

By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION,

*For Dissolving the present Parliament and  
Declaring the Calling of another.*

VICTORIA, R.

**W**HEREAS We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, to dissolve this present Parliament, which stands prorogued to Thursday the fifth day of May next: We do for that end publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby dissolve the said Parliament accordingly; and the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for shires and burghs, of the House of Commons are discharged from their meeting and attendance on the said Thursday the fifth day of May next; and We, being desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people, and to have their advice in Parliament, do hereby make known to all Our loving subjects Our Royal will and pleasure to call a new Parliament: and do hereby further declare, that, with the advice of Our Privy Council, We have given order that Our Chancellor of that part of Our United Kingdom called Great Britain, and Our Chancellor of Ireland, do, respectively, upon notice thereof, forthwith issue out writs in due form, and according to law, for calling a new Parliament: and We do hereby also, by this Our Royal Proclamation under Our Great Seal of Our United Kingdom, require writs forthwith to be issued accordingly by Our said Chancellors respectively, for causing the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons, who are to serve in the said Parliament, to be duly returned to, and give their attendance in, Our said Parliament; which writs are to be returnable on Tuesday the thirty-first day of May next.

Given at Our Court at Windsor, this twenty-third day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and in the twenty-second year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

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A PROCLAMATION,

*In order to the Electing and Summoning the  
Sixteen Peers of Scotland.*

VICTORIA, R.

**W**HEREAS We have in Our Council thought fit to declare Our pleasure for summoning and holding a Parliament of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, on Tuesday the thirty-first day of May next ensuing the date hereof; in order, therefore, to the electing and summoning the Sixteen Peers of Scotland, who are to sit in the House of Peers in the said Parliament, We do, by the advice of Our Privy Council, issue forth this Our Royal Proclamation, strictly charging and commanding all the Peers of Scotland to assemble and meet at Holyrood-house, in Edinburgh, on Tuesday, the tenth day of May next, between the hours of twelve and two in the afternoon, to nominate and choose the Sixteen Peers, to sit and vote in the House of Peers in the said ensuing Parliament, by open election and plurality of voices of the Peers that shall be then present, and of the proxies of such as shall be

absent (such proxies being Peers, and producing a mandate in writing, duly signed before witnesses, and both the constituent and proxy being qualified according to law), and the Lord Clerk Register, or such two of the Principal Clerks of the Session as shall be appointed by him to officiate in his name, are hereby respectively required to attend such meeting, and to administer the oaths required by law to be taken there by the said Peers, and to take their votes; and immediately after such election made and duly examined, to certify the names of the Sixteen Peers so elected, and to sign and attest the same in the presence of the said Peers the Electors, and return such certificate into Our High Court of Chancery of Great Britain. And We do, by this Our Royal Proclamation, strictly command and require the Provost of Edinburgh, and all other the Magistrates of the said city, to take special care to preserve the peace thereof, during the time of the said election, and to prevent all manner of riots, tumults, disorders, and violence whatsoever. And We strictly charge and command that this Our Royal Proclamation be duly published at the Market-Cross at Edinburgh, and in all the county towns of Scotland, ten days, at least, before the time hereby appointed for the meeting of the said Peers to proceed to such election.

Witness Ourselves at Windsor, this twenty-third day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and in the twenty-second year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

**A**T the Court at Windsor, the 23rd day of April, 1859.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament holden in the fifth and sixth years of Her Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act to amend the law of copyright," it is among other things enacted, that it shall not be lawful for any person, not being the proprietor of the copyright, or some person authorized by him, to import into any port in the United Kingdom, or into any other part of the British dominions, for sale or hire, any printed book, first composed, or written, or printed and published in any part of the United Kingdom, wherein there shall be copyright, and reprinted in any country or place whatsoever out of the British dominions. And whereas by the Customs Consolidation Act, 1853, an Act of the eighth and ninth Victoria, chapter ninety-three, entitled "An Act to regulate the trade of the British Possessions abroad," was repealed; and by the Act now in recital, books wherein the copyright is subsisting, first composed, or written, or printed in the United Kingdom, and printed or reprinted in any other country, are absolutely prohibited to be imported into the British Possessions abroad; but it is thereby provided, that nothing therein contained shall be taken to prevent Her Majesty from exercising the power to suspend in certain cases such prohibition, vested in Her by the tenth and eleventh Victoria, chapter ninety-five, entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the protection in the colonies, of works entitled to copyright in the United Kingdom."

And whereas by the last recited Act it is enacted, that in case the legislature, or proper