

STATE OF VERMONT.

BY THE GOVERNOR.

PROCLAMATION,

For a Day of Fasting, Humiliation and Prayer.

DEVOUTLY recognizing our dependence upon God, and in accordance with a venerated custom, I do hereby appoint THURSDAY, THE EIGHTH DAY OF APRIL, next, as a day of FASTING, HUMILIATION AND PRAYER.

Let us, on that day, as a people, turn aside from our ordinary pursuits, and in humble contrition for our sins, seek the favor of Almighty God, that all our labors may be blessed with the plenteous fruits of His providence.

Let us come unitedly unto the throne of grace, seeking for the light, as revealed in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us invoke the Divine favor upon our beloved country, and upon all called to administer the government thereof, that they may have the "spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord."



Given under my hand and the seal of the State in the Executive Chamber at Rutland, this sixteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-third.

JOHN B. PAGE.

By the Governor,

S. E. BURNHAM,

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.