

I do by these these words of his Majesty's letter
 Patent, published by Command all & singular his
 Majesty's good Subjects the Inhabitants of this Poor
 that they religiously set apart and observe Thursday
 the 17th of August next ensuing as a day of thank
 giving for such the Good mercy of Almighty God in
 pardoning so great a Sin & sinners

That that the said day & duty thereof maybe
 the more Religiously & devoutly observed upon this
 occasion. I do in his Majesty's name strictly Charge
 & will the several Ministers of the Respective Parishes
 in the several Counties within this Province to perform
 & come to church on that day and the several Parish
 Clergy to attend the said Service and duty & that they
 abstain from all Bodily Labours on that day as they
 will answer the contrary at their Peril & to the end
 that all Persons may have due notice thereof. I command
 the several Sheriffs to make publick this my Statu-
 tion & given under my hand & the Great Seal
 of this his Majesty's Province the 22 day of July
 in the 11 year of his Majesty's Reign &c. Amberg
 Jul 1699

M. A. Blakiston

God save the King

By his Excellency the Capt. Genl
 of the Province

Whose Captain Kidd Master of the Advent
 here guilty of New York together with divers other wicked
 & Profane Persons consorting with him on Board the
 said Ship have lately committed sundry notorious