

Lib. H. D. the Comodore in Virg^a And that also after the s^d Comodore is departed from Virg^a afores^d with the p^rsent ffeet, You do not clear any Vessell whatsoever untill you have further Orders so to do I am

Yo^r Loving ffriend
ffr : Nicholson

You are also hereby permitted to clear any Vessel before the departure of the Comodore which is yet uncertain upon giving such Security as afores^d Notwithstanding former Orders.

ffr : Nicholson

Drawn up by Order the following Proclamacōn for a publick thanksgiving, upon the Receipt of Some News lately brought from England; w^{ch} by his Ex^{ncy} was here produced & Read, Viz^t

By his Ex^{ncy} the Cap^t Gen^{ll} &^{ca} A Proclamation
ffor a Publick Thanksgiving.

Maryland ss

A Proclamacōn
for a Publick
Thanksgiving Whereas by intelligence Rēcd: from England of his Ma^{ty} safe Return from fflanders, and of a happy discovery and defeat of a late designed invasion by the ffrench upon one or more of his Ma^{ty} Kingdoms, And also by a Gazette of October the 22th in w^{ch} is his Ma^{ty} most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliam^t as also by the humble Address of the R^t hon^{ble} the House of Commons to the Kings most Excellent ma^{ty} Copyes of which I have herewith Sent you, which I do hereby in his Ma^{ty} Name Command you to publish with this Proclamacōn, by which I am informed of the happy Agreem^t betwixt his Sacred Ma^{ty} and his Parliam^t which great and Continued blessings on his Ma^{ty} Royall p^rson and Kingdoms do call for our publick and solemn acknowledgm^{ts} I have therefore thought fit (by Advice of his Ma^{ty} hon^{ble} Councill) to issue this my Proclamacōn hereby appointing and Commanding, that a Gen^{ll} Thanksgiving to Almighty God for these his mercys be observed by all his Ma^{ty} Loving Subjects within this Province, on the 13th of May next; and to implore God Almighty's protection on his Ma^{ty} Royall p^rson, and Victorious Success to his Armies and ffleets, And that the Same may be more solemnly perform'd I have (by Advice afores^d) thought fit to order that the Prov^{ll} Court be further Adjourn'd and put off untill the s^d 13th of May (Supposing also that the long Stay of the ffeet through meanes of the hardness of this last winter may be inconvenient

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