

Commonwealth of



Massachusetts.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

WILLIAM GASTON,

Governor:

A PROCLAMATION

FOR A DAY OF

PUBLIC THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE.

With the advice and consent of the Council, I hereby appoint THURSDAY, the 25th day of November current, as a day of Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for the abounding mercies and blessings with which he has filled the year now drawing to its close.

As we shall on that day, in accordance with an ancient and honored custom of our people, assemble in our places of public worship, meet at our tables, and gather around our firesides, let us, with devout gratitude and with hearts full of thanksgiving and praise, remember from whom all our blessings come; and as we render thanks for past and present mercies, let us invoke Almighty God to unite and save our country, to bless our inheritance, to continue to us, as individuals and as a nation, the benefactions of that Providence which has sustained and protected us so long and so abundantly, and to make us that "happy people" "whose God is the Lord."

Given at the Council Chamber, in Boston, this fifth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundredth.

WILLIAM GASTON.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, }
WITH THE ADVICE OF THE COUNCIL. }

OLIVER WARNER, Secretary.

God save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.