtieth Year of Our Reign.

G O D Save the KING.

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