



BY HIS EXCELLENCY
WILLIAM A. BUCKINGHAM,
Governor of the State of Connecticut,
A PROCLAMATION.

RECOGNIZING the discord, anarchy and civil war, which still exist in our nation, as God's righteous judgments for the sins of the people, and knowing that He has revealed himself "as the Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering and abundant in goodness and truth," and that He will hear the cry of the humble, and show favor to the repentant; I have thought proper to appoint, and do hereby appoint, FRIDAY, THE TWENTY-FIFTH INSTANT, to be observed throughout this State, as a day of public Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer.

And I earnestly invite the people to assemble at their usual places of religious worship, and without any attempt to conceal "the wedge of gold," or to justify themselves before an omniscient God, to recognize the righteousness of His judgments, and, with penitential confession of their sins and true repentance, beseech Him to cause His anger towards us to cease, to restore unto us the blessings of public peace, and the joys of His salvation.

L. S. *Given under my hand and the Seal of the State, at the City of Norwich, this, the eighth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the eighty-eighth.*

WILLIAM A. BUCKINGHAM.

By His Excellency, the Governor,

J. HAMMOND TRUMBULL, *Secretary of State.*