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AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 9th Day of *March*, 1759.

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS His Majesty was pleased, by His Order in Council of the 20th of February last, to signify His Royal Pleasure, that the Bounties of Three Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman and Able Bodied Landman, fit for His Majesty's Service, should be continued to be paid to all such who should voluntarily enter themselves on Board any of His Ships of War, on or before the 21st Day of April next; and that the said Bounties should be paid to them respectively, immediately after their first Muster on Board the Ships into which they should so enter—And whereas since the Issuing the aforementioned Order, His Majesty hath been given to understand, that there are at this Time dispersed in various Parts of the Kingdom, great Numbers of Seamen and Seafaring Men, many of whom may be inclined to enter into the Service, and reap the Benefit of His Majesty's said Bounties, provided that the Justices of the Peace, or other Magistrates (near to whom the said Seamen may reside) were authorized and directed to receive them, and to cause them to be conducted to any of the Ships of War;—His Majesty hath therefore been pleased, with the Advice of His Privy-Council, to Require and Command all the Justices of the Peace, and Mayors of Cities and Towns throughout the Kingdom of England and Wales, and likewise the Provosts of Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Aberdeen in Scotland, to receive all such Seamen and Seafaring Men, who shall appear before them, and offer to enter as Volunteers, in Case they are of Health and Ability fit for His Majesty's Service, and not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, and to grant to each Seaman a Certificate of such his voluntary Offer, and to cause them to be conducted, by proper Persons, to some Sea Officer employed in raising Men on Shore, or to the nearest Sea Port Town, in order to be put on Board any of His Majesty's Ships of War, which Sea Officer on Shore, or the Captains of such Ships, are directed to pay to every such

Seaman, after his being so put on Board (upon producing the Certificate aforementioned) the said Bounties of Three Pounds to every able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings for every ordinary Seaman;—And to the End that His Majesty's Directions given herein may be made known to all Persons concerned, His Majesty has therefore ordered, that the same should be published in the London Gazette.

W. Sharpe.

Rome, Feb. 17. The Roman Catholick Ecclesiasticks, in the States possessed by the King of Prussia, have acquainted the Pope, that His Prussian Majesty has caused an Edict to be published, requiring them to pay a Tax of Ten per Cent. on their Revenues, in the same Manner as is exacted by the Empress Queen in her Dominions, in Consequence of a Bull which the Pope has granted to her Imperial Majesty for that Purpose. The King of Portugal has requested the Pope to take upon himself the Chastising of the Clergy under Arrest, that are concerned in the late Conspiracy against his Person, but nothing has been determined as yet on this Subject. The Neapolitan Troops are encamped on the Borders of the Ecclesiastical State, which has occasioned the Pope to order a sufficient Number of the Militia to be ready for any Service that may be required.

Florence, Feb. 24. On the 9th Instant, as the Snow Bethia, an English Vessel, was entering into the Port of Leghorn, she was attacked and taken by a small French Privateer, within the Jurisdiction of the Port; on which Account the Fortifications fired at the Frenchman, who is detained in that Port, with her Prize, till the Regency of Tuscany decides the Affair. On the 15th, 500 Recruits, drafted out of the Tuscan Battalions in Garrison at Leghorn, Porto-Ferraio, and this Capital, marched for Germany, to supply the Deficiency of the Tuscan Troops. On the 18th and 20th anchored at Leghorn, His Britannick Majesty's Ships the Glasgow, Lyme, Ambuscade, and Gibraltar, for Refreshments.

Admiralty-Office, March 24, 1759.

PURSUANT to an Act of Parliament passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, this is to give Notice to the Concerned, that Information hath been sent to this Office,
That

[Price Three-Pence.]

