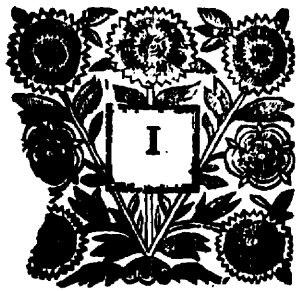




By His EXCELLENCY
 James Burnet, Esq;

Captain General and GOVERNOUR in Chief in and over His Majesties
 Province of the *Massachusetts-Bay* in *New-England.*

A PROCLAMATION for a General Thanksgiving.



IN Consideration of the many Undeserved Blessings, which it hath pleased Almighty GOD of His great Goodness to confer on us in the Course of this Year, more especially, In Preserving the Sacred Person of Our Sovereign Lord the KING, Our Most Gracious QUEEN, the Royal Issue, and the rest of the Royal Family, in giving Success to His Majesties Councils, for continuing the PEACE of Europe, in protecting the Government of this Province, and in preserving to us Peace, and the Enjoyment of Our most valuable Privileges, Civil and Religious, in granting us so good a Measure of HEALTH, and giving us such a Plentiful HARVEST, and in making Our Merchandize and Fishery to prosper, and defending them from the Violence of Merciless Pirates, with Manifold other Unmerited Favours. All which lay us under the deepest Obligations of Gratitude & Obedience to Our Most Bountiful BENEFACTOR:

I have therefore thought fit, with the Advice of His Majesties Council, and at the Desire of the Representatives in the present Session, to Order & Appoint, That Thursday the Seventh of November next, be solemnly Observed as a Day of Publick THANKSGIVING throughout this Province, earnestly exhorting both Ministers and People in their respective Assemblies to Offer up their most Unfeigned THANKS to Our Most Gracious GOD, the Author of all Our Blessings, with their fervent PRAYERS, That We may Fear the LORD and His Goodness, and Walk worthy of Him. And all Servile Labour is Forbidden on the said Day.

Given at the Council Chamber in *Boston* the Fifteenth day of *October* 1728. In the Second Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD of *Great Britain, France and Ireland,* KING, Defender of the Faith, &c.

By Command of His Excellency,
 the Governour, with the Advice
 of His Majesties Council,
 Josiah Willard Secr.

W. BURNET.

GOD save the King.