## Arthur Fenner, Esq,

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

## A PROCLAMATION.

THEREAS the GENERAL ASSEMBLY, at the last Session, passed the following Act, to wit

November 3, A. D. 1792.

"WHEREAS it is the Duty of all Men, with grateful Hearts, to offer up to Almighty GOD Thanksgiving and Praise, for his great and manifold Mercies:

"IT is therefore Voted and Refolved, That Thursday, the Twenty-ninth Day of this inst. November, be appointed to be observed as a Day of public THANKSGIVING to Almighty GOD, for all the Blessings bestowed upon us; and particularly for his so ordering and governing the Seasons of the Year, that there is Plenty of the Fruits of the Earth; for the Continuance of Peace and good Government; and for the general Advancement and Progress of Freedom, Learning, Commerce and Civilization, in the World: And that his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to issue a Proclamation agreeably to this Resolve, calling upon the Inhabitants of this State to assemble themselves together on that Day, in their usual Places of public Worship, for the Purpose aforesaid; and recommending to them to abstain from all unnecessary secular Labour and Diversions on that Day."

I HAVE THEREFORE thought fit to iffue this Proclamation, to make known the afore-recited Act, and to call upon and recommend to the Inhabitants of this State, that, abstaining from all unnecessary secular Labour and Diversions, they observe the said Day as a Day of public Thanksgiving to ALMIGHTY GOD, agreeably to the true Intent and Meaning of the said Act.

GIVEN under my Hand, at Providence, this Fifth Day of November, in the Year of our LORD One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Two, and of INDEPENDENCE the Seventeenth.

ARTHUR FENNER.

By his Excellency's Command, HENRY WARD, Sec'ry.

## GOD fave the UNITED STATES of America.