

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 Scotland, on Thursday the Tenth 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 Scotland, 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. Our Will is therefore, and We Charge, That incontinent this Our Proclamation seen, ye pass to the Market Cross of Edinburgh, and all other Places needful, and there, in Our Name and Authority, make Publication hereof, that none pretend Ignorance. And Our Will and Pleasure is, That Our Solicitor do cause printed Copies hereof to be sent to the Sheriffs of the several Shires, Stewarts of Stewarties, and Bailiffs of Regalities, and their Clerks, whom We ordain to see the same published; and We appoint them to send Doubles hereof to the several Paroch Kirks within their Bounds; that upon the Lord's Day immediately preceding the Day above-mentioned, the same may be published and read from the Pulpits, immediately after Divine Service.

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 **K I N G**.

**H**IS Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to order, That a like Fast should be observed throughout His Kingdom of Ireland upon Friday the Eleventh Day of February next, being the Day appointed for the Fast in England. And to that End His Majesty hath thought proper to direct the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to cause a Proclamation to be forthwith published in that Kingdom.

*Westminster, December 18.*

This Day, the Lords being met, a Message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Honourable Sir Henry Bellenden, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that, *The Lords, authorized by Virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to the two undermentioned Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the imme-*

*mediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said two Publick Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to,*

*An Act to make Provision for the Quartering the Foreign Troops in His Majesty's Service now in this Kingdom.*

*An Act to prohibit, for a Time to be limited, the Exportation of Corn, Malt, Meal, Flower, Bread, Biscuit, and Starch.*

*Turin, Dec. 1.* On the 25th of last Month his Sardinian Majesty and the rest of the Royal Family returned from the Venerie to this City in perfect Health.

Whitehall, December 11, 1756.

*Whereas it has been represented to the King, that on Sunday the 10th Day of October last, as the Boulton Tender was then lying in Hoyleake-Road within the Port of Liverpoole, and having on Board a great Number of Seamen for his Majesty's Service, a sudden Mutiny was raised on Board the said Tender by four of the said Seamen, viz. Henry Gillam, Irwin Jackson, Henry Taylor, and William Ellison, who killed one James Molyson, the Mate of the said Tender, and also encouraged many of the said Seamen to desert, and run away from His Majesty's Service; as they accordingly did to the Number of Thirty Eight; His Majesty, for the apprehending and bringing to Justice the abovenamed Persons, concerned in the said Mutiny, and in the Murder of the said Molyson, is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any of the Seamen that deserted as aforesaid, who shall discover, and cause the said Henry Gillam, Irwin Jackson, Henry Taylor, and William Ellison, or any of them, to be apprehended, so as he, or they, may be brought to Justice.*

**W. PITT.**

*And as a farther Encouragement, my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby promise, that any Person, or Persons, who shall apprehend the said Henry Gillam, Irwin Jackson, Henry Taylor, and William Ellison, or any, or either of them, so as they, or he, be convicted of the said Murder, shall be entitled to a Reward of Fifty Pounds for each of the Offenders who shall be convicted thereof; to be paid immediately after such respective Conviction or Convictions.*

**J. Cleveland.**

General Post-Office, December 12, 1756.

*Whereas the Post-Boy, carrying the Worcester Mail, from hence to Southall, was, this Morning, between the Hours of Four and Five of the Clock, attacked and robbed on the Road near Shepherds Bush, by a Foot Pad, who laid hold of the Bridle of the Post-Boy's Horse, and bid him dismount, and afterwards led the said Horse into a Lane near the great Road, and from thence into a Field adjoining, and there near to a Hay Rick took off the Mail from the Horse, opened it, and afterwards the Letters contained in the following Bags, viz. Campden, Chipping-Norton, Eversham, Burford, Whitney, Woodstock, Oxford, Ludlow, Bromyard, Worcester, Thame, Southall, Gerrard's Cross, Uxbridge, High Wickham, and Beaconsfield.*

*N. B. The following Bags in the said Mail were unopened*