

By his Excellency

**WOODS ROGERS, Esq;**  
**GOVERNOUR of New-Province, &c.**

**A PROCLAMATION.**

Whereas John Rackum, George Featherstone, John Davis, Andrew Gibson, John Howell, Noah Patrick &c. and two Women, by Name; Ann Fullford alias Bonny, & Mary Read, did on the 22. of August last, combine together to enter on board, take, steal and run away with out of this Road of Providence, a Certain Sloop call'd the William, Burthen about 12 Tons, mounted with a great Gun, and 2 Small ones, also Ammunition, Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, and a Canoe, owned by and belonging to Capt. John Ham, and with the said Sloop did proceed to commit Robbery and Piracy upon the Boat and Effects of James Gohier Esq; on the South Side of this Island, also upon Capt. Isaac's Master of a Sloop riding at Berry-Islands in his Way from South-Carolina to this Port:

Wherefore there are to Publish and make known to all Persons whatsoever, that the said John Rackum and his said Company are hereby proclaimed Pirates and Enemies to the Crown of Great-Brittain, and are to be so treated and Deem'd by all his Majesty's Subjects.

Given at Nassau, this 5th of  
September, 1720.  
Sign'd WOODS. ROGERS.

New-York, October 3.

To His Excellency

**WILLIAM BURNETT, Esq;**

Captain General and Governour in Chief of the Province of New-York and New-Jersey, and the Territories depending on them in America, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c.

The Humble Addresss of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of this His Majesty's most Ancient City and Corporation of New-York, in the Province of New-York in America.

May it please your Excellency,

WE do with hearts full of Sincerity & Affection Congratulate your Excellency's Arrival in this your Government of New-York. And we do assure your Excellency that we take it to be a Manifest Demonstration of His Majesties most tender Affection and Care of His Subjects in these Parts, to have appointed a Person of your great Character, Prudence and other Eminent Virtues to Govern us, and that we will not only Support and Maintain with Lives and Fortunes, His Majesties Royal Person and Government, and the Succession as now by Law Established to the Utmost of our Power, but as a Testimony of our Duty, study and pursue the best Methods we can conceive, Cheerfully to Support your Excellency's Dignity in the Administration of your Government, so as to make the same to you Easy, Pleasant, and happy in all Respects.

We doubt not, but that as it is now both in your Power and Will to do his Good, you will Exert your self in a Considerable manner to make us a happy People, and that this City will Flourish in its Wealth, Buildings and Number of Inhabitants under your Administration, and therefore Humbly beg your Excellency will be favourably pleased to do us the Honour to become a Member of our Corporation, and partake of our Happiness.

That His Majesty's most Auspicious Reign may be attended with all Blessings, and the Succession Continued to his Royal Issue, throughout all Ages, and your Excellency be ever happy in your Government, ever be the Perseverent Prayers of

May it Please your Excellency,  
Your Excellency's most  
Dutiful & most Obedient Servants,

To His Excellency

**WILLIAM BURNETT, Esq;**

Captain General and Governour of the Provinces of New-York and New-Jersey, &c.

The Humble Addresss of the Rector, Church-Wardens, and Vestry of Trinity-Church, in the City of New-York in America.

May it please your Excellency,

WE the Rector, Church-Wardens, and Vestry of Trinity Church do appear before your Excellency with Sincere Joy, to Congratulate your safe and Happy Arrival to this your Government of New-York, Assuring your Excellency that we in our Respective Stations will Evidence our Affection and Duty to His Majesties Person and Government and to your Excellency appointed to Rule over us.

It is with Pleasure and Gratitude we Reflect on the Early Instances of His Majesties Paternal Care to the Established Church, at his first Accession to the Throne, and which he has been Graciously pleased to Continue to our Infant Church here, in your Excellency, whose Descent from an Eminent Prelate of our own Church, and your Excellency's Pious Education and Vertues, give us the greatest Expectations of Protection and Countenance in the Enjoyment of all our Religious Rights under your Auspicious Administration.

May Almighty GOD Direct and Prosper your Government for the Advancement of HIS Glory, and the Welfare of the Province. And may You, Excellent SIR, be blest with Health and Happiness in this World, and Finally Inherit Eternal Life, which are the Perseverent Prayers of,

Your Excellency's most  
Obedient, & Humble Servants.

Philadelphia,