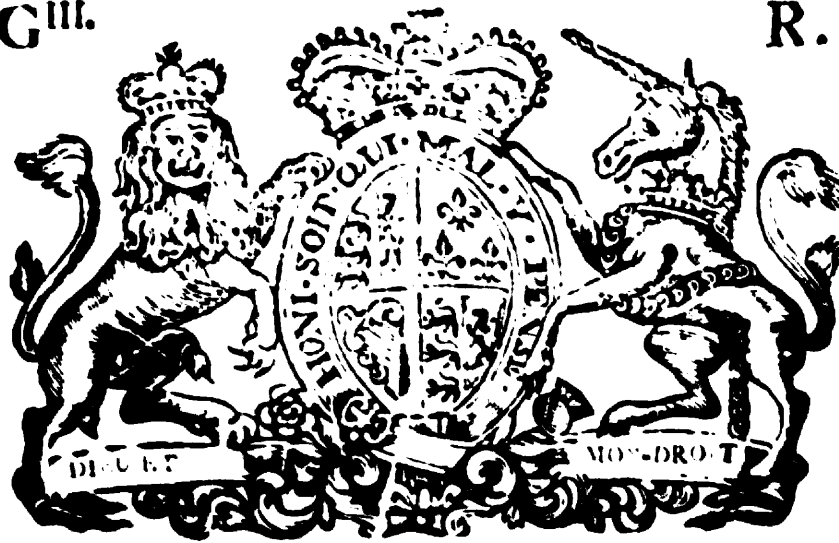


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BY THE HONORABLE

THOMAS HUTCHINSON, Esq;Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's
Province of the *Massachusetts-Bay* in *New-England*.**A P R O C L A M A T I O N .***For a Public Thanksgiving.*

FORASMUCH as it has pleased Almighty GOD, amidst the various Tokens of his Displeasure, the just Demerit of our Sins, to bestow upon us many great and undeserved Publick Mercies :

IHAVE therefore thought fit to appoint, and I do, with the Advice of his Majesty's Council, appoint Thursday the sixth Day of *December* next, to be observed as a Day of publick Thanksgiving throughout this Province, that Ministers and People in the several Assemblies for Religious Worship may offer up their united Praises to the Fountain of all Good, for the distinguishing Favours conferred upon us in the Course of the Year past ; more especially for graciously continuing the Life and Health of our Sovereign Lord the KING and His illustrious Family----for prospering and succeeding the Administration of His Majesty's Government, and his Endeavours to preserve Peace to His Dominions, and to prevent a more general War in Europe ;---- for any Marks of Divine Favour in the Administration of the Government of this Province----for the general Measure of Health which we enjoy----for seasonable Weather, and a plentiful Harvest.

AND I recommend to all who have the Interest of this People at Heart, to accompany their devout Praises with fervent Prayers to the great Governor of the World, that all our publick Counsels may, by infinite Wisdom, be guided to such Measures as shall promote our lasting Welfare and Tranquility----that those Judgments which we labour under may be removed----that those which we have reason to fear may be averted----that all Orders of Men may amend their Lives, and that we may be prepared suitably to receive and improve every Token of Divine Favour which it may please a merciful GOD to bestow upon us.

AND all servile Labour is forbidden on said Day.

GIVEN at the Council Chamber in Cambridge, the Thirtieth Day of October, 1770, in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c.

T. Hutchinson.

By His HONOR'S Command,
A. OLIVER, Sec'y.

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