

## STATE OF VERMONT.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

## CORNELIUS P. VAN NESS,

GOVERNOR, CAPTAIN-GENERAL, AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF, IN AND OVER THE STATE OF VERMONT,

## A PROCLAMATION:

Another year will soon have passed away, and the people of this state are still favoured with the most signal mercies, and the most exalted privileges. To ALMIGHTY GOD, the author of every good and perfect gift, they are indebted for such inestimable blessings; and to him they are bound, by the most powerful considerations of gratitude, as well as by the most solemn obligations of religion, publickly to make their devout acknowledgments....

I HAVE therefore, at the request of the General Assembly, and with the concurrence of the Council, appointed THURSDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF DECEMBER next, to be observed as a day of publick THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE, throughout this state. And the people of this state are called upon to abstain from all unnecessary labour on that day, and to offer up to GOD, in a publick manner, suitable thanksgiving and praise, for all the mercies, spiritual and temporal, conferred upon them in the course of the year, and for all the privileges, civil and religious, which they have hitherto been permitted to enjoy; and to accompany their thanksgivings and praises with fervent prayers, that the LORD will graciously be pleased to continue to them his great and unmerited goodness for the time to come.

GIVEN under my hand, in Council Chamber, at Montpelier, this twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three; and in the forty-eighth year of the Independence of the United States.

C. P. VAN NESS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,

DANIEL KELLOGG, SECRETARY.