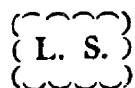


BY HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, ESQUIRE,



*Governor, Captain-General, and Commander in Chief of the State of Rhode-Island and Providence Plantations.*

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

**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of the State aforesaid, on the first day in November, instant, passed the following Resolution, to wit:

*“ IT is Resolved, That Thursday the Twenty-seventh day of November, instant, be and the same is hereby appointed and set apart as a day of Public Thanksgiving and Praise to Almighty GOD ; and that it be recommended to the people to assemble themselves on that day, at their usual places of public worship, publicly and solemnly to offer up their praises and thanksgivings to Almighty GOD, that he has again stayed the calamity of a destroying pestilence, with which it has pleased Him, in his providence, to afflict the people of the United States ; to acknowledge with gratitude the peculiar blessings with which the nation is favored, in the fruitfulness of the seasons, in the general prosperity of all classes, trades and occupations, and in the continuance of a mild, free and efficient government ; and humbly to beseech him, that he will be pleased to restore the salubrity of our climate ; that he will continue his blessing to the President, and Government of the United States, and preserve the nation in the enjoyment of freedom, order, and peace ; that he will enable the people to discern their true interests, and preserve them from the influence of foreign intrigue and domestic faction : That he will be pleased to bestow his blessing on all schools and seminaries of learning, and cause them to be the means of promoting morals, good order and religion ; and that he will impress the people with a sense of all their moral and social obligations, give them true repentance for their sins, enable them to correct and amend their lives, and avert from them the calamities of pestilence, discord and war.*

*It is further Voted and Resolved, That it be recommended to the people to abstain, on that day, from all servile labor and unbecoming recreation : And that His Excellency the Governor, be requested to issue his Proclamation accordingly :”*

*I DO therefore, pursuant to the above recited Resolution, issue this Proclamation, to make known the same, that the good people of this State may conform thereto, agreeably to the true intent and meaning thereof.*

*Given under my Hand and the Seal of the said State, at Providence, this third Day of November, in the Year of our LORD, one thousand eight hundred, and of Independence the twenty-fifth.*

ARTHUR FENNER.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S command,

SAMUEL EDDY, *Secretary.*