



By His EXCELLENCY

WILLIAM SHIRLEY, Esq;

Captain-General and Governor in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of the *Massachusetts-Bay*, in *New-England*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, and Major-General in His Majesty's Army.

A PROCLAMATION.



HEREAS the Indians of *Norridgewock*, *Arragouanock*, *Wewenock* and *St. John's* Tribes, and the Indians of the other Tribes inhabiting in the Eastern and Northern Parts of His Majesty's Territories of *New-England*, the *Penobscot* Tribe only excepted, have, contrary to their solemn Submission unto His Majesty long since made and frequently renewed, been guilty of the most perfidious, barbarous and inhuman Murders of divers of his Majesty's *English* Subjects; and have abstained from all Commerce and Correspondence with His Majesty's said Subjects for many Months past; and the said *Indians* have fully discovered an inimical, traitorous and rebellious Intention and Disposition;

I have therefore thought fit to issue this Proclamation, and to Declare the *Indians* of the *Norridgewock*, *Arragouanock*, *Wewenock* and *St. John's* Tribes, and the *Indians* of the other Tribes now or late inhabiting in the Eastern and Northern Parts of his Majesty's Territories of *New-England*, and in Alliance and Confederacy with the above-mentioned Tribes, the *Penobscots* only excepted, to be Enemies, Rebels and Traitors to his Most Sacred Majesty; And I do hereby require his Majesty's Subjects of this Province to embrace all Opportunities of pursuing, captivating, killing and destroying all and any of the aforesaid *Indians*, the *Penobscots* excepted.

AND WHEREAS the General Court of this Province have voted, That a Bounty or Encouragement be granted and allowed to be paid out of the Publick-Treasury to the marching Army that shall be employed for the Defence of the Eastern and Western Frontiers from the Twenty-fifth of this Month of *June* until the Twenty-fifth of *November* next;

I have thought fit to publish the same; and I do hereby promise, That there shall be paid out of the Province-Treasury to all and any of the said Forces, over and above their Bounty upon Enlistment, their Wages and Subsistence, the Premiums or Bounties following, viz.

For every Male Indian Prisoner above the Age of Twelve Years, that shall be taken and brought to *Boston*, Fifty Pounds.

For every Male Indian Scalp, brought in as Evidence of their being killed, Forty Pounds.

For every Female Indian Prisoner, taken and brought in as aforesaid, and for every Male Indian Prisoner under the Age of Twelve Years, taken and brought in as aforesaid, Twenty-five Pounds.

For every Scalp of such Female Indian or Male Indian under Twelve Years of Age, brought as Evidence of their being killed, as aforesaid, Twenty Pounds.

GIVEN under my Hand at *Boston*, in the Province aforesaid, this Twelfth Day of *June*, 1755, and in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *GEORGE the Second*, by the Grace of *GOD*, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c.

By His Excellency's Command,
J. WILLARD, Sec'y.

W. Shirley.

GOD Save the KING.

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the Honourable His Majesty's Council, 1755.



By His HONOUR

S P E N C E R P H I P S, Esq;

Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New-England

A P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS the Tribe of *Penobscot* Indians have repeatedly in a perfidious Manner acted contrary to their solemn Submission unto His Majesty long since made and frequently renewed;

I have therefore, at the desire of the house of representatives, with the advice of his Majesty's Council, thought fit to issue this proclamation, and to declare the *Penobscot* Tribe of Indians to be Enemies, Rebels and Traitors to his Majesty King George the Second: And I do hereby require his Majesty's Subjects of this province to embrace all Opportunities of pursuing, captivating, killing and destroying all and every of the aforesaid Indians.

AND WHERE AS the General Court of this Province have voted that a Bounty or Incouragement be grated and allowed to be paid out of the Publick Treasury, to the marching Forces that shall have been employed for the Defence of the *Eastern* and *Western* Frontiers, from the *First* to the *Twenty-fifth* of this Instant *November*;

I have thought fit to publish the same; and I do hereby promise, That there shall be paid out of the Province-Treasury to all and any of the laid forces, over and above their Bounty upon Fulfillment, their Wages and Subsistence, the Premiums or Bounty following, *viz.*

For every Male *Penobscot* Indian above the Age of Twelve Years, that shall be taken within the Time aforesaid and brought to *Boston*, *Fifty Pounds*.

For every Scalp of a Male *Penobscot* Indian above the Age aforesaid, brought in as Evidence of their being killed as aforesaid, *Forty Pounds*.

For every Female *Penobscot* Indian taken and brought in as aforesaid, and for every Male Indian Prisoner under the Age of Twelve Years, taken and brought in as aforesaid, *Twenty-five Pounds*.

For every Scalp of such Female Indian or Male Indian under the Age of Twelve Years, that shall be killed and brought in as Evidence of their being killed as aforesaid, *Twenty Pounds*.

Given at the Council-Chamber in Boston, this Third Day of November 1755, and in the Twenty-ninth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD of Great-Britain, France and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, etc

By His Honour's Command,

F. Willard, Secr. **S. Phips**

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