



By His Excellency
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Captain General, GOVERNOR, and Commander in Chief,
in and over His MAJESTY's Province of New-Hampshire in New-England,
And VICE ADMIRAL of the same, &c.

A PROCLAMATION for a General FAST.

INASMUCH as every Mercy we stand in Need of, or hope to receive, depends upon the kind Providence of the ALMIGHTY, 'tis our indispenfible Duty, to humble ourfelves before Him, to beg the Forgiveness of our Repeated Transgressions, to implore his kind Protection, and the benevolent Grant of fuch Mercies as we may stand in Need of, particularly, in the Course of the present Year, and that we may have an Opportunity of performing this our bounden Duty in the most public and solemn Manner;

IHAVE tho't fit, by and with the Advice of his MAJESTY'S COUNCIL, to Order and Appoint Wednesday the Twenty First Day of this Instant *May*, to be observed and kept as a Day of Fasting and Prayer throughout this Province, hereby Exhorting both Ministers and People to assemble and solemnize the same, by devoting a reasonable Part of said Day to the public Worship of Almighty GOD, in sincerely repenting of our past Iniquities, and ardently imploring his Forgiveness of them, and humbly Relying on his most gracious Protection for the future.

That he would shower down his Blessings on the Kingdom of *Great-Britain*, and the Dominions thereof.

That he would extend his Benevolence to our Sovereign Lord King *GEORGE* the Third, in granting him a long, prosperous, peaceable and happy Reign over all his Subjects.

That he would be graciously pleased to sanctify to his Majesty, and the whole Nation, the Loss they have sustained in the late Deaths of their Royal Highnesses the Duke of *CUMBERLAND*, and Prince *FREDRICK WILLIAM*.

That he would be pleased to bless and preserve our gracious Queen *CHARLOTTE*, their Royal Highnesses *GEORGE* Prince of Wales, the Princess Dowager of Wales, the Princes and all the Royal Family.

That we may enjoy the happy Fruits of the present general Peace, without any Murmuring or Repining in any Part of His Majesty's Dominions.

That we may be favour'd with the Blessings flowing from a suitable Seed Time and plentiful Harvest.

That the Administration of this Government may be under the benign Influence and Guidance of divine Providence.

That we may be preserved from epidemical and contagious Distempers.

That the everlasting Gospel of *JESUS CHRIST* may prevail and flourish throughout all the Earth. And all servile Labour and Recreations are strictly forbidden on said Day.

Given at Portsmouth, at Arms, this 6th Day of *May*, in the Sixth Year of the Reign of our most gracious Sovereign Lord *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c. &c. 1706.

By His EXCELLENCY'S Command,
With Advice of Council.

B. WENTWORTH.

THEODORE ATKINSON, Jun^r Secretary.

God save the KING.