

enacted, that "if any persons to the number of twelve, or
 "more, being unlawfully, riotously, and tumultuously assem-
 "bled together, to the disturbance of the Public Peace, at any
 "time after the last day of July, in the year of our Lord, one
 "thousand seven hundred and fifteen, and being required or
 "commanded by any one or more Justice or Justices of the
 "Peace, or by the Sheriff of the County, or his Under Sheriff,
 "or by the Mayor, Bailiff or Bailiffs, or other Head Officer, or
 "Justice of the Peace of any City, or Town Corporate, where
 "such Assembly shall be, by Proclamation, to be made in the
 "King's name, in the form in the said Act directed, to disperse
 "themselves and peaceably to depart to their habitations, or to
 "their lawful business, shall, to the number of twelve or more,
 "(notwithstanding such Proclamation made) unlawfully, riot-
 "ously and tumultuously remain or continue together by the
 "space of one hour after such command or request made by Pro-
 "clamation, that then such continuing together to the number of
 "twelve or more, after such command or request made by Pro-
 "clamation, shall be adjudged Felony without benefit of Clergy,
 "and the offenders therein shall be adjudged Felons, and shall
 "suffer death as in case of Felony, without benefit of Clergy."
 And it is in the said Act further enacted, that "the order and
 "form of the Proclamation which shall be made by the autho-
 "rity of the said Act shall be as hereafter followeth, (that is to
 "say):—That the Justice of the Peace, or other person autho-
 "rised by the said Act to make the said Proclamation, shall,
 "among the said Rioters, or as near to them as he can safely
 "come, with a loud voice command, or cause to be commanded,
 "silence to be while Proclamation is making; and after that,
 "shall openly and with a loud voice make, or cause to be made,
 "Proclamation in these words, or like in effect:—

Proclama-
 tion for
 Rioters to
 disperse.

"OUR SOVEREIGN LORD THE KING Chargeth and
 "Commandeth all persons being assembled im-
 "mediately to disperse themselves, and peace-
 "ably to depart to their habitations or to their
 "lawful business, upon the pains contained in
 "the Act made in the First Year of King
 "George, for preventing tumults and riotous
 "assemblies.—GOD SAVE THE KING."

"And every such Justice, and Justices of the Peace, Sheriff,
 "Under Sheriff, Mayor, Bailiff, and other Head Officer afore-