

may have deserted from Our Ships to return to the Service, We do promise Our most gracious Pardon to all such as shall repair on Board any of Our Ships or Vessels by or before the Third Day of July next; and also to all such who have deserted, but are now belonging to some one of Our Ships, (in which Ship they are hereby permitted to continue.) And We do hereby further Declare, that such Seamen who have absented themselves from any of Our Ships, and shall render themselves on Board the same, or any other of Our Ships of War, by or before the Time abovementioned, shall not be prosecuted for such their Desertion; but that all such Deserters who shall not, on or before the said Third Day of July next, render themselves on Board some of Our Ships or Vessels of War, or who shall hereafter absent themselves from the Ships to which they belong, without Leave from the Commanding Officer, shall be tried at a Court Martial, and being found guilty of deserting at this Time, when their Country so much wants their Service, they shall be deemed unfit Objects of Our Royal Mercy, and shall suffer Death according to Law. And We do hereby Require and Command, all Our Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Bayliffs and Magistrates of the several Shires, Counties, Cities, Towns Corporate, and all other Places within Our Kingdom of Great Britain, to give the strictest Orders and Directions to the Constables, and other inferior Civil Officers, to take up all straggling Seamen, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, who shall be of Health and Ability fit for Our Service, and send them by careful Conductors to a Sea Officer employed in raising Men on Shore, or to the nearest Sea Port Town, in order to their being put on Board Our Ships of War: Which Conductors shall be paid by the said Sea Officer on Shore, or the Captains of such Ships to whom such Seamen shall be delivered, Twenty Shillings for each Seaman, and Six-pence a Mile for each Man, for every Mile they may respectively travel. And We do hereby likewise require and command all Our said Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Bayliffs and Magistrates, to receive all such Seamen and Seafaring Men, who shall appear before them, and offer to enter as Volunteers on or before the said Third Day of July next, in case they are of Health and Ability fit for Our 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 in like Manner and with the same Allowances as above directed with respect to straggling Seamen; and the Sea Officer on Shore, or the Captains of such Ships, to whom such Volunteer Seamen shall be delivered, shall pay to every such Seaman, after his being so put on Board, (upon producing the Certificate abovementioned) the Bounties of FIVE POUNDS to every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings to every Ordinary Seaman.

Given at Our Court at *Kensington*, the Fifteenth Day of May, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Nine, in the Thirty Second Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

The following Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Commonalty of the City of York, has been presented to His Majesty by G. F. Lane, Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Earl of Rochfort, Groom of the Stole to His Majesty: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Commonalty of the City of York, in Common-Council assembled.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

AMIDST the General Joy of all Your dutiful and loyal Subjects, we beg your Majesty's Acceptance of our hearty Congratulations on so happy and interesting an Occasion, as that of your Royal Grandson the Prince of Wales having attained his Age of One and Twenty Years.

The Duty and Gratitude we owe to your Majesty, and the Blessings we enjoy under your auspicious Reign, are more than sufficient to indear your Royal Off-spring to your People; and our Zeal for those Civil and Religious Rights, of which you are the glorious Patron and Support, fixes our warmest Affections on that amiable Prince, from whose personal Virtues, trained by your Example, we derive the most pleasing Hopes of lasting Prosperity.

If we reflect upon the Dangers from which Providence hath hitherto rescued the whole Protestant Cause, by the Wisdom of your Majesty's Councils and the Terror of your Arms, we can never be sufficiently thankful for the Preservation of your Sacred Life, and the Prospect of so happy a Succession in your Illustrious House. Sensible of the Value and Importance of these Blessings, we are fired with the utmost Indignation at the Threats and Malice of your Enemies, which, we trust, are Vain and Impotent, when opposed to the Loyalty and Spirit of a free People, united in the Cause of Religion and Liberty.

May your Majesty's paternal Cares for the Safety of your People, and the Vindication of their just Rights, be rewarded, in your own Time, by a safe and honourable Peace; and may his Royal Highness, for a long Succession of Years, enjoy the Felicity due to his princely Virtues, and, in Imitation of your Majesty, acquire that true Glory which results from doing Good to Mankind.

*Admiralty Office, June 25, 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 has been sent to this Office, That on the 13th Day of this Instant, the Ship *Eerst-Edele*, *Adriaan Sap*, Master, of *Middleburgh*, of the Burthen of about 160 Tons, and bound from *Surinam* to *Middleburgh*, laden with Sugar and Coffee, was stranded at *Hurst Castle*, near the Isle of *Wight* in the County of *Southampton*.

*J. Cleveland.*