

sion issued to the Hon'ble Robert Hanson Harrison, Alexander C
Hanson, and Robert Goldsborough Jr Esquires Judges of the General
Court.—

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In obedience to the Recommendation of Congress the following
Proclamation issued

In Council 20th January 1784.

By his Excellency William Paca Esq^r Governor of Maryland
A Proclamation

Whereas Definitive articles of Peace and Friendship between the
United States of America and his Britannic Majesty, were concluded
and signed at Paris on the third Day of September 1783, by the
Plenipotentiaries of the said United States and of his Said Britannic
Majesty, duly and respectively authorized for that purpose: which
Definitive Articles are in the words following:

“ In the name of the most holy and undivided Trinity.

“ It having pleased the Divine Providence to dispose the Hearts of
the most serene and most potent Prince George the third, by the Grace
of God king of Great Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of
the faith, Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburgh, arch-Treasurer and
Prince elector of the holy Roman Empire, &c and of the United States
of America, to forget all past misunderstandings and differences
that have unhappily interrupted the good Correspondence and Friend-
ship which they mutually wish to restore; and to establish such a
Beneficial and satisfactory intercourse between the two Countries
upon the ground of reciprocal advantages and mutual convenience,
as may promote and secure to both perpetual Peace and Harmony,
and having for this desirable end already laid the foundation of
Peace and reconciliation, by the Provisional articles, signed at Paris
on the 30th of November 1782, by the Commissioners empowered
on each part, which Articles were agreed to be inserted in and to con-
stitute the Treaty of Peace proposed to be concluded between the
Crown of Great Britain and the said United States, but which Treaty
was not to be concluded until Terms of peace should be agreed upon
between Great Britain and France, and his Britannic Majesty should
be ready to conclude such Treaty accordingly; and the Treaty be-
tween Great Britain and France having since been concluded, his
Britannic Majesty and the United States of America, in order to
carry into full effect the Provisional Articles abovementioned ac-
cording to the Tenor thereof, have constituted and appointed, that is
to say, his Britannic Majesty on his part, David Hartley, Esq^r mem-
ber of the Parliament of Great Britain; and the United States on
their part John Adams, Esq^r late Commissioner of the United States
of America at the Court of Versailles, late Delegate in Congress from
the State of Massachusetts, and chief Justice of the said State, and
Minister Plenipotentiary of the said United States to their High

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