

State of New-Hampshire.

A P P R O C L A M A T I O N

For a day of Public Thanksgiving and Praise.

BY THE GOVERNOR.

We are once more permitted to witness the return of that season of the year, a particular part of which has been consecrated by a Christian people for the due and public expression of gratitude to the "*Author of every good*" for the manifestations of his loving kindness.

In conformity with this approved custom of our fathers, sanctioned as it is by the best feelings of the heart, *I have, with advice of Council, appointed THURSDAY, the 22nd day of December next, to be observed throughout this State as a day of Public Thanksgiving and Praise.* And I would recommend to the people of this State, [dispensing with their usual secular employments,] to *assemble* on that day at their accustomed places of public worship, and there to offer the sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving to Almighty God for all the mercies of his beneficent Providence during the past year; "visiting the earth—watering the ridges thereof, making it soft with showers"—so that "our pastures were clothed with flocks and our vallies also were covered with corn;" for the health which has so generally prevailed in our State; for the peace which has been continued within our borders; for the individual, civil and religious liberty, and for the just and equal rights *of our people*; for the means of education so generally enjoyed; for the deep sense of religious obligation so universally felt and acknowledged; *for the mission of his Son our REDEEMER, and for the way of human salvation.*

Given at the Council Chamber at Concord, this twenty-second day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two and the sixty-seventh of the Independence of the United States.

HENRY HUBBARD.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,
WITH ADVICE OF COUNCIL,

JOSIAH STEVENS, Jr, Secretary of State.